SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6 **TONE 5**
14th Sunday after Pentecost
Commemoration of the Miracle of the Archangel Michael at Colossae

"Lord I Call..." Tone 5

Lord, I call upon You, hear me!
Hear me, O Lord!
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Receive the voice of my prayer,
when I call upon You!//
Hear me, O Lord!

Let my prayer arise
in Your sight as incense,
and let the lifting up of my hands
be an evening sacrifice!//
Hear me, O Lord!

℣. (10) *Bring my soul out of prison, that I may give thanks to Your Name!*

Tone 5 *(for the Resurrection)*

By Your precious Cross, O Christ,
You have put the devil to shame.
By Your Resurrection, You have blunted the sting of sin
and saved us from the gates of death.//
We glorify You, O only begotten One.

℣. (9) *The righteous will surround me, for You will deal bountifully with me.*

Christ was led as a sheep to the slaughter
in order to grant Resurrection to the human race.
The princes of hell were frightened by this,
for the gates of sorrow were lifted.
Christ the King of glory had entered,
saying to those in chains: "Go forth!"//
And to those in darkness: "Come to the light!"

℣. (8) *Out of the depths I cry to You, O Lord. Lord, hear my voice!*

O great wonder!
The Creator of the invisible suffered in the flesh in His love for man
and rose again immortal.
Come, O sons of nations,
let us worship Him,
for delivered from error by His compassion,//
we have learned to sing of one God in three Persons!

℣. (7) *Let Your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!*

(Resurrection stichera by Anatolius)

We offer You our evening worship,
O never setting Light,
Who came in these last days to the world in the flesh;
Who even descended to hell to dispel its darkness.
Who has revealed the light of Resurrection to the nations.//
Glory to You, O Lord and Giver of light!

℣. (6) *If You, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with You.*

We glorify the Leader of our salvation;
by His Resurrection from the dead,
the world was saved from deceit.
The assembly of Angels rejoices
as the deceit of demons is overthrown.//
Fallen Adam rises as the devil falls.

℣. (5) *For Your Name's sake I wait for You, O Lord. My soul has waited for Your word; my soul has hoped on the Lord.*

The guards were instructed by the lawless ones:
"Hide the rising of Christ, take money and say:
'The body was stolen from the tomb while we were asleep.'"
But who has heard of a body being stolen,
a body embalmed and naked,
with its grave clothes left behind in the tomb?
Do not be deceived, O Jews,
study the words of the Prophets and understand://
Christ is the Redeemer of the world and all powerful!

℣. (4) *From the morning watch until night, from the morning watch, let Israel hope on the Lord!*

Tone 4 *(for Archangel Michael)* *(As one valiant among the martyrs)*

O Michael, the Chief Captain,
you have been revealed as the brightest attendant of the triply-radiant Godhead.
Together with the heavenly powers you cry out with joy:
"Holy are You, O Father,
Holy are You, O Word, also without beginning,
Holy are You, O Holy Spirit:
one glory, one kingdom, one nature,//
one Godhead and power!"

℣. (3) *For with the Lord there is mercy and with Him is plenteous redemption, and He will deliver Israel from all his iniquities.*
℣. (2) *Praise the Lord, all nations! Praise Him, all peoples!*

O Michael, first of Angels,
fiery is your appearance and miraculous your beauty!
You traverse creation by your immaterial nature,
fulfilling the commands of the Creator of all.
By your might you are known as powerful,//
and you have made your temple, honored by your holy name, a source of healings.

℣. (1) *For His mercy is confirmed on us, and the truth of the Lord endures forever.*

O Lord, You make Your angels spirits, as it is written,
and Your ministers a flaming fire.
You, O Word, have declared Chief Captain Michael
as first among the ranks of Your archangels:
He submits to Your commands,//
and proclaims with fear the thrice-holy hymn to Your glory.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;

Tone 6 *(for Archangel Michael, by Byzantius)*

Rejoice with us, O Princes of the angelic Powers,
for your leader and our champion, the great Chief Captain,
gloriously appearing in his honored temple, sanctifies it!
Therefore, rightfully singing praises to him, we cry out:
"Save us under the protection of your wings,//
O Michael, the greatest archangel!"

now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Tone 5 *(Theotokion – Dogmatikon)*

In the Red Sea of old,
a type of the Virgin Bride was prefigured.
There Moses divided the waters;
here Gabriel assisted in the miracle.
There Israel crossed the sea without getting wet,
here the Virgin gave birth to Christ without seed.
After Israel's passage, the sea remained impassable;
after Emmanuel's birth, the Virgin remained a Virgin.
O ever-existing God Who appeared as Man,//
O Lord, have mercy on us!

Aposticha

Tone 5 *(for the Resurrection)*

We magnify You in songs of praise,
O incarnate Christ and Savior.
By accepting the Cross and death for our sake,
as the Lord and Lover of man,
You overthrew the gates of hell,//
and arose on the third day, saving our souls.

℣. *The Lord is King; He is robed in majesty!*

By being pierced in the side, O Lover of man,
You have poured out drops of life and salvation for all.
By accepting death in the flesh, You have granted us immortality.
You have freed us by being placed in the tomb,
and have resurrected us with Yourself in glory, as God.//
Glory to You, O Lord and Lover of man!

℣. *For He has established the world, so that it shall never be moved.*

Your crucifixion and descent into hell are awesome, O Lover of man.
You have captured it, releasing the ancient prisoners.
You have opened Paradise and given it to us.
Grant us purification of sins,
who glorify Your Resurrection on the third day!
Make us worthy of Paradise//
and save us, O Lover of man!

℣. *Holiness befits Your house, O Lord, forevermore!*

For our sake, You accepted death in the flesh,
to rise from the dead on the third day.
Heal us from our earthly passions,
and restore us from our evil transgressions;//
and save us, O Lover of man!

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Tone 8 *(for Archangel Michael, by John the Monk)*

Since you, O leader of hosts, are first in rank and champion among the Angels,
deliver from every oppression, sorrow, sickness, and sin
those who praise you sincerely and openly implore you!
Since you are immaterial, you clearly behold Him Who is without matter.
You shine with the unapproachable light of the glory of the Lord,
Who in His love for man took flesh for our sakes from a Virgin, //
when He willed to save mankind.

(at Great Vespers)

Tone 5 Troparion *(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.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,

Tone 4 Troparion *(Archangel Michael)*

O Michael, commander of the heavenly hosts,
we who are unworthy beseech you:
by your prayers encompass us beneath the wings of your immaterial glory,
and faithfully preserve us who fall down and cry out to you://
"Deliver us from all harm, for you are the commander of the Powers on high!"

now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Tone 4 Resurrectional Dismissal Theotokion

The mystery of all eternity,
unknown even by Angels,
through you, O Theotokos, is revealed to those on earth:
God incarnate by union without confusion.
He voluntarily accepted the Cross for us,
by which He resurrected the first-created man,//
saving our souls from death.