

**Lazarus Saturday**  
**(Divine Liturgy of St John the Golden-Mouth)**  
**Hebrews 12: 28 – 13: 8                      John 11: 1 – 45**

**Beatitude Verses**  
4 from Triodion from Ode 3 of the First Canon  
4 from Triodion from Ode 6 of the Second Canon

**People:** In Your kingdom remember us, O Lord, when You come into Your kingdom.  
Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.  
Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted!  
Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth!  
Blessed are those who hunger and thirst after righteousness, for they shall be filled!  
Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy!

**Reader:** O Saviour, displaying Your two energies, You revealed Your two natures: for You are both God and man.

**People:** Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God!

**Reader:** Although You are the Abyss of knowledge, You asked where they laid the body of Lazarus. For it was Your purpose, O Giver of Life, to raise him from the dead.

**People:** Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called the sons of God!

**Reader:** Going from one place to another, as a mortal man You appeared circumscribed; but as God uncircumscribed, You fill all things.

**People:** Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven!

**Reader:** O Christ, at Your divine word You raised Lazarus. I entreat You: raise me also, who am dead through my many sins.

**People:** Blessed are you when men shall revile you and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely for my sake!

**Reader:** O Master, love led you to Lazarus at Bethany; and as God You raised him, though his corpse already stank, and You rescued him from the bonds of Hades.

**People:** Rejoice, and be exceedingly glad, for great is your reward in heaven!

**Reader:** Martha despaired when she saw Lazarus already four days dead. But Christ as God raised him from decay and brought him back to life by His word.

**People:** **Glory** to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

**Reader:** O Master, as true God You knew of the falling asleep of Lazarus and announced it beforehand to Your disciples, giving them a proof of the infinite power of Your divinity.

**People:** **Now** and ever, and to the ages of ages. Amen.

**Reader:** O Master, by nature You are uncircumscribed, yet You were circumscribed in the flesh. Coming to Bethany as man, You wept over Lazarus, and by Your power as God You raised him on the fourth day from the dead.

### ***Troparia & Kontakia***

#### **Troparion of the Resurrection of Lazarus Tone 1**

**People:**

By raising Lazarus from the dead before Your passion, /  
You confirmed the universal Resurrection, O Christ God! /  
Like the children with the palms of victory, /  
we cry out to You, O Vanquisher of death; /  
Hosanna in the Highest! //  
Blessed is He who comes in the Name of the Lord!

**People:** Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and to the ages of ages. Amen.

#### **Kontakion of the Resurrection of Lazarus Tone 2**

**People:**

Christ the Joy, the Truth and the Light of all, /  
the Life of the World and the Resurrection /  
has appeared in His goodness to those on Earth. /  
He has become the Image of our Resurrection, //  
granting divine forgiveness to all!

#### **At the Entrance**

O come let us worship / and fall down before Christ. / O Son of God, / who rose from the dead, save us who sing to You: / Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

### Instead of the Thrice-Holy Hymn

**People:**

As many as have been baptized into Christ, have put on Christ. Alleluia. (x3)

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and to the ages of ages. Amen.

Have put on Christ. Alleluia.

As many as have been baptized into Christ, have put on Christ. Alleluia.

### Prokeimenon Tone 3

**Deacon:** Let us attend.

**Priest:** Peace be to all.

**Reader:** And to your spirit.

**Deacon:** Wisdom!

**Reader:** The Prokeimenon in the 3rd Tone: The Lord is my Light and my Savior; Whom then shall I fear? (Psalm 26:1)

**People:** The Lord is my Light and my Savior; Whom, then, shall I fear?

**Reader:** The Lord is the Defender of my life; of whom then will I be afraid?

**People:** The Lord is my Light and my Savior; Whom, then, shall I fear?

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**People:** Whom, then, shall I fear?

**Deacon:** Wisdom!

**Reader:** The Reading is from the Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Hebrews.

**Deacon:** Let us attend.

**Epistle**  
**Hebrews 12: 28 – 13: 8**

**Reader:** Brethren, since we are receiving a Kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us be grateful and so offer divine service to God acceptably, with reverence and godly fear, for our God is a consuming fire. Continue loving each other as brethren. Do not forget to be hospitable to strangers, for in doing so, some have welcomed angels without knowing it! Remember those who are in chains, as if chained with them, and also those who are ill-treated, as if you too were suffering in the body. Marriage must be held in honor among all and the marriage bed kept undefiled: but God will judge the sexually immoral and adulterers. Be free from the love of money and be satisfied with what you have. As God has said: I will in no way leave you, neither will I in any way forsake you. And so, we say with good courage: The Lord is my helper, I will not fear. What can man do to me? Remember your leaders, those men who proclaimed the word of God to you. Considering the results of their conduct, imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever.

**Priest:** Peace be to you the reader.

**Reader:** And to your spirit.

**Deacon:** Wisdom!

**Alleluiarion Tone 5**

**Reader:** Alleluia in the 5th Tone.

**People:** Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**Reader:** The Lord reigns; He clothed Himself with majesty.

**People:** Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**Reader:** And He established the world, which shall not be moved.

**People:** Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**Gospel**

**Deacon:** Bless Master, him who proclaims the Holy Gospel of the Holy, Apostle and Evangelist John the Theologian.

**Priest:** May God, through the intercessions of the holy, glorious, all praised Apostle and Evangelist John the Theologian, enable you to proclaim the Good News with great power, for the fulfillment of the Gospel of His Beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

**Deacon:** Amen.

**Priest:** Wisdom! Arise! Let us listen to the Holy Gospel. Peace be to all.

**People:** And to your spirit.

**Deacon:** The Reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Saint John.

**People:** Glory to You, O Lord, glory to You.

**Priest:** Let us attend.

**Deacon:** **John 11: 1 – 45**

**People:** Glory to You, Lord, glory to You.

### ***The Hymn to the Theotokos***

Instead of "It is truly right..." we sing the Irmos of the First Canon of the 9<sup>th</sup> Ode:

#### ***Irmos Tone 8***

**People:**

With all peoples let us honour and glorify /  
the pure Theotokos, /  
who conceived within her womb /  
the divine Fire and yet was not consumed; /  
and let us magnify her in never-silent hymns.

#### **Communion Verse (Koinonikon)**

**People:**

From the mouths of babies and nursing infants You prepared praise. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

**PRIEST:** Resurrectional Dismissal.