

**Sunday of the Prodigal Son;
Pre-feast of the Encounter of our Lord God and Savior Jesus Christ**

Troparion, Tone 1: (page 29)

Though the stone was sealed by the Judeans,* and soldiers guarded Your most pure body,*
You arose, O Savior, on the third day,* and gave life to the world.* And so the heavenly powers
cried out to You, O Giver of Life:* Glory to Your resurrection, O Christ!* Glory to Your kingdom!*
Glory to Your saving plan,* O only Lover of mankind.

Troparion, Tone 1:

The heavenly choir of angels* has come down to the earth* to behold the First-born of creation*
born from an unwedded Mother* brought to the Temple as an Infant,* as the angels join us in
our expectant song.

† Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

Kontakion, Tone 3:

Foolishly have I fled from Your glory, O Father,* wasting the wealth You gave me on vices.*
Therefore, I offer You the words of the Prodigal:* Loving Father, I have sinned before You.*
Take me, for I repent, and make me as one of Your hired hands.

Now and for ever and ever. Amen.

Kontakion, Tone 6:

The Word invisible with the Father is now beheld in the flesh.* He is born ineffably of the Virgin*
and given to the high priest on the arms of the elder.* Let us worship Him as our true God!

Prokeimenon, Tone 1: (page 33)

Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us*, as we have hoped in You.*
verse: Rejoice in the Lord, O you just;* praise befits the righteous.

Alleluia, Tone 1: (page 33)

verse: God gives me vindication,* and has subdued people under me.
verse: Making great the salvation of the king,* and showing mercy to His anointed, to David,
and to His posterity forever.

Communion verse: (page 67)

Praise the Lord from the heavens;* praise Him in the highest. Alleluia. **(3X)**