

Instead of "It is truly proper . . ."

**Magnification:**

Ex - tol, ex - tol, O my soul, O my soul  
 the won-drous con - cep - tion of the Moth - er of God.

**Irmos**

*Irmos Tone 6, simple setting*

Let us, the faith-ful, ex - tol the The - o - to - kos, the ev - er - flow - ing Foun - tain of  
 Life, ra - diant Bea - con of Grace, Liv - ing Tem - ple, and - most pure  
 Tab - er - na - cle, more spa - cious than earth and heav - - - en.

**Communion Hymn for Sunday** (Psalm 148:1): *(music on pp. 78-81)*

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

**Communion Hymn for the Maternity of Holy Anna** (Psalm 132:1):

*Melody: "O kto, kto"*

Re - joice in the Lord, you right - eous ones; praise from the up - right is fit - ting.  
*Refrain*  
 Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

**Divine Liturgy, December 8, 2013**  
**TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**FEAST OF THE MATERNITY OF THE HOLY ANNA, MOTHER OF OUR BLESSED LADY, THE MOTHER OF GOD AND EVER-VIRGIN MARY.** According to tradition, Joachim and Anna were childless for fifty years of their married life. In their old age, they were promised that a daughter would be born to them. After nine months, St. Anna bore a daughter, blessed by God and by all subsequent generations of humanity: the most holy Theotokos, the ever-virgin Mary.

**Troparion of the Resurrection - Tone 4**

The joy - ful mes - sage of the res - ur - rec - tion was heard by the women disci - ples  
 from the an - gel, and be - ing freed from the an - ces - tral curse, they boast - ed  
 to the a - pos - tles: Death is de - spoiled; Christ our God is ris - en,  
 giv - ing great mer - cy to the world.

**Troparion of the Maternity of Holy Anna - Tone 4**

To - day the bonds of bar - ren - ness are loosed, for God has heard the pray'rs  
 of Jo - a - chim and An - na. He prom - ised, beyond hope, the birth of their

god-ly daugh - ter. The In-des-cribable, himself, born of her as a mor - tal,  
com - mand - ed us through the an-gel to sing to her: Re-joice, O wo-man  
full of grace, the Lord is with you.

*Cantor*

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

**Kontakion of the Maternity of Holy Anna - Tone 4**

To - day the whole world cel - e-brates how Anna becomes a moth - er by  
the pow - er of God. She con-ceived the wo - man whose conception of the  
Word is be-yond our words.

**Prokeimenon of the Resurrection - Tone 4 (Psalm 103:24,1):**

How man - y are your works, O Lord. In wis - dom you have made them all.  
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*Verse:* Bless the Lord, my soul. Lord my God, how great you are.  
*And then immediately:*

**Prokeimenon of the Maternity of Holy Anna - Tone 4 (Psalm 67:36,27):**

God is won-drous in his saints, the God of Is - ra - el,  
the God of Is - ra - el.

**Alleluia of the Resurrection - Tone 4 (Psalm 44:5,8):**

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - - - ia.

*Verse:* Go forth; triumph and reign for the sake of truth and meekness and justice.

*Verse:* You love justice and hate wickedness.

*And then immediately:*

**Alleluia of the Maternity of Holy Anna - Tone 1 (Psalm 36:39,40):**

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

*Verse:* The salvation of the just is from the Lord; he is their protector in time of distress.

[*Verse:* The Lord will help them and deliver them

and rescue them from sinners and save them, for they have hoped in him.]