

OCTOBER 4, 2023 - Hieromartyr Hierotheus of Athens

FIRST, SECOND, and THIRD ANTIPHONS are in the Music Book

TROPARIA

Tone 1 We the faithful all praise Hierótheus, the disciple of Paul, hierarch of Athens, the world's teacher and a preacher of the Faith, who revealed to us Christ's Mysteries and poured forth streams of godly doctrine. His life was well-pleasing to God, who is greatly merciful.

Tone 4 The truth of things has revealed you to your flock as a rule of faith, a model of meekness, and teacher of abstinence, so you won the heights by humility, and riches by poverty, O Holy hierarch Nicholas, intercede with Christ God to save our souls.

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

KONTAKION

Tone 6 Protection of Christians never failing,
Mediatress before the Creator, ever constant.
Do not despise the voice of prayer of sinners,
but in your goodness come to help us who faithfully call upon you.
Hasten to entreat, hurry to pray, O Theotokos,
interceding always for those honor you.

Priest: Let us attend! Peace to all!

Choir: And to your spirit!

Priest: Wisdom!

Reader: **The prokeimenon in the third tone: My soul magnifies the Lord / and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior.** *(Luke 1:46-47)*

Choir: My soul magnifies the Lord / and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior.

Reader: **For He has regarded the low estate of His handmaiden; for behold, henceforth all generations will call me blessed.** *(Luke 1:48)*

Choir: My soul magnifies the Lord / and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior.

Reader: **My soul magnifies the Lord**

Choir: and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior.

Priest: Wisdom!

Reader: **The reading is from the epistle of the holy Apostle Paul to the Ephesians (5:25-33)**

Priest: Let us attend!

Reader: **Brethren: Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her, that He might sanctify and cleanse her with the washing of water by the word, that He might present her to Himself a glorious Church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but that she should be holy and without blemish. So husbands ought to love their own wives as their own bodies; he who loves his wife loves himself. For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as the Lord does the Church. For we are members of His body, of His flesh and of His bones. For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh. This is a great mystery, but I speak concerning Christ and the Church. Nevertheless let each one of you in particular so love his own wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband.**

Priest: Peace to you (who have read)!

Reader: **And to your spirit! Alleluia in the eighth tone. Alleuia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Cantor: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Reader: **Hear, O daughter, and see and incline your ear.** *(Psalm 44:10)*

Cantor: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Reader: **Your face the rich of the people will entreat.** *(Psalm 44:12)*

Cantor: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO LUKE (6:46-7:1)

COMMUNION HYMN

I will take a cup of salvation, and I will call upon the name of the Lord. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
(Psalm 115:4)