

The 14th Day of November



Commemoration of the Holy and All-praised Apostle Philip; also, the commemoration of St. Gregory Palamas, Abp. of Thessalonica, whose service follows after this. — *incomplete as of 12/2020.*

Vespers

After the Introductory Psalm, “**Blessèd is the man...**,” the first Kathisma.

At “**Lord, I call...**,” **8 stichera, in Tone 6:** *To the melody, “Having set all aside...”*

Devoting thine actions to the ascent of true vision, O blessèd one, /
Having as the goal of thy vision thy love for God, /
Thou didst beseech Christ to show thee the ineffable glory of the Father, /
For, indeed, every reason-endowed creature yearns for the manifestation of God; /
And thou didst straightway receive the object of thy desire, O glorious one, /
When thou didst accept the Son as the Image of the Father. ///
Therefore, entreat Him with boldness on behalf of our souls! *(thrice)*

Being instructed in the divine ascents as was Moses of old, /
Thou didst long to behold the glory of God, /
And thou didst indeed, behold Him in spirit when gazing upon His Image; /
For to know the Son is to know the Father whose manifestation He is, /
For the Son is known to be of One essence with Him, /
As is their unity, kingdom, power, and glory ///
That are worshipped by all. *(thrice)*

Thou, O holy Apostle Philip, /
Wast an instrument of the Holy Spirit /
Sounding with inspiration divine, /
Singing to the world the transcendent Gospel of the Savior; /
And thy fiery words consumed all falsehood and lies /
As if they were brushwood and chaff /
When thou didst preach to the world Christ as the Lord and Master of all. *(twice)*

Glory..., in the same Tone: *(the composition of the Emperor Leo VI, of Byzantium)*

Illumined by the great Light, O holy Apostle Philip, /
Thou didst shine as a great lamp unto all the world; /
For having sought the Father of lights within the Son, /
Thou didst find Him in whose Light we see Light. /
He is the true Image who, by His likeness, reveals the true Image of God! /
Entreat Him now, O Philip, thou holy Apостle of the Lord, ///
That we who have been sealed by His divine blood may be saved!

Now and ever..., Dogmatic Theotokion, in the same Tone:

Who will not bless thee, O Most Holy Virgin? /
Who will not sing of thy most pure childbearing? /
The Only-begotten Son shone timelessly from the Father, /
But from thee He was ineffably incarnate; /
God by nature, yet man for our sake; /
Not two persons, but one in two natures. /
Entreat Him, O pure and all-blessèd Lady, ///
To have mercy on our souls.

Or, on Friday or Saturday Evening, the Dogmatic Theotokion in the Tone of the Week.

The Entrance and the Prokeimenon of the Day.

Three Readings:

The Reading from the First General Epistle of Peter: (1 Peter 1:1-2:6)

^{1:1} **P**eter, an apostle of Jesus Christ, to the pilgrims scattered throughout Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia, elect ²according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through sanctification of the Spirit, unto obedience and sprinkling of the Blood of Jesus Christ: grace unto you and peace be multiplied. ³Blessèd be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant mercy hath begotten us again to a living hope through the Resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, ⁴to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled that cannot fade, reserved in heaven for you, ⁵who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation, ready to be revealed in the last time. ⁶In this ye greatly rejoice, though now for a little while, if need be, ye have been grieved by various trials, ⁷that the trial of your faith, being much more precious than gold that perishes, though it is tested by fire, may be found unto praise and honor and

glory at the revelation of Jesus Christ, ⁸whom having not seen you love. Though now you do not see Him, yet believing, you rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory, ⁹receiving the end of your faith, even the salvation of your souls. ¹⁰Of this salvation the prophets have inquired and searched diligently, who prophesied of the grace that should come unto you, ¹¹searching what, or what manner of time, the Spirit of Christ, which was in them did signify, when It testified beforehand the sufferings of Christ, and the glory that should follow. ¹²Unto them it was revealed that, not unto themselves, but unto us they did minister the things which now have been reported unto you through those who have preached the Gospel unto you by the Holy Spirit sent down from heaven; things into which the angels desire to look. ¹³Therefore, gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and rest your hope fully upon the grace that is to be brought unto you at

the revelation of Jesus Christ; ¹⁴as obedient children, not conforming yourselves to the former lusts, as in your ignorance; ¹⁵but as He who called you is Holy, so be ye also holy in all your conduct, ¹⁶because it is written, “You shall be holy, for I am Holy.” ¹⁷And if ye call on the Father, who without partiality judges according to each one’s work, pass the time of your sojourning here in fear; ¹⁸knowing that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, like silver or gold, from your vain conduct received by tradition from your fathers, ¹⁹but with the precious Blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot. ²⁰Who truly was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you, ²¹who through Him do believe in God, who raised Him from the dead and gave Him glory, so that your faith and hope might be in God. ²²Since you have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit in sincere love of the brethren, see that ye love one another fervently

with a pure heart, ²³being born again, not of corruptible seed but of incorruptible, by the Word of God which lives and abides forever, ²⁴for “all flesh is as grass, and all the glory of man as the flower of the grass. The grass withers, and its flower falls away, ²⁵but the Word of the Lord endureth forever.” And this is the Word which by the Gospel is preached unto you. ^{2:1}Therefore, laying aside all malice, and all guile, and hypocrisy, and envy, and all detractions, ²as newborn babes, desire the rational milk of the word, that you may grow thereby, ³if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. ⁴Coming unto Him as unto a living stone, rejected indeed by men, but chosen by God and precious, ⁵ye also, as living stones, are being built up a spiritual house, a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God by Jesus Christ. ⁶Therefore it is also said in the Scripture, “Behold, I lay in Sion a chief cornerstone, elect, precious: and he that believeth in Him shall not be put to shame.

