

Divine Liturgy Variables on December 13
Herman of Alaska, Enlightener of the Aleuts

Martyrs Eustratios, Auxentios, Eugene, Mardarios, and Orestes at Sebastia;
Virgin-martyr Lucia of Syracuse; Hieromartyr Gabriel, patriarch of Serbia

THE FIRST ANTIPHON

THE SECOND ANTIPHON

Save us, O Son of God, Who art wondrous in the Saints; who sing to Thee. Alleluia.

THE THIRD ANTIPHON

APOLYTIKION OF ST. HERMAN IN TONE FOUR

Blessed ascetic of the northern wilds and gracious intercessor for the whole world, teacher of the Orthodox Faith, good instructor of piety, adornment of Alaska and joy of all America, holy Father Herman, pray to Christ God that He save our souls. (cadence)

THE EISODIKON


Come, let us worship and fall down before Christ. Save us, O Son of God, Who art wondrous in the Saints; who sing to Thee. Alleluia.

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WHEN THOU O LORD

KONTAKION OF PREPARATION OF CHRIST'S NATIVITY - TONE 3



On this day the Vir - gin co - meth to the cave to give birth

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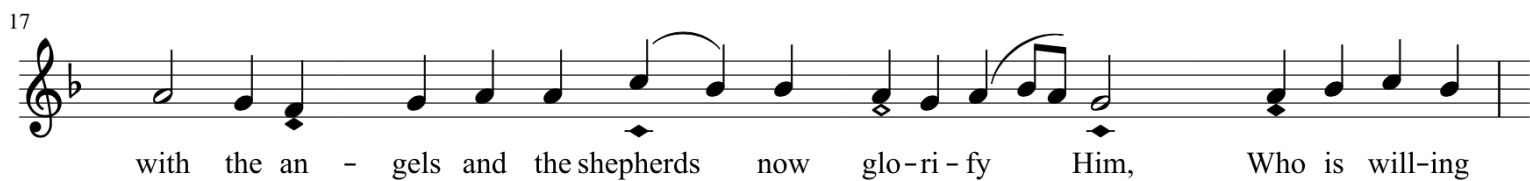
to God the Word in - e - ffa - bly Who was be - fore all the a - ges.

12



Dance for joy, O earth, on hear - ing the glad ti - dings;

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with the an - gels and the shepherds now glo - ri - fy Him, Who is will - ing

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to be ga - zed on, as a young child, Who be - fore the a - ges is

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God.

THE EPISTLE

Prokeimenon:

- 1. Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints. What shall I render to the Lord for all that He has given me?*

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Galatians. (5:22-6:2)

Brethren, the fruits of the Spirit are love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such there is no law. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit. Let us have no self-conceit, no provoking of one another, no envy of one another. Brethren, if a man is overtaken in any trespass, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Look to yourself, lest you too be tempted. Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.

Alleluia:

- 1. Thy priests shall be clothed with righteousness, and Thy righteous shall rejoice.*
- 2. For the Lord hath elected Zion, He hath chosen her to be a habitation for Himself.*



THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (6:17-23)

At that time, Jesus stood on a level place, with a great crowd of His Disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea and Jerusalem and the seacoast of Tyre and Sidon, who came to hear Him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all the crowd sought to touch Him, for power came forth from Him and healed them all. And Jesus lifted up His eyes on His Disciples, and said: “Blessed are you poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. Blessed are you that hunger now, for you shall be satisfied. Blessed are you that weep now, for you shall laugh. Blessed are you when men hate you, and when they exclude you and revile you, and cast out your name as evil, on account of the Son of man! Rejoice in that day, and leap for joy, for behold, your reward is great in Heaven.”

KOINONIKON IN TONE EIGHT

The righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance; he shall not fear evil tidings. Alleluia.

Communion Hymn - For Hierarchs - Tone 8

135 bpm



The righteous shall be in e - ver - la - sting
re - mem - brance; he shall not fear e - vil ti - dings.

Verses:

1. His heart is ready to hope in the Lord; his heart is established.
2. He shall not be afraid, until he look down upon his enemies.
3. He hath dispersed, he hath given to the poor, his righteousness abideth unto ages of ages; his horn shall be exalted with glory.