## FOURTH SUNDAY OF PASCHA SUNDAY OF THE PARALYTIC

## **DIVINE LITURGY**

After Blessed is the kingdom sing Christ is risen (3).

**Troparion, Tone 3** Let the heavens be glad, let the earth rejoice,\* for the Lord has done a mighty deed with His arm.\* He trampled death by death. He became the first-born of the dead;\* He saved us from the abyss of Hades\* and granted great mercy to the world.

Glory...

**Kontakion, Tone 3** Lord, as of old You raised the Paralytic,\* lift my soul by Your divine presence,\* for by my many sins and foolish actions, I, too, am now afflicted and crippled.\* Raise me, that being saved I may cry to You: Glory to Your power, O merciful Christ.

Now...

**Kontakion, Tone 8** Though You descended into a tomb, O Immortal One,\* yet You destroyed the power of Hades;\* and You rose as victor, O Christ God,\* calling to the myrrh-bearing women: Rejoice!\* and giving peace to Your Apostles:\* You, who grant resurrection to the fallen.

**Prokeimenon, Tone 1** Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us\* as we have hoped in You. *verse:* Rejoice in the Lord, O you just; praise befits the righteous.

**Epistle** (Acts 9:32-42)

## Alleluia, Tone 5

verse: Of Your mercies, O Lord, I will sing forever; with my mouth I will proclaim Your truth from generation to generation.

verse: For You have said, "Mercy will be established forever."

Gospel (John 5:1-15)

Instead of It is truly right, we sing: The Angel cried out to the One full of Grace: O chaste Virgin, rejoice! And again I say, Rejoice! Your Son has risen from the tomb on the third day, and raised the dead. Let all people rejoice! Shine, Shine, O new Jerusalem! for the glory of the Lord has risen upon you! Exult now and be glad, O Sion! And you, O chaste Mother of God, take delight in the resurrection of your Son.

**Communion Hymn** Receive the Body of Christ;\* taste the fountain of immortality.\* Praise the Lord from the heavens;\* praise Him in the highest Alleluia. (3)

Instead of Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord, we sing: Christ is risen.

Instead of We have seen the true light we sing: Christ is risen.

Instead of May our lips be filled, we sing Christ is risen, thrice.

*Instead of Blessed be the name of the Lord we sing Christ is risen thrice.* 

After the priest sings: Glory to You, Christ God, the people sing: Christ is risen from the dead, trampling death by death, and to those in the tombs, giving life. Lord, have mercy, thrice. Give the blessing.

Then we sing Christ is risen, thrice. At the end the following is sung: And to us He granted life eternal, we bow down before His resurrection on the third day.