The Reading from the First General Epistle of Peter: (1 Peter 2:21-3:9)

^{2:21}**M**y beloved, Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow His steps: ²² “who did not sin, neither was guile found in His mouth”; ²³who, when He was reviled, did not revile in return; when He suffered, did not threaten, but committed Himself to Him that judges righteously; ²⁴who Himself bore our sins in His own Body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live unto righteousness, by whose stripes you were healed. ²⁵For you were

like sheep going astray, but are now returned unto the Shepherd and Guardian of your souls. ^{3:1}Wives, likewise, be subject to your own husbands, that even if some do not obey the word, they, without a word, may be won by the conduct of their wives, ²when they observe your chaste conduct accompanied by fear. ³Do not let your beauty be merely the outward adorning of arranging the hair, and of wearing gold, or of putting on fine apparel; ⁴but rather

let it be the hidden person of the heart, with the incorruptible ornament of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is very precious in the sight of God. ⁵For in this manner, in former times, the holy women who trusted in God also adorned themselves, being submissive to their own husbands, ⁶even as Sarah obeyed Abraham, calling him lord, whose daughters you are if you do good and are not afraid with any terror. ⁷Husbands, likewise, dwell with them

with understanding, giving honor unto the wife, as unto the weaker vessel, and as being heirs together of the grace of life, that your prayers may not be hindered. ⁸Finally, all of you be of one mind, having compassion for one another; love as brothers, be kindhearted, be courteous; ⁹not rendering evil for evil, or reviling for reviling, but on the contrary blessing, knowing that you were called unto this, that you may inherit a blessing.

The Reading from the First General Epistle of Peter: (1 Peter 4:1-11)

^{4:1}**M**y beloved, forasmuch as Christ suffered for us in the flesh, arm yourselves also with the same mind, for he that hath suffered in the flesh hath ceased from sin, ²that he no longer should live the rest of his time in the flesh to the desires of men, but to the will of God. ³For we have spent enough of our past life in doing the will of the Gentiles—when we walked in lewdness, lusts, drunkenness, revelries, banquetings, and abominable idolatries. ⁴In regard to these, they think it strange that you do not run with them in the same flood of dissipation, speaking evil of you. ⁵They will give an account to Him who is ready to judge the living and the dead. ⁶For this reason the Gospel was preached also to them that

are dead, that they might be judged according to men in the flesh, but live according to God in the spirit. ⁷But the end of all things is at hand; be ye therefore sober and watchful in your prayers. ⁸And above all things have fervent love for one another, for “love shall cover a multitude of sins.” ⁹Be hospitable to one another without grumbling. ¹⁰As each one hath received a gift, minister it to one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God. ¹¹If anyone speaks, let him speak as the words of God. If anyone ministers, let him do it as with the ability which God supplies, so that God may in all things be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom belong glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

At the Litya, the sticheron of the temple, and these of the Apostle, in Tone 4:
To the melody, “As one valiant among the martyrs....”

Submitting to the call of the Teacher /
Who wholly enlightened thine understanding /
And revealed thee as an honored ap^ostle /
And a divine herald of His unapproachable Divinity, /

THE HOLY AND ALL-PRAISED APOSTLE PHILIP

With the rod of grace, thou didst draw out men from the depths of vanity ///
O most blessed Philip.

The radiance of the Holy Spirit /
Descended upon thee taking the form of fire, /
And made of thee a divine habitation, O blessed one. /
Quickly didst thou disperse the gloom of ungodliness /
And enlightened the world with the brilliance of thy divine words, /
O thou proclamation of the divine mysteries, ///
Adornment of the apostles, and eye-witness of Christ.

Having illumined those sitting in the darkness of ignorance /
With the lightning bolts of thy preaching /
Thou didst reveal them, by their faith, O glorious one, /
To be the children of our God and Master; /
And thou didst emulate His suffering and death /
Thus becoming an heir to His glory, ///
O wise herald of God and disciple of Truth.

Glory..., in Tone 2:

Forsaking all the cares of the world /
Thou didst follow after Christ /
And being inspired by the Holy Spirit /
Thou didst go unto the gentiles who were perishing in darkness /
And brought them to the light of the knowledge of God. /
And completing thy divine struggles and suffering /
Thou didst commend thy soul to Christ, /
Entreat Him now, O most blessed Apostle Philip, ///
That He may grant our souls great mercy.

Now and ever..., Theotokion, in the same Tone:

In thee I place my whole trust, /
O Mother of God, ///
Keep me under thy protection!

At the Aposticha, these stichera, in Tone 1: To the melody, "Joy of the ranks of heaven..."

