

SUNDAY, AUGUST 27, 2023

TONE 3

12th Sunday after Pentecost / Ven. Pimen the Great

"Lord I Call..." Tone 3

Lord, I call upon You, hear me.
Hear me, O Lord.
Lord, I call upon You, hear me.
Receive the voice of my prayer,
when I call upon You.//
Hear me, O Lord.

Let my prayer arise
in Your sight as incense,
and let the lifting up of my hands
be an evening sacrifice.//
Hear me, O Lord.

After "Lord I Call..." the Reader reads the rest of Ps. 140 & Ps. 141 on pgs 31 in the pew book, then:
STICHERA

v. (10) Bring my soul out of prison, that I may give thanks to Your Name! Tone

By Your Cross, O Christ our Savior,
death's dominion has been shattered;
the devil's delusion destroyed.
The race of man, being saved by faith,//
always offers You a song.

v. (9) The righteous will surround me; for You will deal bountifully with me.

All has been enlightened by Your Resurrection, O Lord.
Paradise has been opened again.
All creation, praising You,//
always offers You a song.

v. (8) Out of the depths I cry to You, O Lord. Lord, hear my voice!

I glorify the power of the Father and the Son.
I praise the authority of the Holy Spirit:
the undivided, uncreated Godhead,//
the consubstantial Trinity which reigns forever.

v. (7) Let Your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!

We bow down in worship before Your precious Cross, O Christ,
and we glorify and praise Your Resurrection,//
for by Your wounds we have all been healed.

v. (6) If You, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with You.

We praise the Savior incarnate of the Virgin,
for He was crucified for our sake and resurrected on the third day,//
granting us great mercy.

v. (5) *For Your Name's sake I wait for You, O Lord. My soul has waited for Your word; my soul has hoped on the Lord.*

Christ descended to hell proclaiming the glad tidings:

“Behold! Now I have triumphed!

I am the Resurrection, I will lead you out, //

for I have shattered the gates of death!”

v. (4) *From the morning watch until night, from the morning watch, let Israel hope on the Lord!*

Standing unworthily in Your most pure house, O Christ God,

we offer our evening song, crying from the depths:

You Who enlightened the world

by Your Resurrection on the third day,

O Lover of man, deliver Your people //

from the hand of Your enemies.

v. (3) *For with the Lord there is mercy and with Him is plenteous redemption, and He will deliver Israel from all his iniquities. **Tone 8** (for St. Pimen) (What shall we call you)*

What shall we call you, O Pimen?

Example for monastics, performer of healings,

who tamed the passions of the soul with the lash of abstinence?

Citizen of heaven and converser with the Angels?

Inhabitant of the City on High?

Vessel of virtues and support of the pious? //

Pray that our souls may be saved!

v. (2) *Praise the Lord, all nations! Praise Him, all peoples!*

How shall we address you, O Pimen?

Dweller in the wilderness and lover of silence?

Conqueror of passions and guide of monks?

River flowing with the teachings of the Holy Spirit?

Unfading lamp of discernment?

True worker of wonders, who heals all manner of passions? //

Pray that our souls may be saved!

v. (1) *For His mercy is confirmed on us, and the truth of the Lord endures forever.*

You were a lamp of discernment, O wise one,

illuminating the souls of those who rightly came to you;

you showed them the path of life.

Therefore, O Pimen, we who celebrate your holy feast

bless you with praises:

boast of the fathers and adornment of ascetics. //

Pray that our souls may be saved!

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; **Tone 6** (for St. Pimen)*

The sound of your teachings has gone out into all the earth,
O venerable Father Pimen.
Therefore you have found the reward of your labors in the heavens.
You destroyed the hosts of demons
and reached the ranks of Angels, whose life you blamelessly followed.
Since you have boldness before Christ our God, //
entreat peace for our souls!

*now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen. **Tone 3** (Theotokion – Dogmatikon)*

How can we not wonder
at your mystical childbearing, O exalted Mother?
For without receiving the touch of man,
you gave birth to a Son in the flesh, O immaculate Virgin.
The Son born of the Father before eternity
was born of you at the fullness of time, O honored Lady.
He underwent no mingling, no change, no division,
but preserved the fullness of each nature.
Entreat Him, O Lady and Virgin and Mother,
to save the souls of those who, in the Orthodox manner, confess you //
to be the Theotokos.

APOSTICHA

Tone 3 The sun was darkened by Your Passion, O Christ,
but all creation was enlightened by the light of Your Resurrection. //
Accept our evening song, O Lover of man!

v. The Lord is King; He is robed in majesty!

Your life-bearing Resurrection, O Lord,
enlightened the whole universe, recalling Your creation.
Delivered from Adam's curse, we sing: //
O Almighty Lord, glory to You!

v. For He has established the world, so that it shall never be moved.

You are the changeless God,
Who, suffering in the flesh, were changed.
Creation could not endure seeing You on the Cross.
It was filled with fear while praising Your patience.
By descending to hell and rising on the third day, //
You have granted to the world life and great mercy.

v. Holiness befits Your house, O Lord, forevermore!

You endured death, O Christ,
to deliver the race of men from death.
You rose from the dead on the third day,
raising with Yourself those who knew You as God//
and enlightening the world. Glory to You!

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; **Tone 8** (for St. Pimen)*

We honor you, O Pimen our father,
as the instructor of a multitude of monks.
We have indeed learned to walk rightly in your footsteps.
Blessed are you, for having labored for Christ,
you denounced the power of the enemy.
You were a converser with the Angels and a companion of the venerable and righteous.//
Together with them, entreat the Lord that He grant mercy to our souls!

*now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen. **Tone 8** (Theotokion)*

O unwedded Virgin,
who ineffably conceived God in the flesh,
O Mother of God most high,
accept the cries of your servants, O blameless One!
Grant cleansing of transgressions to all!//
Receive our prayers and pray to save our souls!

TROPARIA

Tone 3 Let the heavens rejoice! / Let the earth be glad! / For the Lord has shown strength with His arm. / He has trampled down death by death. / He has become the first born of the dead. / He has delivered us from the depths of hell, / and has granted to the world// great mercy.

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, **Tone 8** Troparion (St. Pimen)*

By a flood of tears you made the desert fertile,
and your longing for God brought forth fruits in abundance.
By the radiance of miracles you illuminated the whole universe.//
Our holy Father Pimen, pray to Christ our God to save our souls!

*now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen. **Tone 8** Resurrectional Dismissal Theotokion*

For our sake You were born of the Virgin
and endured crucifixion, O Good One, destroying death by death.
Revealing the Resurrection as God, do not despise the work of Your hand!
Reveal Your love for man, O Merciful One, and accept the Theotokos praying for us,//
and save the despairing people, O our Savior!