**27. DECEMBER. 2020. 29-th. SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST. TONE – 4.**

 **SUNDAY OF THE HOLY FOREFATHERS.**

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**TROPAR OF SUNDAY IN TONE – 4.**

 When the women disciples of the Lord learned from the angel the joyous

message of Your Resurrection, they cast away the ancestral curse and with gladness told the apostles; Death is overthrown. Christ God is risen, granting

the world great mercy.

**TROPAR TO THE HOLY ANCESTORS IN TONE – 2.**

 Through faith You justified the Forefathers when through them You betrothed Yourself to the Church from among the nations. The saints exult in glory, that from their seed came a blessed fruit: She who bore You without seed. By their prayers, O Christ God, have mercy on us.

**GLORY** to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and forever and to the ages of ages. Amen.

**KONDAK IN TONE – 6.**

 You would not worship a hand-made image, O thrice-blessed ones, but armed with the boundless essence of God, You were glorified in a trial by fire. Standing in the midst of unbearable flames You called on God: Hasten, O Compassionate One, come quickly to our defense, since You are merciful; for You are able if it be Your will.

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**COMMUNION VERSE:**

“ Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest. Alleluia.”

“ Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous, praise befits the upright. Alleluia.”

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**MATINS:** John: 7. Reading 63. Jn. 20 : 1 - 10.

**EPISTLE:** Colossians. Reading 257. Col. 3 : 4 - 11.

**GOSPEL:** Luke. Reading 76. Lk. 14 : 16 - 24.

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**PRIEST** : “ Let us be attentive – Peace be unto all.”

**CHOIR** : “ And to your spirit.”

**PRIEST** : “ Wisdom.”

**READER : “ PROKIMEN IN TONE – 4.** Blessed are You, Lord God of our Fathers,

 and praised and glorified is Your Name to the ages.”

**CHOIR** : “ Blessed are You, Lord God of our Fathers, and praised and glorified

 is Your Name to the ages.”

**READER** : “ For You are righteous in all that You have done for us.”

**CHOIR** : “ Blessed are You, Lord God of our Fathers, and praised and glorified

 is Your Name to the ages.”

**READER** : “ Blessed are You, Lord God of our Fathers.”

**CHOIR** : “ And praised and glorified is Your Name to the ages.”

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**THE EPISTLE**

**PRIEST** : “ Let us be attentive.”

**READER** : “ ( reads the designated epistle ).”

**PRIEST** : “ Peace be unto you reader.”

**READER** : “ And to your spirit.”

**PRIEST** : “ Wisdom.”

**READER** : “ **ALLELUIA IN TONE – 4.** Alleluia.”

**CHOIR** : “ Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.”

**READER** : “ Moses and Aaron are among His priests and Samuel among them

 that call upon His Name. Alleluia.”

**CHOIR** : “ Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.”

**READER** : “ They called upon the Lord and He hearkened unto them. Alleluia.”

**CHOIR** : “ Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.”

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