

26th Sunday after Pentecost (Tone 1)
The Conception of the Theotokos by St Anna
Ephesians 5: 8 – 19 **Luke 17: 12 – 19**

Beatitude Verses

6 from Octoechos for Resurrection
4 from Menaion, Canon Ode 3 for Feast

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!

Reader: The enemy lead Adam out of Paradise through food; but by the Cross, Christ has led back to Paradise the Wise Robber who cried: Remember me when You come into Your kingdom!

People: Blessed are those who hunger and thirst after righteousness, for they shall be filled!

Reader: With Adam and the Wise Robber, I venerate Your suffering and glorify Your resurrection; and I cry out with a splendid voice: Remember me when You come into Your kingdom!

People: Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy!

Reader: O Sinless Lord, of Your own will You were crucified and placed in the tomb, yet You arose as God, raising up also Adam who cries out: Remember me when You come into Your kingdom!

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

Reader: O Christ God, raising up the temple Your body by Your resurrection on the third day, You raised up Adam and his descendants who cry: Remember me when You come into Your kingdom!

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

Reader: O Christ God, the myrrh-bearing women arrived very early, weeping at Your tomb, and they found an angel sitting there, clothed in white garments who said: What are you searching for? Christ is risen! Do not lament any longer!

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

Reader: O Savior, when Your apostles went to the mountain where You had commanded them to go, they worshipped You; and You sent them to the nations, to teach and baptize them.

People: Blessed are you when people revile you, persecute you, and say all kinds of evil against you falsely for my sake!

Reader: "If You will grant fruit to my womb," Anna cried to the Lord, "I shall be magnified, and will offer it to You." Therefore, she conceived the pure Mother of God.

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

Reader: Having observed the provisions of the law and served God blamelessly, O most honorable Anna, you truly carried in your womb her who would give birth to the Giver of the law. Therefore, we, the faithful, call you blessed.

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

Reader: When you prayed in the garden, you heard the voice of the Most High, O divinely wise Anna; and He gave fruit to your womb: the portal which by grace shall open paradise.

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

Reader: Dispel all the barrenness of my fruitless mind, and show forth my soul to be fruitful in the virtues, O most-holy Theotokos, help of the faithful.

Troparia & Kontakia

Resurrection Troparion Tone 1

People:
When the stone had been sealed by the Jews, /
And the soldiers were guarding Your immaculate Body. /
You rose on the third day O Saviour, /
Granting Life to the world. /
Therefore the Heavenly Powers cried to You O Giver-of-Life: /
Glory to Your Resurrection O Christ, //
Glory to Your Kingdom, //
Glory to Your Dispensation, O only Lover-of-mankind!

**Troparion of the Conception of the Theotokos
Tone 4**

People:

Today, the bonds of barrenness are loosed, /
for God, listening to Joachim and Anna, /
clearly promises them that they will, beyond all expectation, /
give birth to the divine Maiden, /
from whom the Infinite One Himself, becoming man, shall be born. /
And He commands the angels to cry to her: //
Rejoice, you who are full of grace, the Lord is with you!

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

**Kontakion of the Conception of the Theotokos
Tone 4**

People:

Today the whole world celebrates Anna's conceiving, /
which was brought about by God; //
for she gave birth to her who inexplicably gave birth to the Word.

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

**Kontakion of the Resurrection
Tone 1**

People:

As God, You arose from the tomb in glory, /
And You raised the world together with Yourself. /
Mortal nature praises You as God, /
And death is vanished. /
Now Adam exults, O Master, /
Eve rejoices, being freed from chains, and cries: /
Glory to You O Christ our God, //
Who grants resurrection to all.

**Resurrection Prokeimenon
Tone 1**

Deacon: Let us attend.

Priest: Peace be to all.

Reader: And to your spirit.

Deacon: Wisdom!

Reader: The Prokeimenon in the 1st Tone: Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us, just as we hope in You.

People: Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us, just as we hope in You.

Reader: Rejoice greatly in the Lord, O righteous ones; praise is fitting for the upright.

People: Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us, just as we hope in You.

Reader: Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us.

People: Just as we hope in You.

Deacon: Wisdom!

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

Deacon: Let us attend.

Epistle

Reader: **Ephesians 5: 8 – 19**

Priest: Peace be to you the reader.

Reader: And to your spirit.

Deacon: Wisdom!

Alleluiarion Tone 8

Reader: Alleluia in the 8th Tone.

People: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Reader: Come, let us greatly rejoice in the Lord; let us shout aloud to God our Savior.

People: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Reader: Let us come before His face with thanksgiving, and let us shout aloud to Him with psalms.

People: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel

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

Priest: May God, through the intercessions of the holy, glorious, all praised Apostle and Evangelist Luke, 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 Luke.

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

Priest: Let us attend.

Deacon: **Luke 17: 12 – 19**

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

Communion Verse (Koinonikon)

People:

Resurrection: Praise the Lord in the heavens, praise Him in the highest!

St Anna: O you righteous, rejoice in the Lord; praise is worthy for the upright.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.