## 19th Sunday after Pentecost / Tone 2/ St. Chariton the Confessor

# At Lord, I Have Cried:

(Following is all the text for pages 29 and the top half of page 31. You do not need to flip between the sheet and the book)

**Stichos:** Bring my soul out of prison, that I may confess Thy name.

Come ye, let us worship God the Word, / Who was begotten of the Father before the ages, / And became incarnate of the Virgin Mary; / For having endured the Cross, / He gave Himself over to burial, as He Himself desired, / And having risen from the dead, / He hath saved me, a man astray.

**Stichos:**The righteous shall wait patiently for me, until Thou shalt reward me.

Christ our Saviour / Having nailed to the Cross the handwriting which is against us, / Hath erased it and abolished the might of death. / We worship His Resurrection on the third day.

**Stichos:** Out of the depths have I cried unto Thee, O Lord, / O Lord, hear my voice.

With the archangels let us hymn the Resurrection of Christ; / For He is the Deliverer and the Saviour of our souls; / And shall come again in awesome glory and mighty power / To judge the world which He hath created.

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**Stichos:** Let Thine ears be attentive, / to the voice of my supplication.

An Angel proclaimed thee, the crucified and buried Master, / and said to the women; / ‘Come, see where the Lord lay. / For as He foretold, He hath arisen as all-powerful’. / Therefore we worship Thee, the only Immortal One. / O Christ, giver of life, have mercy on us.

Tone 4 [Special melody “Thou hast granted a sign”]:

**Stichos:** If Thou shouldest mark iniquities, O Lord, O Lord, who shall stand? / For with Thee there is forgiveness.

By abstinence and through fervent prayer /thou didst cause the passions of thy body to wither up, /and with torrents of tears thou didst drown the deceitful serpent, O blessed one; /and thou wast well-pleasing in great measure unto God, O venerable Chariton. /Wherefore, Jesus, Who loveth mankind, the Savior of our souls, //hath adorned thee with heavenly gifts.

**Stichos:** For Thy name’s sake have I patiently waited for Thee, O Lord; my soul hath patiently waited for Thy word, / My soul hath hoped in the Lord.

By abstinence and through fervent prayer /thou didst cause the passions of thy body to wither up, /and with torrents of tears thou didst drown the deceitful serpent, O blessed one; /and thou wast well-pleasing in great measure unto God, O venerable Chariton. /Wherefore, Jesus, Who loveth mankind, the Savior of our souls, //hath adorned thee with heavenly gifts. **Continued on next page.**

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**Stichos:** From the morning watch until night, from the morning watch, / Let Israel hope in the Lord.

With the sweat of thy struggle /thou didst quench the burning coal of the passions, O right wondrous one, /thyself partaking of fire through thy wounds and pangs; /and thou didst confess the condescension of the incarnate Word /before the iniquitous tyrants, and wast a witness for Him, /arrayed in the wounds of thy many and varied torments, //O God-bearing Chariton who art most rich.

**Stichos:** For with the Lord there is mercy, and with Him is plenteous redemption; / And He shall redeem Israel out of all his iniquities.

With the sweat of thy struggle /thou didst quench the burning coal of the passions, O right wondrous one, /thyself partaking of fire through thy wounds and pangs; /and thou didst confess the condescension of the incarnate Word /before the iniquitous tyrants, and wast a witness for Him, /arrayed in the wounds of thy many and varied torments, //O God-bearing Chariton who art most rich.

**Stichos:** O praise the Lord, all ye nations; / Praise Him all ye peoples.

Fleeing, thou didst withdraw into the desert places and the mountains, /preserving thy soul undefiled, /and wast shown to be a habitation of the Trinity, O most sacred and blessed Chariton; /by the power thereof thou didst found sacred houses, O blessed one, /and monasteries for the edification in salvation of monastics //who honor thy holy memory, O ever-memorable one. **Continued on next page.**

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**Stichos:** For He hath made His mercy to prevail over us, / And the truth of the Lord abideth forever.