The sound of thy proclamations has resounded throughout all the earth, /
O blessed Apostle, /
And have filled it with the dogmas of theology. /

By which, we mystically glorify the Son, ///
Who is of one essence with the Father and the Spirit!

Verse: Their proclamation is gone out into all the earth, and their words to the ends
of the universe!

O thrice-blessed Philip, /
We have thee as the lamp-bearer of the apostles of Christ, /
And a luminary of the holy Church /
Who enlightens all our souls; /
And now, we are delivered from every sorrow and misfortune ///
By thy holy prayers, O all-praised one!

Verse: The heavens are telling the glory of God, and the firmament proclaims His
handiwork!

Having completed thy course upon thy cross of suffering /
Thou wast worthily given a crown of victory, /
And entering into the high place of the kingdom, O Apostle Philip, /
Thou standest now before Christ the King, ///
Ever praying that our souls may be saved!

Glory..., Tone 2:

With the fragrant words of thy lips thou hast perfumed all the earth /
O wise Apostle Philip, /
And drawing deeply from the life-giving waters /
Thou hast given drink to all the faithful. /
For being possessed of works which ascend to visions divine /
Thou didst become a follower and herald of Christ; /
And with divine teachings, thou didst adorn the barren assembly of the Gentiles /
With countless children for Him. /
Pray now, that they all be delivered from every danger and necessity ///
For thou art able to accomplish much having drawn near to Him.

Now and ever..., Theotokion, in the same Tone:

Behold a new wonder greater than all the miracles of old: /
Who has ever known a mother to bear a child without a man, /
And hold in her arms Him who encompasses the whole creation? /
It was the will of God to be born /
And thou, O all-pure Virgin, hast carried Him, an infant in thine arms. /
The boldness of a mother is therefore thine. /

THE HOLY AND ALL-PRAISED APOSTLE PHILIP

Do thou pray to Him without ceasing for us who honor thee, ///
Entreat Him to save our souls and to have mercy on us.

The Troparion of St. Philip, in Tone 3:

O holy Apostle Philip /
Intercede with our merciful God, /
That He may grant to our souls ///
The forgiveness of our transgressions.

Another Troparion of St. Philip, in the same Tone:

The whole earth is splendidly adorned, /
And Ethiopia dances for joy, /
For, now she is graced with a beautiful crown /
Having been enlightened by thee, /
And she celebrates thy blessed memory,
O Philip, thou holy apostle; /
For thou didst instruct all to believe in Christ /
And didst complete thy course in a manner worthy of the Gospel. /
For this, the land of Ethiopia boldly lifts her hands to God. ///
Beseech Him to grant us great mercy.

Glory ..., now and ever..., Theotokion, in the same Tone:

We hymn thee who hast mediated the salvation of our race, /
O Virgin Mother of God; /
For thy Son and our God, accepting suffering on the Cross in the flesh He had
received of thee, /
Hath delivered us from corruption, ///
In that He is the Lover of mankind.

Matins

After “God is the Lord,” the Troparion of the Apostle (twice), Glory..., now and ever..., and the Resurrectional Theotokion, in Tone 3:

We sing thy praises, O Virgin Theotokos /
Who dost intercede for the salvation of our race; /
For thy Son and our God, /
Taking flesh from thee and accepting to suffer through the Cross ///
Hath delivered us from corruption in His love for mankind.

After the 1st Kathisma, the Sessional Hymn, in Tone 1: To the melody, “Thy tomb, O Savior....”

O apostle, eye-witness and martyr of Christ, /
Philip the wise, the blessèd friend of God, /
Through thy prayers, free those who celebrate thy memory from the bondage of sin ///
That by the power of the Spirit they may inherit the kingdom of heaven. (twice)

Glory..., now and ever..., Theotokion, in the same Tone:

Let us praise thee, O Virgin, /
The bush unconsumed by fire which Moses beheld; /
The radiant cloud, the ark and the mountain of God;
The great vessel and spiritual banquet well-pleasing to God; /
The most splendid and impassible gate; ///
And the palace of the King on high.

After the 2nd Kathisma, the Sessional Hymn, in Tone 5: To the melody: The co-unoriginate Word...

O disciple of the Word and preacher of the Truth, /
Thou wast sent, like a flaming arrow to illumine those bound by the darkness of sin, /
To drive away the fog of ungodliness from the world /
That the faithful may shine forth as the children of the day, ///
O holy Philip, the eye-witness of God. (twice)

Glory..., now and ever..., Theotokion, in the same Tone:

In thee we place our hope, O most pure Virgin, /
Having the firm assurance of thy protection: /
Deliver us from every danger and misfortune, /
And from the evil attacks of the enemy, /
And save us, as we entreat thy Son and God, ///
And together with the apostles sing thy praises.

Polyeley and Magnification:

We magnify thee, O holy Apostle of Christ Philip, and we honor thy labors and sufferings which thou didst endure in proclaiming Christ.

Selected Psalm verses:

The heavens are telling the glory of God, and the firmament proclaims His handiwork!
The heavens shall confess Thy wonders, O Lord, and Thy truth in the congregation of the saints!

After the Polyeley, the Sessional Hymn, in Tone 8: To the melody, "Of Wisdom...."

