

Sunday of the Myrrh-Bearing Women

Tropar Tone 2:

The noble Joseph, took down from the cross Your most pure body. * Anointing it with spices, * he wrapped it in pure linen * and placed it in a new tomb. * But You arose in three days, O Lord, * bestowing great mercy upon the world.

The Angel standing by the grave * exclaimed to the myrrh-bearing women: * "Spices are meant for the dead, * but Christ reveals Himself as not subject to decay. * So now cry out: 'The Lord is risen, * bestowing great mercy upon the world.'"

When You descended to death, O Immortal Life, * You destroyed the Abyss by the radiance of Your divinity. * And when You raised the dead from the depths of the earth, * all the heavenly Powers cried out: * "O Giver of Life, Christ our God, * glory be to You."

Kontakion Tone 2:

Glory be:

By Your resurrection, O Christ our God, * You told the women bringing ointment to rejoice; * and You stilled the weeping of Eve, the first mother. * You instructed the women to announce to Your Apostles: * "The Savior has risen from the tomb."

Kontakion Tone 8:

Now and ever:

Although You descended into the grave, O Immortal One, * You destroyed the power of Death. * You arose again as a victor, O Christ God. * You announced to the women bearing ointment: "Rejoice!" * You gave peace to Your apostles * and resurrection to the Fallen.

Prokimenon Tone 6: Save Your people, O Lord, and bless Your inheritance.

v. To You, O Lord I call; my God, be not deaf to me.

Alleluia Tone 8:

v. Lord, You once favored Your land and revived the fortunes of Jacob.

v. Mercy and faithfulness have met; justice and peace have embraced.

Communion Verse:

Glorify the Lord, O Jerusalem; praise your God, O Sion. Alleluia.