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(Pascha to Bright Saturday)

**Leader** Through the prayers of our holy fathers, Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on us.

**All** Amen.

CHRIST IS RISEN FROM THE DEAD, TRAMPLING DOWN DEATH BY DEATH, AND UPON THOSE  
IN THE TOMBS BESTOWING LIVE (X 3)

(Vesperal Tone 6)

HAVING BEHELD THE RESURRECTION OF CHRIST  
LET US WORSHIP THE HOLY LORD JESUS  
THE ONLY SINLESS ONE  
WE VENERATE YOUR CROSS, O CHRIST,  
AND WE PRAISE AND GLORIFY YOUR HOLY RESURRECTION  
FOR YOU ARE OUR GOD  
AND WE KNOW NO OTHER THAN YOU  
WE CALL ON YOUR NAME  
COME ALL YOU FAITHFUL  
LET US VENERATE CHRIST'S HOLY RESURRECTION  
FOR BEHOLD, THROUGH THE CROSS JOY HAS COME INTO ALL THE WORLD  
LET US EVER BLESS THE LORD  
PRAISING HIS RESURRECTION  
FOR BY ENDURING THE CROSS FOR US \*\*\*  
HE HAS DESTROYED DEATH BY DEATH (X 3)

(Tropar Tone 8)

BEFORE THE DAWN MARY AND THE WOMEN CAME  
AND FOUND THE STONE ROLLED AWAY FROM THE TOMB  
THEY HEARD THE ANGELIC VOICE: "WHY DO YOU SEEK AMONG THE DEAD AS A MAN  
THE ONE WHO IS EVERLASTING LIGHT?  
BEHOLD THE CLOTHES IN THE GRAVE! GO AND PROCLAIM TO THE WORLD  
THE LORD IS RISEN; HE HAS SLAIN DEATH,\*\*\*  
AS HE IS THE SON OF GOD, SAVING THE RACE OF MAN! (X 1)

(Kontakion Tropar Tone 8)

YOU DESCENDED INTO THE TOMB, O IMMMORTAL;  
YOU DESTROYED THE POWER OF DEATH  
IN VICTORY YOU AROSE, O CHRIST GOD  
PROCLAIMING "REJOICE!" TO THE MYRRH-BEARING WOMEN\*\*\*  
GRANTING PEACE TO YOUR APOSTLES AND BESTOWING RESURRECTION ON THE FALLEN (X  
1)

(And these Troparia, also in Tone 8)

IN THE GRAVE WITH THE BODY; IN SHEOL WITH THE SOUL;  
IN PARADISE WITH THE THIEF, AND ON THE THRONE WITH THE FATHER AND THE SPIRIT,\*\*\*  
WERE YOU, O CHRIST, AS GOD, FILLING ALL THINGS, ENCOMPASSED BY NONE

GLORY TO THE FATHER, AND TO THE SON, AND TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

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BEARING LIFE AND MORE FRUITFUL THAN **PARADISE**,  
BRIGHTER THAN ANY ROYAL **CHAMBER**\*\*\*  
YOUR TOMB, O CHRIST, IS THE FOUNTAIN OF OUR RESUR**RECTION**!

NOW AND EVER AND UNTO AGES OF AGES. AMEN

REJOICE, O SANCTIFIED AND DIVINE ABOVE OF THE **MOST** HIGH!  
FOR THROUGH YOU, O THEOTOKOS, JOY IS GIVEN TO **THOSE** WHO CRY\*\*\*  
BLESSED ARE YOU AMONG WOMEN, O ALL-UNDEFILED SOVEREIGN **LADY**!

**READER:** Lord have mercy (x 40)

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

More honourable than the cherubim, and more glorious beyond compare than the seraphim, without defilement you gave birth to God the Word: true Theotokos, we magnify you!

In the name of the Lord, father bless!

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GLORY TO THE FATHER, AND TO THE SON, AND TO THE HOLY SPIRIT; NOW AND EVER, AND UNTO AGES OF AGES. AMEN.

LORD, HAVE MERCY (X 3)

**Leader** May He Who is risen from the dead, Christ our true God, through the prayers of His most pure Mother, of our holy and God-bearing fathers, and of all the saints, have mercy on us and save us, for He is good and loveth mankind.

**ALL:** AMEN  
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*(Troparion Tone 8)*