Destroying the pride of idolatry, /

THE HOLY AND ALL-PRAISED APOSTLE PHILIP

And desiring the sufferings of the Savior, /
Thou didst show thyself a teacher to the nations. /
And from heaven wast thou revealed to the world, /
Pouring forth miracles to all, O blessed one. /
Therefore, we worthily honor thee, /
And singing thy praises, we magnify thee: /
O divinely eloquent Apostle Philip, /
Pray Christ God to grant the remission of sins ///
To those honoring with love thy holy memory. *(twice)*

Glory ... now and ever..., Theotokion, in the same Tone:

Having fallen into the clever snares of mine enemies /
Both visible and invisible, /
And beset by the storms of my countless transgressions, /
I run to the harbor of thy goodness and warmth of thy protection. /
Therefore, O pure Lady, earnestly pray on our behalf /
To the One ineffably born incarnate without seed, /
That all thy servants, who unceasingly and worthily praise thee /
May receive the remission of their sins.

1st Antiphon of the 4th Tone (The Song of Ascents), “From my youth...”

The Prokeimenon, in Tone 4:

Their proclamation is gone out into all the earth / and their words to the ends of the universe! *Verse:* The heavens are telling the glory of God, and the firmament proclaims His handiwork!

Let every breath praise the Lord!...

Gospel: (67) John 21:15-25

After Psalm 50 (51), the Post-Gospel sticheron of St. Philip, in Tone 6:

O most wise fisherman, /
O holy disciple and husbandman of the Savior;
Worker in the vineyard of the Savior and preacher of His Passion, /
Thou didst traverse the world with faith; /
Gathering together the deluded nations /
And bringing them all to God; /
As an offering of sweet-smelling incense thou hast ascended to heaven /
Where thou standest now before the Judge of all: /
Pray that we may be delivered from all our transgressions ///
And from all torments on Judgment Day.

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The Canon

The Supplicatory Canon to the Theotokos (*the Paraklesis*), with 6 troparia, including the Irmos, and that of the Saint, with 8 troparia.

Ode 1

The Supplicatory Canon to the Theotokos, Tone 8

Irmos: *Having crossed the water as though it were dry land and escaped from the wickedness of the Egyptians, the children of Israel cried aloud: Let us sing to our Redeemer and our God.*

Refrain: Most Holy Theotokos, save us!

Distressed by many temptations, I flee to thee, seeking salvation. O Virgin and Mother of the Word, deliver me from my burdens and afflictions.

The increase of passions troubles me and fills me with great distress. Calm my soul, O Maiden, by the peace of thy Son and God, O all-blameless one.

I implore thee who gavest birth to our Savior and God, O Virgin: deliver me from perils, for, fleeing now unto thee for refuge, I lift up both my soul and my thoughts before thee.

Ailing am I in body and soul; do thou vouchsafe me the divine visitation and thy care, O thou who alone art the Mother of God, for thou art good and the Mother of the Good One.

The Canon of the Saint, Tone 6

having the acrostic "I worthily praise the glorious Apostle Philip," the composition of Theophanes.

Irmos: *When Israel passed on foot over the deep as if it were dry land, and beheld their pursuer Pharaoh drowning in the sea, they cried aloud: Let us sing to God a song of victory!*

Refrain: Holy Apostle of Christ Philip, pray to God for us!

Clearly delighting in the luminous rays of the divine splendor of Christ, O divine preacher Philip, enlighten us as we partake of thy brilliant words.

Christ Himself revealed to thee the glory of the Father and enrolled thee in the choir of His disciples when He perceived Thy virtues, O divinely-blessèd one.

Glory...,

No longer dost thou behold Christ, the Well-spring of blessings and the Ultimate of all desires in indistinct images and shadows, O most wise one, but thou dost clearly behold Him face to face!

Now and ever...,

Theotokion: **O** most pure Lady, thy Son and God hast come forth from the tribe of Judah to visit its failing princes, and now He truly reigns as the King and Ruler of all the ends of the earth.

Katavasia: “I shall open my mouth...”

Ode 3

The Supplicatory Canon to the Theotokos

Irmos: **O** Lord, Creator of the vault of heaven and Founder of the Church, strengthen me in Thy love, for Thou art our supreme desire and the support of the faithful, O Thou who lovest mankind.

I have thee as the protection and intercession of my life, O Virgin, Mother of God. Pilot me to thy haven, O giver of blessings, O support of the faithful, O thou only all-praised one.

I pray thee, O Virgin, to dispel the tumult of my soul and the storm of my grief; for thou, O Bride of God, hast given birth to Christ, the Prince of Peace, O only immaculate one.

Pour forth on us from the wealth of thy generosity, O thou who hast brought forth the Benefactor and Cause of all good; for thou canst do all things, O blessed one of God, since thou didst bear Christ, the One mighty in power.

I am tortured by grievous sicknesses and morbid passions. Help thou me, O Virgin, for I know thee, O all-blameless one, to be an inexhaustible treasury of unfailing healing.

The Canon of the Saint

Irmos: There is none as holy as Thou, O Lord my God, who hast exalted the power of Thy faithful, O Blessed One, and hast established us upon the rock of thy confession.

Possessed of the full light of active vision, thou wast vouchsafed to serve Christ, the great Light, who has come to us, O divinely-eloquent Philip.

