**18. SEPTEMBER. 2022. 14-th. SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST. TONE – 5.**

 **HOLY PROPHET ZACHARIAH FATHER OF THE FORERUNNER.**

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**TROPAR OF SUNDAY IN TONE – 5.**

 Let us, the faithful, praise and worship the Word, co-eternal with the Father and the Spirit, born for our salvation of the Virgin. For in His Good will He was lifted up on the Cross in the flesh to suffer death and to raise the dead by His glorious Resurrection.

**TROPAR OF THE TEMPLE (ST. ELIA) IN TONE-4.**
 An angel incarnate, the foundation of prophets and second forerunner of the coming of Christ, glorious Elias sent grace from on high to Elisha to cast out sickness and cleanse lepers. Therefore he pours forth healing for all who honour him.

**TROPAR OF PROPHET IN TONE -4.**

 In the vestments of a priest, according to the Law of God, thou didst offer unto Him well-pleasing whole-burnt offerings, as it befitted a priest, O wise Zechariah. Thou wast a shining light, a seer of mysteries, bearing in thyself clearly signs of grace; and in God's temple, O wise Prophet of Christ God, thou wast slain with the sword. Hence, with the Forerunner, make entreaty that our souls find salvation.

**KONDAK OF SUNDAY IN ONE – 5.**

 You descended into Hades, O my Saviour, destroying its gates as the Almighty, resurrecting the dead as Creator and destroying the sting of death. You have delivered Adam from the curse, O Lover of Mankind, and we all cry out to You: save us O Lord.

**KONDAK OF TEMPLE (ST. ELIA) IN TONE-2.** O greatly renowned Prophet Elias, who foresaw the great deeds of our God; you stopped the rains of heaven by your command. Intercede for us with the only Lover of mankind.

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

**KONDAK IN TONE -3.**

 Today Zachariah, the prophet and high priest of the Most High, the father of the Forerunner, setteth the table of his memorial, feeding the faithful; for he hath distributed the food of righteousness unto all. Therefore, he hath reposed as a divine initiate of the mysteries of the grace of God.

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

**THEOTOKION IN TONE – 6.**

 O Protection of Christians that cannot be put to shame, unchanging mediation unto the Creator, do not despise the suppliant voices of sinners, but be quick to come to our aid, O Good One, who in faith cry out to You: hasten to intercession and come quickly to make supplication, for You, O Theotokos, always protect those who honour You.

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**COMMUNION VERSE:**

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

“ The righteous man shall be in everlasting remembrance. He shall not fear evil

 tidings. Alleluia.”

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**MATINS:** Gosp. Mark. 3. Reading 71. Mk. 16 : 9 - 20.

**EPISTLE:** 11 Corinthians. Reading 170. 11 Cor. 1 : 21 - 2 : 4.

 Hebrews. Reading 314. Heb. 6 : 13 - 20.

**GOSPEL:** Matthew. Reading 89. Mt. 22 : 2 - 14.

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**READER : “ PROKIMEN IN TONE – 5.** You, O Lord, shall protect us and preserve us

 from this generation and forever.”

**CHOIR :** “You, O Lord, shall protect us and preserve us from this generation

 and forever.”

**READER :** “ O Lord, save me for there is no longer any righteous man.”

**CHOIR :** “You, O Lord, shall protect us and preserve us from this generation

 and forever.”

**READER : “ ANOTHER PROKIMEN IN TONE – 4.** The righteous man shall rejoice in the

 Lord, and hope in Him.”

**CHOIR : “** The righteous man shall rejoice in the Lord, and hope in Him.”

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**THE EPISTLE**

**READER : “ ALLELUIA IN TONE – 5.** Of Your mercies O Lord, I will sing forever;

 unto generation and generation I will proclaim Your truth with my mouth.”

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

**READER :** “ You have said: Mercy will be established forever and My Truth will

 be prepared in the heavens.”

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

**READER : “ ANOTHER ALLELUIA IN TONE – 5.** A light has shone forth upon the

 righteous, and joy for the upright in heart.”

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

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