

Priest: Let us attend! Peace be unto all! Wisdom!

Reader: The Prokeimenon in the 8th tone. Let all the earth worship You and praise You, let it praise Your name, O Most High!

People:

*Based on Tone 8
Znamenny Chant*

Let all the earth worship You and praise You!

Let it praise Your Name, O Most High!

Reader: Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth! Sing of His name, give glory to His praise!

People: *sing the prokeimenon*

Reader: Let all the earth worship You and praise You...

People: ... let it praise Your name, O Most High!

Priest: Wisdom!

Reader: The reading from the Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Romans (6:3-11).

Priest: Let us attend.

Reader: Brethren, Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? Therefore we have been buried with Him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we

too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with Him in a death like His, we will certainly be united with Him in a resurrection like His. We know that our old self was crucified with Him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with Him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over Him. The death He died, He died to sin, once for all; but the life He lives, He lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Priest: Peace be unto you, reader.

Reader: And to your spirit. Arise, O God, judge the earth! For to You belong all the nations!

(The Royal Doors are now closed. During the singing of "Arise, O God...", the clergy remove their dark-coloured vestments and revest in white.)

People:

The musical score is written for piano accompaniment and vocal line. It consists of two systems of music. The first system covers the lyrics: "A - rise, O God, judge the earth, for to You be -". The second system covers the lyrics: "long all the na - - - - - tions!". The music is in the key of D major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line and chords that support the vocal melody. The vocal line is written in a single staff with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp. The lyrics are placed below the vocal staff, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes or measures.

Reader: God has taken His place in the divine council; in the midst of the gods He holds judgement.

People: *Arise, O Lord...*

Reader: How long will you judge unjustly and accept the faces of sinners?

People: *Arise, O Lord...*

Reader: Give justice to the weak and the fatherless; maintain the right of the afflicted and the destitute.

People: *Arise, O Lord...*

Reader: Rescue the weak and the needy; deliver them from the hand of the sinner.

People: *Arise, O Lord...*

Reader: They have neither knowledge nor understanding; they walk about in darkness.

People: *Arise, O Lord...*

Reader: Let all the foundations of the earth be shaken! I say: You are gods, sons of the Most High, all of you; nevertheless, you shall die like men, and fall like any prince!

People: *Arise, O Lord...*

Reader: Arise, O God, judge the earth...

People: ...for to You belong all the nations.

The Gospel

+++ *After the Homily, we continue with Liturgy of St. Basil the Great.* +++

Instead of the Cherubic Hymn we sing "Let all mortal flesh..." (next page)