Thy preaching about the divine mysteries has been revealed as the ladder of the divine doctrines through which we have come to know the Son as consubstantial and united with the Father.

Thou art the golden lamp shining with the pre-eternal Light upon all mankind, thus enlightening the whole world with the knowledge of the divine, O most illustrious Apostle Philip.

Theotokion: **T**rusting in thee, O all-holy and most pure Lady, may I not fall away from the love; but as thou art the merciful Mother of God, the Lover of mankind, deliver me

from every snare of the enemy!

Katavasia: “O Theotokos, living and abundant fountain...”

Sessional Hymn, in Tone 8: *To the melody, “Of Wisdom....”*

O holy Philip, Apostle of the Lord, /
Thou art truly like a rain-bearing cloud /
Mystically watering the barren hearts of the faithless /
For, having passed over the earth showering it with the sweet myr^{rh} from thy shrine /
Thou didst breathe the fragrance of the Spirit /
And enriched their hearts the bounties of faith. /
Therefore, we entreat thee, to beseech the Christ our God, /
That He may grant the remission of sins ///
To those who celebrate with love thy holy memory.

Glory..., in the same Tone: (*and melody*)

Having exposed and destroyed the errors of idolatry /
Thou didst desire to share in the suffering of the Savior, /
Thou didst go forth as an apostle of the Lord, /
Pouring out the wonders of heaven upon all the world /
Thus, thou didst become a teacher to all nations. /
Therefore, we rightly honor thy memory, /
And we glory thee with hymns of praise, and magnify thee in faith. /
So, we entreat thee, to beseech the Christ our God, /
That He may grant the remission of sins ///
To those who celebrate with love thy holy memory.

Now and ever.... Theotokion:

Having fallen into the clever snares of mine enemies /
Both visible and invisible, /
And beset by the storms of my countless transgressions, /
I run to the harbor of thy goodness and warmth of thy protection. /
Therefore, O pure Lady, earnestly pray on our behalf /
To the One ineffably born incarnate without seed, /
That all thy servants, who unceasingly and worthily praise thee /
May receive the remission of their sins.

Ode 4
The Supplicatory Canon to the Theotokos

THE HOLY AND ALL-PRAISED APOSTLE PHILIP

Irmos: *I have heard the mystery of Thy dispensation, O Lord; I have considered Thy works and glorified Thy Godhead.*

O Bride of God, who gavest birth to the Lord and Master, still thou the turmoil of my passions and the stormy seas of my sins.

O, bestow thy compassion on me, thy servant, out of the depths of thy tender mercy; for thou didst give birth to the Compassionate One, the Savior of all those who praise thee.

While delighting in thy gifts, O immaculate one, we sing a song of thanksgiving to thee, knowing thee to be the Mother of God.

As I lie on the bed of my pain and infirmity, do thou help me, as thou art a lover of goodness, O Ever-virgin Mary Theotokos.

Having thee as our staff and hope, and as our salvation's unshakable defense, we are then delivered from all adversity, O thou all-praised one.

The Canon of the Saint

Irmos: *Christ is my strength, my God and my Lord, the sacred Church sings in a manner befitting God, with a pure mind, keeping festival unto the Lord.*

Thou wast revealed to be a dwelling place of the Sun, an abode of Christ Himself who is the Light, and thou wast also like a temple that contained His splendor, and a true heaven proclaiming the glory of God to all men.

Casting the seasoning salt of Christ God upon mankind corrupted by the passions, O glorious herald of God Philip, thou didst dry up the putrefaction of sin.

Strengthened by the power of Christ, O Philip, thou wast shown to be more powerful than the legions of demons and the wicked, by proclaiming to those on earth the glad tidings of the life in God.

Theotokion: *Christ hath revealed thee to be a calm haven to those who with faith, love, and purity of heart proclaim thee, O true and immaculate Lady, to be the Mother of God!*

Ode 5

The Supplicatory Canon to the Theotokos

Irmos: *Enlighten us by Thy commandments, O Lord, and by Thine uplifted arm grant us Thy peace, O Lover of mankind.*

Fill my heart with gladness, O pure Lady, with thine incorruptible joy, for thou didst bear the Cause of all Joy.

Deliver us from dangers, O pure Theotokos, who gavest birth to Eternal Redemption, and to the Peace that passes all understanding.

Dispel the darkness of my sins by the radiance of thy splendor, O Bride of God, for thou didst bear the divine and pre-eternal Light.

Heal the infirmity of my soul, O pure Lady, when thou hast deemed me worthy of thy visitation, and grant me health by thy blessed intercessions.

The Canon of the Saint

***Irmos:** With Thy divine light, O Good One, illumine, I ask Thee, the souls of those who in love keep vigil that they may know Thee, O Word of God as the true God who recalls them from the darkness of sin.*

O divinely-eloquent Apostle Philip, thou hast dried up the deadly abyss of the enemy's soul-destroying poison with thy healing hands, and delivered them held in his sway from their grievous ills.

Thy fiery words, O Philip, granted thee by the descent of the Comforter, has restored to life those frozen by the winter of ungodliness with the warmth of faith.

Being close to Christ, thou didst receive directly from Him His light that He bestowed upon thee, with which thou dost now enlighten those who turn to thee, leading them all to their Creator.