Fleeing, thou didst withdraw into the desert places and the mountains, /preserving thy soul undefiled, /and wast shown to be a habitation of the Trinity, O most sacred and blessed Chariton; /by the power thereof thou didst found sacred houses, O blessed one, /and monasteries for the edification in salvation of monastics //who honor thy holy memory, O ever-memorable one.

Glory …Tone 4:

Tone 4: O God-bearing Chariton, /even after death thou livest in Christ in the heavens, /for Whose sake thou didst crucify thyself to the world; /for, being above the flesh and the world, /thou didst truly live, transcending visible things. /Yet thou didst not live for thyself alone, /but Christ our God dwelt within thee. /Him do thou entreat, //that our souls be saved.

Both now … Tone 2:

Dogmatic Theotokion, Tone 2:

The shadow of the law hath passed away when grace arrived, / For, as the bush wrapped in flame did not burn,/ So, the Virgin gave birth and yet remained a Virgin. / In place of the pillar of fire, / The Sun of Righteousness hath stone forth. / Instead of Moses, Christ, is come, / The Salvation of our souls.

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**The prokimenon for Vespers:**

Deacon: Let us attend!

Priest: Peace be unto all!

Deacon: Wisdom! Let us attend!

On Saturday evenings, in tone 6:

Reader: The Lord is King, He is clothed with majesty.

Deacon: Wisdom.

Reader: The Reading is from the Wisdom of Solomon:.

Deacon: Let us attend.

Wisdom of Solomon: (3:1-9)

Reader: The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and there shall no torment touch them. In the sight of the unwise they seemed to die: and their departure is taken for misery, and their going from us to be utter destruction: but they are in peace. For though they be punished in the sight of men, yet is their hope full of immortality. And having been a little chastised, they shall be greatly rewarded: for God proved them, and found them worthy for himself. As gold in the furnace hath he tried them, and received them as a burnt offering. And in the time of their visitation they shall shine, and run to and fro like sparks among the stubble. They shall judge the nations, and have dominion over the people, and their Lord shall reign for ever. They that put their trust in him shall understand the truth: and such as be faithful in love shall abide with him: for grace and mercy is to his saints, and he hath care for his elect.

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Deacon: Wisdom.

Reader: The Reading is from the Wisdom of Solomon:

Deacon: Let us attend.

Wisdom of Solomon (5:15-6:3)

Reader: The righteous live for evermore; their reward also is with the Lord, and the care of them is with the Most High. Therefore shall they receive a glorious kingdom, and a beautiful crown from the Lord's hand: for with his right hand shall He cover them, and with His arm shall He protect them. He shall take to Him His jealousy for complete armor, and make the creature His weapon for the revenge of His enemies. He shall put on righteousness as a breastplate, and true judgment for an invincible shield. His severe wrath shall He sharpen for a sword, and the world shall fight with Him against the unwise. Then shall the right-aiming thunderbolts go abroad; and from the clouds, as from a well drawn bow, shall they be cast as out of a stone bow, and the water of the sea shall rage against them, and the floods shall cruelly drown them. Yea, a mighty wind shall stand up against them, and like a storm shall blow them away: thus iniquity shall lay waste the whole earth, and ill dealing shall overthrow the thrones of the mighty. Hear, therefore, O ye kings, and understand; learn, ye that be judges of the ends of the earth. Give ear, ye that rule the people, and glory in the multitude of nations. For power is given you by the Lord, and sovereignty from the Most High.

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Deacon: Wisdom.

Reader: The Reading is from the Wisdom of Solomon:

Deacon: Let us attend.

