1 November 2026
22nd Sunday after Pentecost (6th of Luke)
Holy Wonderworkers and Unmercenaries Cosmas and Damian

Troparion (Tone 5) *(Resurrection)*
Let us, the faithful, praise and worship the Word,
co-eternal with the Father and the Spirit,
born for our salvation from the Virgin;
for He willed to be lifted up on the Cross in the flesh,
to endure death, and to raise the dead
by His glorious Resurrection.

Troparion (Tone 8) *(Saints Cosmas and Damian)*
Holy Unmercenaries and Wonderworkers, Cosmas and Damian, heal our Infirmities!
Freely you have received; freely you give to us.

Kontakion (Tone 5): *(Resurrection)*
You descended into hell, O my Savior,
shattering its gates as Almighty,
resurrecting the dead as Creator,
and destroying the sting of death.
You have delivered Adam from the curse, O Lover of man,
and we cry to You: "O Lord, save us!"

Glory to the Father...

Kontakion (Tone 2) *(Saints Cosmas and Damian)*
Having received the grace of healing,
you grant healing to those in need.
Glorious wonder-workers and healers, Cosmas and Damian,
visit us and put down the insolence of our enemies,
and bring healing to the world through your miracles!

Now and ever ....

Kontakion (Tone 6) Steadfast Protectress of Christians,
constant advocate before the Creator,
despise not the entreating cry of us sinners,
but in your goodness come speedily to help us who call on you in faith,
hasten to hear our petition and to intercede for us, O Theotokos,
for you always protect those who honor you.

Prokeimenon (Tone 5)
You, O Lord, shall protect us and preserve us from this generation forever.
V. Save me, O Lord, for there is no longer any that is Godly.

Epistle (Galatians 6:11-18) *(Resurrection)*

See with what large letters I am writing to you with my own hand. It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that would compel you to be circumcised, and only in order that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. For even those who receive circumcision do not themselves keep the law, but they desire to have you circumcised that they may glory in your flesh. But far be it from me to glory except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation. Peace and mercy be upon all who walk by the rule, upon the Israel of God. Henceforth let no man trouble me; for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit brethren. Amen.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! (Tone 5) *(Ps 88/89:1,2)*

v: I will sing of Your mercies, O Lord, forever; with my mouth I will proclaim Your truth from generation to generation.

v: For You have said: "Mercy will be established forever; My truth will be prepared in the heavens."

Gospel (Luke 8:26-39) *(Resurrection)*

Then they arrived at the country of the Ger'asenes, which is opposite Galilee. And as he stepped out on land, there met him a man from the city who had demons; for a long time he had worn no clothes, and he lived not in a house but among the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he cried out and fell down before him, and said with a loud voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beseech you, do not torment me." For he had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many a time it had seized him; he was kept under guard, and bound with chains and fetters, but he broke the bonds and was driven by the demon into the desert.) Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. And they begged him not to command them to depart into the abyss. Now a large herd of swine was feeding there on the hillside; and they begged him to let them enter these. So he gave them leave. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and were drowned. When the herdsmen saw what had happened, they fled, and told it in the city and in the country. Then people went out to see what had happened, and they came to Jesus, and found the man from whom the demons had gone, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind; and they were afraid. And those who had seen it told them how he who had been possessed with demons was healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Ger'asenes asked him to depart from them; for they were seized with great fear; so he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but he sent him away, saying, "Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." And he went away, proclaiming throughout the whole city how much Jesus had done for him.

Communion Hymn (*Ps. 148:1)*

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest!
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!