

**Divine Liturgy Propers, March 9, 2008**  
**Fifth Sunday of the Great Fast**  
**The Forty Holy Martyrs of Sebaste**

**Hymn**



1. With joy we keep the ho - - - ly Fast  
 2. Now is the time ac - cep - - - ta - ble!  
 3. To God, the bless - ed Three - - - in - One,



And gath - er on the Lord's own Day  
 To - day, the day our Sav - ior calls!  
 Who made and saves and sanc - ti - - - fies,



That through His Word and Sac - - - ra - ment,  
 Let us cast off the weight of sin  
 All praise in heav - en now is sung,



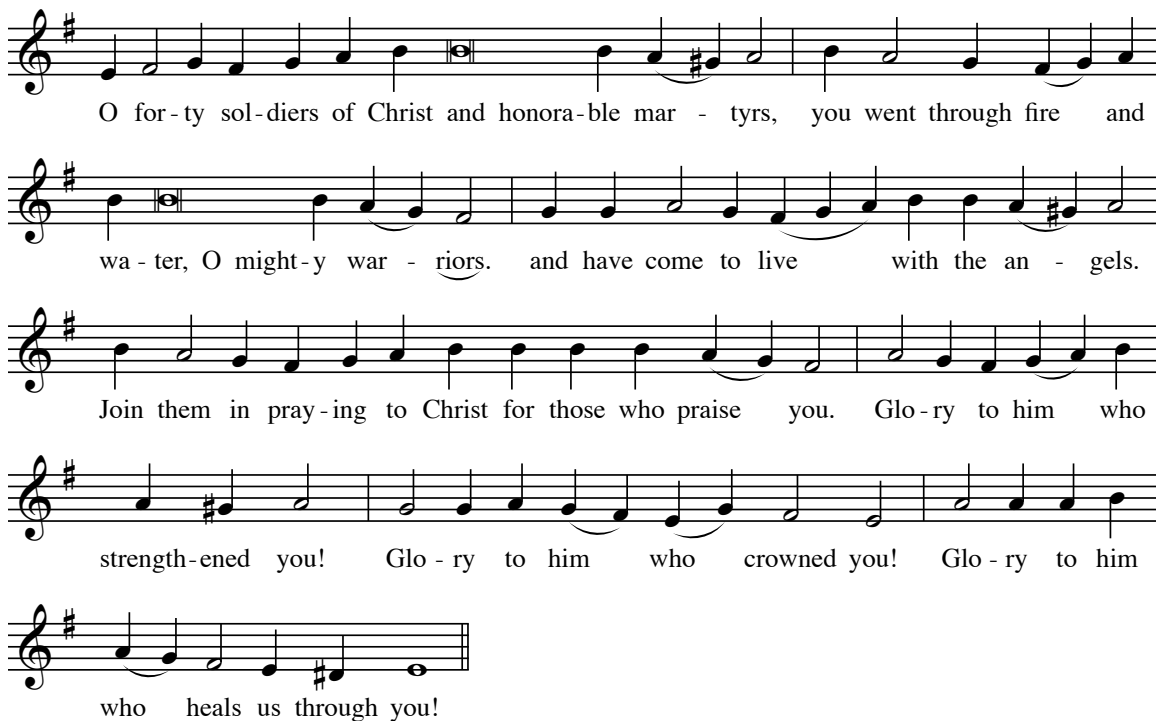
We may give thanks to Christ, the Way.  
 And rise a - gain from e - vil's falls.  
 While earth with thanks and love re - - - plies!

### Troparion of the Resurrection - *Tone 8*



You de - scend - ed from on high, O mer - ci - ful One. You ac - cept - ed  
bur - i - al for three days to free us from our pas - sions. O Lord, our  
Res - ur - rec - tion and our Life, glo - ry to you.

### Troparion of the Martyrs - *Tone 1*



O for - ty sol - diers of Christ and honora - ble mar - tyrs, you went through fire and  
wa - ter, O might - y war - riors. and have come to live with the an - gels.  
Join them in pray - ing to Christ for those who praise you. Glo - ry to him who  
strength - ened you! Glo - ry to him who crowned you! Glo - ry to him  
who heals us through you!

*Cantor*



Glo - ry to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir - it.

**Kontakion of the Martyrs - Tone 6**



You left the crowds of this world and joined the Master in heaven, O for - ty



mar - tyrs. Pass - ing through fire and wa - ter, you reaped glo - ry and honor in



heav - en, O bless - ed saints.

*Cantor*



Now and ev - er and for - ev - er. A - men.


**Kontakion of the Resurrection- Tone 8**



Ris - ing from the grave, you raised the dead. You lift - ed up Ad - am,



and Eve rejoices in your res - ur - rec - tion. The whole world cel - ebrates your



resurrec - tion from the dead, O Most Mer - ci - ful One.

**Prokeimenon - Tone 8 (Psalm 75:12,2):**

Make vows to the Lord your God, to the Lord your God and ful-fill them,  
and ful-fill them.

**Verse:** God is known in Judah; in Israel his name is great.

*Immediately after the verse:*

**Prokeimenon of the Martyrs - Tone 5 (Psalm 11:8,2):**

You, O Lord, will keep us and pre-serve us for - ev - - er,  
for - ev - - er from this gen-er - a - - - tion.

**Alleluia - Tone 8 (Psalm 94:1,2):**

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - - - ia! Al - - - le - lu - ia!

**Verse:** Come, let us sing joyfully to the Lord; let us acclaim God our Savior.

**Verse:** Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving, and let us joyfully sing psalms to him.

*After the second verse:*

**Alleluia of the Martyrs - Tone 4 (Psalm 66: 1-2)**

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - - - ia!

**Verse:** Cry out with joy to God, all the earth

O sing to the glory of his name, O render him glorious praise.

Communion Hymn for Sundays (Psalm 148:1):

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Praise the Lord, praise the Lord from the heav - ens, praise him in the



high - est, praise him in the high - est. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia!

*And for the Martyrs* (Psalm 32: 1)

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Re-joice in the Lord, you right-eous ones; praise from the up-right is fit-ting.



praise from the up - right is fit - ting. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia!