

**TROPAR OF SUNDAY IN TONE-7.**

You destroyed death by Your Cross. You opened paradise to the thief. You changed the Myrrh-Bearers weeping and commanded Your apostles to proclaim that You are risen, O Christ God, granting the world great mercy.

**TROPAR OF THE HOLY CROSS IN TONE – 1.**

O Lord, save Your people and bless Your Inheritance! / Grant victory to Orthodox Christians over their adversaries, and by Your Cross preserve Your Commonwealth.

**GLORY** to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

**NOW AND FOREVER** and to the ages of ages. Amen.

**KONDAK OF THE HOLY CROSS IN TONE – 7.**

The flaming sword no longer guards the gates of Paradise. / It has been mysteriously extinguished by the Wood of the Cross. / The sting of death and the victory of hades have been vanquished. For You, O my Savior, came and cried to those in hades: / Enter again, into Paradise.

**MATINS:** Gospel. 7. Reading 63. Jn. 20 : 1 – 10.

**EPISTLE:** Hebrews. Reading 311. Heb. 4 : 14 – 5 : 6.

**GOSPEL:** Mark. Reading 37. Mk. 8 : 34 – 9 : 1.

**COMMUNION VERSE:**

“ The light of Your Countenance, O Lord, has been signed upon us. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia !”

**INSTEAD OF THE TRISAGION HYMN:**

“Before Your Cross we bow down, O Master and Your Holy Resurrection we glorify.” ( Thrice.)

**INSTEAD OF:** “IT IS TRULY MEET .....IN TONE 8 FROM THE OCTOECHOS.

“All of creation rejoices in you, O full of Grace, the assembly of angels and the race of men. O sanctified temple and spiritual paradise, the glory of virgins, from whom God, was incarnate and became a child-our God before the ages. He made your body into a throne, and your womb He made more spacious than the heavens. All of creation rejoices in you, O Full of Grace. Glory to you !”

**PRIEST** : “ Let us be attentive – Peace be with you all.”  
**CHOIR** : “ And to your spirit.”  
**PRIEST** : “ Wisdom.”  
**READER** : “ PROKIMEN IN TONE – 6. O Lord, save Your people, and bless Your inheritance.”  
**CHOIR** : “ O Lord, save Your people, and bless Your inheritance.”  
**READER** : “ O Lord, to You, will I call. O my God, be not silent unto me.”  
**CHOIR** : “ O Lord, save Your people, and bless Your inheritance.”  
**READER** : “ O Lord, save Your people.”  
**CHOIR** : “ And bless Your inheritance.”

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#### THE EPISTLE

**READER** : “ The reading is from the Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Hebrews.”

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**PRIEST** : “ Wisdom.”  
**READER** : “ The reading is from ( Name of Epistle ).”  
**PRIEST** : “ Let us be attentive.”  
**READER** : “ ( reads the designated epistle lection.)”  
**PRIEST** : “ Peace be unto you reader.”  
**READER** : “ And to your spirit.”  
**PRIEST** : “ Wisdom.”  
**READER** : “ ALLELUIA IN TONE – 1. Alleluia.”  
**CHOIR** : “ Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.”  
**READER** : “ Remember Your congregation which You have purchased from the beginning. Alleluia.”  
**CHOIR** : “ Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.”  
**READER** : “ God is our King from before the ages, He has wrought salvation in the midst of the earth. Alleluia.”  
**CHOIR** : “ Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.”

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