

16 January 2022
30th Sunday after Pentecost
Veneration of the Precious Chains of the Holy and All-Glorious Apostle Peter

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 1) *(St. Peter)*

You came to us without leaving Rome
through the precious chains that you wore.
First-enthroned of the Apostles,
we bow down to them in faith and pray:
“Through your prayers to God grant us great mercy!”

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 . . .

Kontakion (Tone 2) *(St. Peter)*

Christ the Rock radiantly glorifies the Rock of Faith,
the first-enthroned of the disciples;
He calls us to honor the miracles wrought through Peter's chains,
so that He may grant us forgiveness of our sins.

Now and ever . . .

(In Tone 6) **Steadfast Protectress of Christians,**

constant advocate before the Creator,
despise not the entreating cries 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) *(Resurrection)*

You, O Lord, shall protect us / and preserve us from this generation forever. (Ps. 11:7)
v. *Save me, O Lord, for there is no longer any that is godly!* (Ps. 11:1a)

Epistle (Colossians 3:12-16)

Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassion, kindness, lowliness, meekness, and patience, forbearing one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. And above all these put on love which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teach and admonish one another in all wisdom, and sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs with thankfulness in your hearts to God.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! (Tone 5) (Ps. 88:1-2,3)

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; Your truth will be prepared in the heavens.

Gospel (Luke 18:18-27)

Now a certain ruler asked Him, saying, "Good Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" So Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but One, that is, God. You know the commandments: 'Do not commit adultery,' 'Do not murder,' 'Do not steal,' 'Do not bear false witness,' 'Honor your father and your mother.'" And he said, "All these things I have kept from my youth." So when Jesus heard these things, He said to him, "You still lack one thing. Sell all that you have and distribute to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me." But when he heard this, he became very sorrowful, for he was very rich. And when Jesus saw that he became very sorrowful, He said, "How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God! For it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God." And those who heard it said, "Who then can be saved?" But He said, "The things which are impossible with men are possible with God."

Communion Hymn

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! (Ps. 148:1)

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!