Wisdom of Solomon (4:7-15)

Reader: Though the righteous be prevented with death, yet shall he be in rest. For honourable age is not that which standeth in length of time, nor that is measured by number of years. But wisdom is the grey hair unto men, and an unspotted life is old age. He pleased God, and was beloved of Him: so that living among sinners he was translated. Yea, speedily was he taken away, lest that wickedness should alter his understanding, or deceit beguile his soul. For the bewitching of naughtiness doth obscure things that are honest; and the wandering of concupiscence doth undermine the simple mind. He, being made perfect in a short time, fulfilled a long time: for his soul pleased the Lord; therefore hastened He to take him away from among the wicked. This the people saw, and understood not, neither laid they up this in their minds: that His grace and mercy is with His saints, and that He hath respect unto His chosen.

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## Aposticha

Aposticha: Octoechos; G: Saint (We honor thee); N: Theotokion, Tone 8 (O unwedded Virgin).

The Resurrection Aposticha, tone 2: Thy Resurrection, O Christ our Saviour, / hath enlightened the whole universe; / and Thou hast called forth Thy creation. / O Lord Almighty, glory be to Thee!

**Stichos:** The Lord is King, He is clothed with majesty.

By the tree, O Saviour, hast Thou abolished the curse, / Which began with the tree, / By Thy burial hast Thou put the might of death to death, / And by Thine arising Thou hast illumined our race; / Wherefore, we cry out to Thee; / 'O Christ our God, Bestower of life, glory be to Thee!'

**Stichos:** For He hath established the world which

shall not be shaken.

Appearing, nailed to the Cross, O Christ, /

Thou didst alter the beauty of created things; / The soldiers, displaying their inhumanity / Pierced Thy side with a lance, / And the jews, refusing to acknowledge Thine authority, / Asked that Thy tomb be sealed. / O Lord Who in the lovingkindness of Thy compassion / Didst accept burial and rise on the third day,/ Glory be to Thee!

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**Stichos:** Holiness becometh Thy house, O Lord, unto length of days.

O Christ, Thou Bestower of life, / Who of Thine own will endured suffering for the sake of mortal men,/ As One mighty Thou didst descend into hades,/ And there, having rescued from the mighty beast them that awaited Thy coming / Thou gavest them to live in Paradise instead of hades./ Wherefore, grant also cleansing from sins and great mercy unto us,/

Who glorify Thine arising on the third day.

Glory … Tone 8:

tone 8: We honor thee, O Chariton our father, the instructor of a multitude of monks; for we have truly learned to walk aright in thy steps. Blessed art thou who, having labored for Christ, didst denounce the power of the enemy. O converser with angels, companion of the venerable and of the righteous: with them entreat the Lord, that our souls find mercy.

both now ...

Theotokion, Tone 8: O unwedded Virgin who ineffably conceived God in the flesh, / Mother of God most High: / Accept the entreaties of thy servants, O most immaculate one, / Granting unto all cleansing of transgressions; / And accepting now our supplication, // Pray that we all be saved.

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# Troparion & Theotokian of the Day

Resurrectional troparion: Tone 2:

When Thou didst descend unto death, O Life Immortal, / then didst Thou slay hades with the lightning of Thy Divinity. / And when Thou didst also raise the dead out of the nethermost depths, / all the Hosts of the heavens cried out: / 'O Life-giver, Christ our God, glory be to Thee'.(2)

Glory …

Troparion, Tone 8:

With the streams of thy tears thou didst cultivate the barrenness of the desert, and with sighs from the depths of thy soul thou didst bring forth the fruit of thy labors a hundredfold; and thou wast a beacon for the whole world, shining with miracles. O Chariton our father, entreat Christ God, that our souls be saved.

both now ...

Theotokion, same tone: O Good One, Who for our sake wast born of the Virgin / And, having endured crucifixion, cast down death by death, / And as God revealed the resurrection: / Disdain not that which Thou hast fashioned with Thine own hand. / Show forth Thy love for mankind, O Merciful One; / Accept the Theotokos who gave Thee birth and prayeth for us, / And save Thy despairing people, O our Savior!