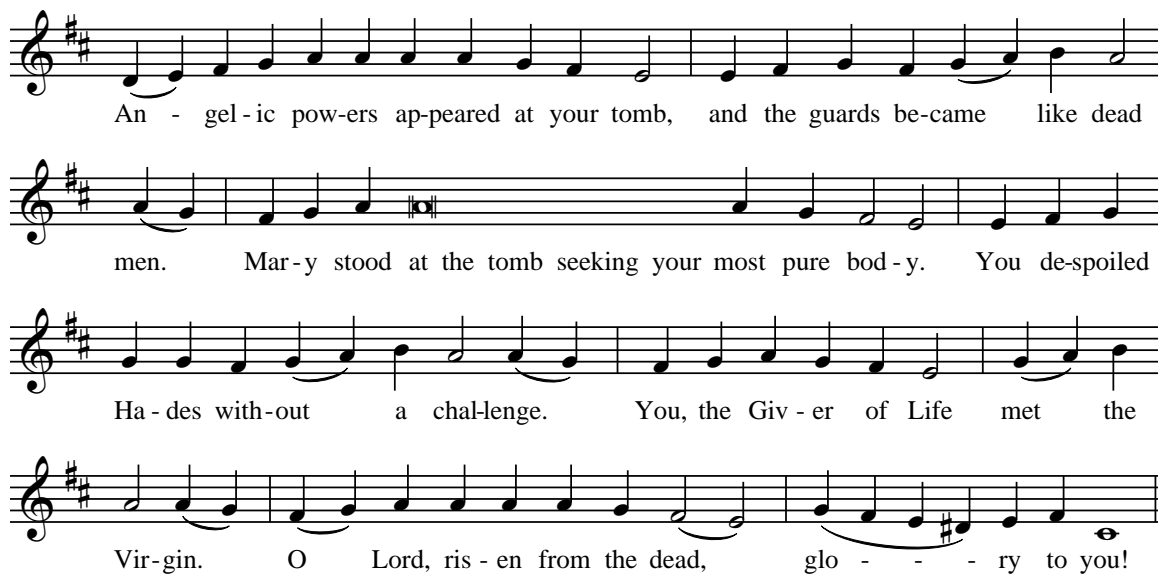


**Divine Liturgy, September 9, 2012**  
**SUNDAY BEFORE THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS**  
**Postfestive Day of the Nativity of the Theotokos**

**Troparion of the Resurrection - *Tone 6***



An - gel-ic pow-ers ap-peared at your tomb, and the guards be-came like dead  
men. Mar-y stood at the tomb seeking your most pure bod-y. You de-spoiled  
Ha-des with-out a chal-lenge. You, the Giv-er of Life met the  
Vir-gin. O Lord, ris-en from the dead, glo - - - ry to you!

**Troparion of the Nativity of the Theotokos - *Tone 4***



Your birth, O Vir-gin The-o-to - kos, her-ald-ed joy to the u - ni-verse;  
for from you arose the Sun of Jus-tice, Christ our God. Re-mov-ing the curse, he  
gave the bles - sing, and by de-stry-ing Death, he grant-ed us e - ter-nal life.

*Cantor*

Glo-ry to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly Spir - it, now and  
ev - er and for-ev - er. A - - men.

**Kontakion of the Resurrection - Tone 6**

Christ our God, the Life - giv - er, with his life - giving hand raised the dead  
from the val - ley of death, grant-ing res - ur - rec - tion to all of us.  
He is the Sav - ior of All, the Resurrection, the Life, and the God of All.

**Prokeimenon of the Sunday before the Exaltation of the Cross - 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.

Alleluia of the Sunday before the Exaltation of the Cross - *Tone 1* (Psalm 88:20-22):

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

Al - le - lu - - - ia!

*Verse:* I have exalted one chosen from my people and with my holy oil I have anointed him.

*Verse:* My hand shall protect him and my arm shall make him strong.

*Instead of "It is truly proper . . ."*

**Magnification:**

Ex - tol, ex - tol, O my soul, O my soul,

the Vir - gin Mar - y born of the bar - ren wo - - - man.

**Irmos - *Tone 6, simple setting***

Vir - gin - i - ty is something for - eign to moth - ers, and child - bear - ing

is strange for vir - gins. But in you, O The - o - to - kos, both the one

and the oth - er have come to pass. There - fore, we, the peo - ples of the earth,

un-ceas-ing - ly ex - tol you.

**Communion Hymn for Sunday** (Psalm 148:1):

A

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

*Refrain*

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 Nativity of the Theotokos*

**Communion Hymn** (Psalm 115:4):

A

I shall take the chal - ice, the chal-ice of sal - va - tion and call up - on the

name of the Lord, and call up - on the name of the Lord.

*Refrain*

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