

Great and Holy Thursday
Great Vespers with Divine Liturgy of St. Basil The Great

Propers, starting with the Entrance (page 13, in the booklet for Great and Holy Thursday).

We sing the Entrance Hymn: **O Tranquil Light...**

Prokeimenon, Tone 1: (page 14)

Deliver me, O Lord, from an evil person, from the unrighteous man keep me safe.

verse: From those who plan evil in their hearts all the day.

Reading from the Book of Exodus (19:10-19)

Prokeimenon, Tone 7:

O God, deliver me from my enemies; redeem me from those who rise up against me.

verse: Rescue me from those who work iniquity, and from men of blood save me.

Reading from the Book of Job (38:1-23; 42:1-5)

We continue with the Liturgy of Saint Basil the Great. (pg. 31 in the Divine Liturgy book)

Trisagion Hymn: (page 31)

Prokeimenon, Tone 7: (page 33)

The rulers have gathered together against the Lord and His anointed.

verse: Why have the nations grown insolent, and peoples contemplated vain things?

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 11:23-32

Alleluia, Tone 6: (page 33)

verse: Blessed is he who considers the poor and needy; the Lord will deliver him on the day of evil.

verse: My enemies spoke evil against me: "When will he die and his name perish?"

verse: He who ate My bread has lifted up his heel against Me.

Holy Gospel:

Matthew 26:2-20; John 13:1-17; Matthew 26:21-39; Luke 22:43-45; Matthew 26:40-27:2

Instead of the Cherubic Hymn, the following troparion is sung: (page 43)

Accept me this day, O Son of God, as a partaker of Your mystical supper. I will not tell the mystery to Your enemies, nor will I give You a kiss as did Judas, but like the thief I confess to You: remember me, O Lord, when You come into Your Kingdom.

After the Great Entrance, the following is sung: (page 47)

Remember me, O Lord, when You come into Your Kingdom. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Hymn to the Mother of God: (page 57)

Come, you faithful, let us lift up our minds on high,* and enjoy the Master's hospitality,* and the Table of Immortal Life in the upper room;* and let us hear and learn the exalted teaching* of the Word, Whom we magnify.

Communion Hymn: (page 67)

Accept me this day, O Son of God, as a partaker of Your mystical supper. I will not tell the mystery to Your enemies, nor will I give You a kiss as did Judas, but like the thief I confess to You: remember me, O Lord, when You come into Your Kingdom.

Instead of "We have seen the true Light" and "Let our mouths be filled with Your praise, O Lord" we sing: (page 73)

Accept me this day, O Son of God, as a partaker of Your mystical supper. I will not tell the mystery to Your enemies, nor will I give You a kiss as did Judas, but like the thief I confess to You: remember me, O Lord, when You come into Your Kingdom.