

Divine Liturgy Propers, April 23
SUNDAY OF THE MYRRH-BEARERS
Third Paschal Sunday

**THE HOLY AND VICTORIOUS GREAT MARTYR GEORGE THE
WONDERWORKER** whose glorious contest at Lydda in Palestine all the Churches from
East to West have celebrated since antiquity. (303)

*Immediately after the opening blessing, the following is sung once by the priest and then twice
by the faithful:*

Troparion of Pascha - Special Tone 5

Christ is ris - en from the dead! By death he tram - pled Death;
and to those in the tombs he grant - ed life.

Troparia of the Resurrection - Tone 2:

When you de - scend - ed to death, O Im - mor - tal Life, you de - stroyed
Ha - des by the brilliance of your di - vin - i - ty; and when you raised the dead
from the depths of the earth, all the heav - en - ly pow - ers cried out:
O Giv - er of Life, Christ our God, glo - - ry to you.

Troparia of the Holy Myrrh-bearers - Tone 2:

①
The no - ble Joseph took down your most pure bod - y from the cross.
He wrapped it in a clean shroud and with fra - grant spices laid it in bur - ial
in a new tomb. But you, O Lord, a - rose on the third day,
be - stow - ing great mer - cy up - on the world.

②
The an - gel standing by the tomb cried out to the myrrh - bear - ing wo - men:
Myrrh is fit - ting for the dead, but Christ has shown himself not
sub - ject to cor - rup - tion. So now cry out: The Lord is ris - en,
be - stow - ing great mer - cy up - on the world.

Troparion of the holy greatmartyr George - Tone 4:

You fought the good fight with faith, O George, mar - tyr of Christ. You con - vict - ed

Communion Hymn of Pascha: (music found on page 168-169)

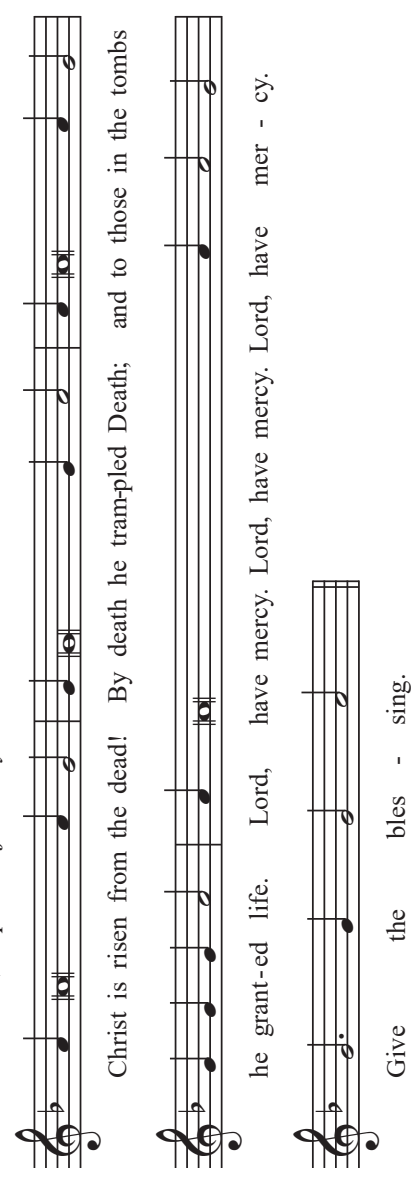
Receive the body of Christ; drink the source of immortality. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Communion Hymn of Sunday (Psalm 148:1): (music found on pages 78-81)

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise him in the highest. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The Paschal troparion "Christ is risen from the dead. * By death . . ." is sung once in place of "We have seen the true light; . . ."

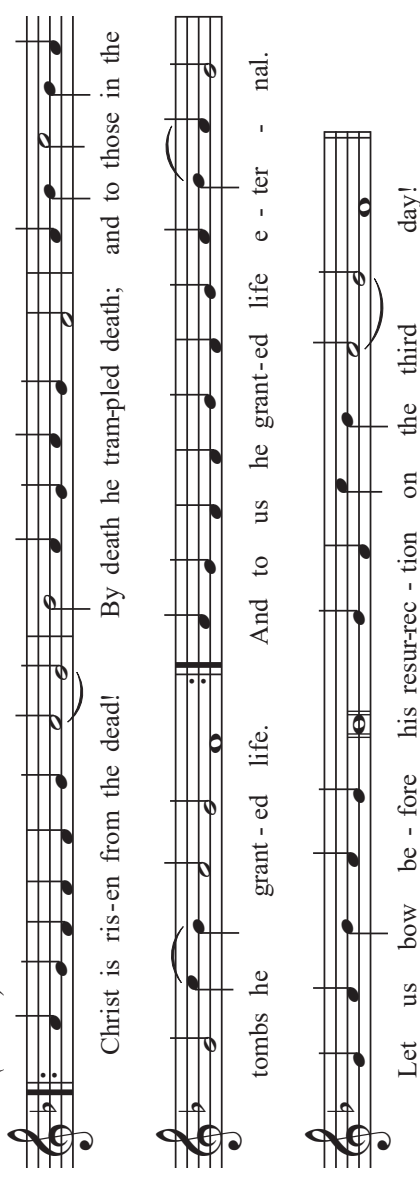
At the Dismissal, in place of "Glory to the Father...":



Christ is risen from the dead! By death he trampled Death; and to those in the tombs
he grant-ed life. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mer - cy.
Give the bles - sing.

After the Dismissal, the celebrant says three times: "Christ is risen!" and the faithful respond each time: "Indeed he is risen!" The celebrant then sings once: "Christ is risen from the dead! By death . . .," and the faithful sing:

(Twice)



Christ is ris-en from the dead! By death he trampled death; and to those in the
tombs he grant - ed life. And to us he grant-ed life e - ter - nal.
Let us bow be - fore his resur-rec - tion on the third day!

Irmos:

Shine in splen - dor, O new Je - ru - sa - lem; for the glo - ry of the Lord
is ris - en up - on you. O Zi - on, now dance and be glad; and
you, pure The - o - to - kos, re - joice in the res - ur - rec - tion of your Son.

Paschal "Our Father" - melody of the Canon of Pascha

Our Fa - ther, who art in heav - en, hal - lowed be thy name;
thy king - dom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heav - en.
Give us this day our dai - ly bread; and for - give us our tres - pass - es
as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us; and lead us not in - to tempt - a - tion,
but de - liv - er us from e - vil.

the ty - rants of their wick - ed - ness. You off - ered your - self as an accept - a - ble
sac - ri - fice to God. There - fore, you received a crown of vic - to - ry,
and through your pray'rs, O ho - ly one, you obtain for - give - ness of sins for all.

Cantor

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

Kontakion of the holy great martyr George - Tone 4:

Cul - ti - vat - ed by God, you became an excellent gardener of re - li - gion,
har - vest - ing sheaves of vir - tues for your - self. You sowed in tears but reaped in joy.
You fought to the shed - ding of your blood, and through your pray'rs, O ho - ly one,
you ob - tain for - give - ness of sins for all.

Cantor

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

Kontakion of the Holy Myrrh-bearers - Tone 2:

By your res-ur-rec - tion, O Christ our God, you told the myrrh - bearers to re-joyce;

and you stilled the weeping of Eve, the first moth - er. You com-mand-ed

your a - pos - tles to pro-claim: The Sav - ior is ris - en from the tomb.

Prokeimenon of the Myrrh-bearers - Tone 6 (Psalm 27:9,1):

Save your peo - ple, O Lord, and bless your in - her - i - tance,

and bless your in - her - i - tance.

Verse: To you, O Lord, I cry out: My God, be not silent to me.

And then immediately after the verse:

Prokeimenon of the holy great-martyr George - Tone 7 (Psalm 63:11,2):

The just man will re-joyce in the Lord, re - joyce in the Lord,

and will put, his trust in him.

Alleluia of the Myrrh-beareres - Tone 8 (Psalm 84:2,11):

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

Verse: You have favored your land, O Lord; you have restored the well-being of Jacob.

Verse: Mercy and truth have met; justice and peace have kissed.

And then immediately after the second verse:

Alleluia of the holy great-martyr George - Tone 4 (Psalm 91:13,14):

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

Verse: The just man will flourish like the palm tree and grow like a cedar of Lebanon.

[**Verse:** Planted in the house of the Lord, he will flourish in the courts of our God.]

Instead of "It is truly proper ..."

Magnification:

The an - gel ex - claimed to her, full of grace:

Re - joyce, O pure Vir - gin; and a - gain, I say: Re-joyce!

Your Son is ris - en from the grave on the third day

and has raised the dead. Re - joyce, all you na - tions!