THE SUNDAY OF THE SAMARITAN WOMAN OCTOECHOS, TONE 4

DIVINE LITURGY

After Blessed is the kingdom we sing Christ is risen from the dead, trampling death by death, and to those in the tombs, giving life, thrice.

Troparion, Tone 4 - When the disciples of the Lord learned from the angel the glorious news of the resurrection and cast off the ancestral condemnation, they proudly told the apostles: "Death has been plundered! Christ our God is risen, granting to the world great mercy."

Troparion, Tone 8 - At the mid-point of the Feast, O Saviour, water my thirsty soul with the streams of true godliness; for You cried out to all: Let any who thirst, come to Me and drink. O Source of life, Christ our God, glory to You!

Glory...

Kontakion, Tone 8 - Drawn to the well by faith, the Samaritan woman beheld You, the Water of wisdom, and drinking abundantly of You, she inherited the heavenly Kingdom for ever, becoming everlastingly glorious.

Now...

Kontakion, Tone 4 - At the mid-point of the Feast according to the Law, Maker of all things and Master, You said to those present, O Christ God: Come, and draw the water of immortality. And so we fall before You crying out with faith: Grant us Your mercies, for You are the source of our life.

Prokeimenon, Tone 3

Sing to our God, sing; sing to our King, sing

verse: Clap your hands, all you nations; shout unto God with the voice of joy.

Epistle (Acts 11:19-26; 29-30)

Alleluia, Tone 4

verse: Poise yourself and advance in triumph and reign in the cause of truth, and meekness and justice.

verse: You have loved justice and hated iniquity.

Gospel (John 5:1-15)

Instead of It is truly right, we sing:

Virginity is alien to mothers and childbearing is foreign to virgins; yet in you, O Mother of God, both of them came together. Therefore, we and all the nations of the earth without ceasing magnify you.

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)

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.