***Theotokion:** The Lord, who alone doth fashion all things by His Word, and doth nourish all in His wise providence, was, by His own will and loving kindness, ineffably fashioned and made incarnate of thee, O all-pure Lady Theotokos!*

Ode 6

The Supplicatory Canon to the Theotokos

***Irmos:** I will pour out my prayer before the Lord; I will make known to Him my sorrow, for my soul has been filled with afflictions, and my life has drawn near to hell, and like Jonah I will pray: O God, raise me up from corruption.*

My nature, held by corruption and death, hath He saved out of death and corruption; for unto death hath He submitted Himself. Wherefore, O Virgin, do thou intercede with Him who is thy Lord and Son, to deliver me from the wickedness of the enemy.

I know thee as the protection of my life, and most safe fortress, O Virgin; disperse the horde of temptations, and drive away demonic vexation. Unceasingly I pray to thee: Deliver me from the corruption of passions!

We have acquired thee as a wall of refuge, and the perfect salvation of our souls, and

a relief in afflictions, O Maiden, and we ever rejoice in thy light. O Sovereign Lady, do thou also now save us from passions and dangers.

Bedridden, I lie supine with sickness now and there is no healing for my flesh; but to thee, O good one who gavest birth to God, the Savior of the world and the Healer of infirmities, I pray: Raise me up from the corruption of illness.

The Canon of the Saint

***Irmos:** Jonah was caught but not held in the belly of the whale, revealing a sign of Thee, who didst suffer and wast delivered up to burial. He came forth from the monster as from a chamber and spoke to the watchmen: you that watch keep guard in vain, for you have forsaken the One who is Himself mercy.*

Beholding the deception of the enemy, O Savior, surrounding and destroying the human race, Thou didst take aim and loosed the apostles as Thy sharp arrows, to lay open the serpent's mouth of clay, healing all that had been harmed by his malice and corruption.

Shining with divine glory, thou art like a lightning bolt illumining all the world; a mountain shedding sweet drops of dew from above; and an elect apostle among the company of twelve disciples chosen by Christ, O blessed Philip.

Having understood the depth of Thy mystery, O Lord, the godly disciple loudly proclaimed Thee as the Glory of the nations, who, like a river of the world and like a flooding wave give rise to streams of delight, as he announced the glad tidings of Thy glorious condescension towards us, O good and loving Lord.

Theotokion: **H**aving given birth to the eternal and immortal Christ, thou hast called the mortal and corrupt race of mankind to eternal life by enlightening us and removing the bonds of our captivity.

Katavasia: "Let us clap our hands in gladness..."

The Kontakion of St. Philip, in Tone 8: To the melody "As the first-fruits"

Thy disciple and friend and emulator of Thy suffering /
The divinely eloquent Philip proclaimed Thee, the universal God. /
Keep Thy Church and all Thy cities safe from the assaults of the enemy, /
By the prayers of the Apostle and through the Theotokos, O most merciful One.

Ikos: Grant to me a stream of words, O Lord, who didst fill all creation with the waters, and who by Thy words didst establish the earth; and enlighten my thoughts, that they may be robed as if with light, and that I may worthily sing and praise the glory of Thy saint, O greatly-compassionate Lord.

Ode 7

The Supplicatory Canon to the Theotokos

***Irmos:** The children of Judæa who dwelt of old in Babylon trampled underfoot the flames of the furnace by their faith in the Trinity, as they sang: Blessèd art Thou, O God of our fathers.*

Having willed to accomplish our salvation, O Savior, Thou didst dwell in the womb of the Virgin, and didst show her forth unto the world as its intercessor. Blessèd art Thou, O God of our fathers.

Pray to Him, the dispenser of mercy whom thou didst bear, O pure Mother, and implore Him to deliver from all transgressions and defilements the souls of those who with faith cry out: Blessèd art Thou, O God of our fathers.

A treasury of salvation and a fountain of incorruption is she who gave Thee birth; a tower of safety, and a gate of repentance hast Thou proved her to those who cry: Blessèd art Thou, O God of our fathers.

Grant healing from physical weakness and spiritual infirmities to those who with love draw near to thy protection, O Virgin Theotokos, for thou gavest birth to Christ our Savior.

The Canon of the Saint

***Irmos:** The children in Babylon were not afraid of the fire; when cast into the midst of the flames they were covered with dew and sang: Blessèd art Thou, O God of our fathers!*

As a great light, thou hast been loosed like an arrow, to illumine with splendor them that cry out with faith: Blessèd art Thou, O Lord God of our fathers!

Shining radiantly with the rich outpourings of thy divine preaching, O blessèd one, thou hast enlightened those sitting in the shadows of darkness to sing: Blessèd art Thou, O Lord God of our fathers!

Having vanquished all the craftiness of the philosophers' and rhetors' logic and their fables by thy mighty words of faith, thou didst cry aloud: Blessèd art Thou, O Lord God of our fathers!

***Theotokion:** O pure Virgin, thou didst give birth beyond the bounds of nature, to Christ in two unified, yet unconfused, natures, and to Him we cry aloud: Blessèd art Thou, O Lord God of our fathers!*

Ode 8

The Supplicatory Canon to the Theotokos

***Irmos:** The King of heaven whom the hosts of angels praise, let us praise and exalt throughout all ages.*

Disdain not those who need thy help, O Virgin, and who hymn and supremely exalt thee unto all ages.

Thou healest the infirmity of my soul and the pains of my body, O Virgin, that I may glorify thee, O pure one, unto all ages.

Thou pourest forth a wealth of healing, on those who with faith sing praises unto thee, O Virgin, and who supremely exalt thine ineffable Childbearing.

Thou drivest away the assaults of temptations, and the attacks of the passions, O Virgin; Therefore, we sing thee hymns unto all ages.

The Canon of the Saint

***Irmos:** The blessèd children endangered themselves in Babylon for the sake of their father's laws; they ignored the ignorant command of the king, and cast into the furnace they suffered no harm, but sang a song pleasing to their mighty Master: Bless the Lord, all ye works of the Lord; exalt Him throughout all ages!*

The hypostatic Word, the Light of the Father, made thee a light unto the world, O thrice-blessèd one, having chosen thee as an apostle from among the world. And arming thee with His divine power, He sent thee as an invincible warrior crying out: Bless the Lord, all ye works of the Lord: exalt Him throughout all ages!

Strengthened by His divine power, O Apostle, thou didst conquer a host of enemies, destroying their raging armies, for taking up the banner of peace, thou didst instill a state of peace throughout the world, crying out: Bless the Lord, all ye works of the Lord: exalt Him throughout all ages!

Thou didst cleave thyself to the incarnate Word with all thy love, O Apostle Philip, becoming His disciple, a servant of God, and a teacher of the mysteries. And, being sent by Him to the Gentiles, thou didst preach of His coming among men crying out: Bless the Lord, all ye works of the Lord: exalt Him throughout all ages!

Let us bless the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, the Lord!

Theotokion: **T**he All-holy One immutably united Himself to all mankind within thy womb, O Most Holy Virgin, in a manner beyond all human understanding. Thus knowing Christ to be of two natures, being one, and being both, praising Him we cry aloud: Bless the Lord, all ye works of the Lord: exalt Him throughout all ages!

We praise, bless, and worship the Lord, singing and exalting Him throughout all ages.

Katavasia: “The Offspring of the Theotokos...”

The Magnificat is sung. “My soul magnifies the Lord ...”

Ode 9

The Supplicatory Canon to the Theotokos

Irmos: **S**aved through thee, O pure Virgin, we confess thee to be truly Theotokos, and with the choirs of angels we magnify thee.

O Virgin, who didst give birth to Christ, who doth wipe away every tear from every face: turn not away from the torrent of my tears.

O Virgin, who didst receive the fullness of joy, and didst banish the grief of sin: fill my heart with joy.

Be thou the haven and protection, the unshakable wall, the refuge, the shelter, and the joy of those who flee to thee, O Virgin.

Illumine with the rays of thy light, O Virgin, those who piously confess thee to be the Theotokos, and banish from them the darkness of ignorance.

I am brought low by mine afflictions and infirmities, but do thou, O Virgin, heal me, bringing me from illness into health.

The Canon of the Saint

Irmos: *It is not possible for men to see God upon whom the ranks of angels dare not gaze, but through thee, O all-pure one, was the Word incarnate revealed unto men, whom magnifying together with the heavenly hosts, we call thee blessed!*

Having attained to the heights of ineffable glory and the everlasting light, to the place of unimaginable bliss and eternal joy amidst the assemblies of the firstborn angels and the place where the mansions of the righteous are, pray now ceaselessly for all Christian believers, O holy Apostle Philip.

Being robed in the beauty of spiritual splendor, adorned with a brilliant crown of the Kingdom, and illumined by the never-ending Light, thou standest now, O divinely-wise Philip, rejoicing before the throne of the Master.

With all the all-laudable apostles, prophets, passion-bearing martyrs, venerable ascetics and monastics, hierarchs, and all the righteous departed, and together with the Theotokos, O blessed Apostle Philip, entreat the Lord that He may grant the remission of sins and the cleansing of all transgressions to those who faithfully celebrate thy radiant and divine memory.

Theotokion: **T**hou gavest birth in the flesh to the timeless and incorporeal Word, O Virgin Mother. Therefore, we piously glorify thee as the Theotokos, with that most true and fitting title, O pure Lady, for thou art truly the root and source of our salvation.

Katavasia: “Let every earth-born exult...”

The Exapostilarion of Saint Philip:

Turning the course of thy virtuous feet, O Philip, thou didst ascend the path to heaven rejoicing; and now, standing before the throne of the Trinity thou dost behold the Son and the divine Spirit in the Father. Therefore, with love and faith we celebrate thy holy and divine memory. *(twice)*

Now and ever..., Theotokion:

Bringing to mind the dreadful Day of Judgment I tremble, for the multitude of mine evil deeds terrifies and frightens me! But take pity on me in thy fervent intercessions, O all-pure Lady, and grant me salvation through thy prayers; for thou canst do all things that thou desirest, in that thou gavest birth to God, O blessed Virgin Mary!

On the Praises, 4 stichera of St. Philip:

3 stichera in Tone 8: *To the melody, "O most glorious wonder..."*

O most glorious wonder! /
He who once caught fish in his nets /
Became an apostle, a fisher of men. /
He cast the net of the word and caught the nations /
With the rod of the Cross /
Thus drawing the world from the sea of sin. /
Oh, what a rich harvest thou didst bring to Christ, ///
And we rejoice in the celebration of thy memory, O divine apostle of the Lord!

O most glorious wonder! /
Thou, O fearless apostle, wast sent forth by God, /
As a lamb into the midst of ravenous wolves /
Who prowled the earth in search of sheep, /
And through thy faith thou didst transform the world. /
O miracle of faith! O unspeakable power!
By thy prayers, beseech Christ God to save our souls, ///
For He is the Lover of mankind.

O most glorious wonder! /
Thou art a vessel filled with living waters /
Which flow from the fount of life and wisdom, /
And from thee, O Apostle Philip, it pours forth on the world /
Like a river of doctrines divine. /
And so, we drink from the stream of thy miracles, /
O awesome worker of the wonders of God, ///

As we faithfully celebrate thy holy memory!

And 1 sticheron in Tone 2: *(To the regular melody)*

Thou wast revealed to be a chalice of myrrh /
And a beautiful habitation of the Spirit; /
Teaching all nations the true merits of the virtues /
And fishing for the earthborn with the noetic rod of the wisdom of God. /
Therefore, we entreat thee, O Apostle Philip, ///
To beseech Christ our God to save our souls.

Glory..., in Tone 3:

Having exchanged the catching of fish for the catching of men /
With the net of the mysteries of God, /
Thou hast drawn them out of the depths of deception and despair, /
O Philip, thou Apostle of the Lord, /
Bringing the whole world to thy teacher and Master, Christ. /
Therefore, we ceaselessly entreat thee, ///
To beseech Him that He may save the souls of those who honor thee.

Now and ever..., Theotokion, in the same Tone:

O Lady Theotokos, /
Thou art the fervent intercessor for all who come to thee in prayer, /
For we place all our hopes in thee. /
Beseech thou Him who was ineffably born of thee ///
On behalf of the souls of us, thy unworthy servants, who trust in thee.

Great Doxology, Troparion of St. Philip: O holy Apostle Philip....”

Glory..., Now and ever..., Theotokion, in Tone 3:

We hymn thee who hast mediated the salvation of our race, /
O Virgin Mother of God; /
For thy Son and our God, accepting suffering on the Cross in the flesh He had
received of thee, /
Hath delivered us from corruption, ///
In that He is the Lover of mankind.

Then the Litanies and Dismissal, as usual.

Liturgy

At the Beatitudes, 8 troparia: 4 from the third Ode, and 4 from the sixth Ode of the canon of the Saint.

1.-2. Possessed of the full light of active vision, thou wast vouchsafed to serve Christ, the great Light, who has come to us, O divinely-eloquent Philip.

3. Thy preaching about the divine mysteries has been revealed as the ladder of the divine doctrines through which we have come to know the Son as consubstantial and united with the Father.

4. Thou art the golden lamp shining with the pre-eternal Light upon all mankind, thus enlightening the whole world with the knowledge of the divine, O most illustrious Apostle Philip.

5. Beholding the deception of the enemy, O Savior, surrounding and destroying the human race, Thou didst take aim and loosed the apostles as Thy sharp arrows, to lay open the serpent's mouth of clay, healing all that had been harmed by his malice and corruption.

6. Shining with divine glory, thou art like a lightning bolt illumining all the world; a mountain shedding sweet drops of dew from above; and an elect apostle among the company of twelve disciples chosen by Christ, O blessed Philip.

7. Having understood the depth of Thy mystery, O Lord, the godly disciple loudly proclaimed Thee as the Glory of the nations, who, like a river of the world and like a flooding wave give rise to streams of delight, as he announced the glad tidings of Thy glorious condescension towards us, O good and loving Lord.

8. Theotokion: Having given birth to the eternal and immortal Christ, thou hast called the mortal and corrupt race of mankind to eternal life by enlightening us and removing the bonds of our captivity.

The Troparion of St. Philip, in Tone 3:

O holy Apostle Philip /
Intercede with our merciful God, /
That He may grant to our souls ///
The forgiveness of our transgressions.

Another Troparion of St. Philip, in the same Tone:

The whole earth is splendidly adorned, /
And Ethiopia dances for joy, /
For, now she is graced with a beautiful crown /
Having been enlightened by thee, /
And she celebrates thy blessed memory,
O Philip, thou holy apostle; /

For thou didst instruct all to believe in Christ /
And didst complete thy course in a manner worthy of the Gospel. /
For this, the land of Ethiopia boldly lifts her hands to God. ///
Beseech Him to grant us great mercy.

The Kontakion of St. Philip, in Tone 8:

Thy disciple and friend and emulator of Thy suffering /
The divinely eloquent Philip proclaimed Thee, the universal God. /
Keep Thy Church and all Thy cities safe from the assaults of the enemy, /
By the prayers of the Apostle and through the Theotokos, O most merciful One.

The Prokeimenon, in Tone 8: Their proclamation is gone out into all the earth / and their words to the ends of the universe! *Verse:* The heavens are telling the glory of God, and the firmament proclaims His handiwork!

The Epistle: (131) 1 Corinthians 4:9-16

The Alleluia, Tone 1: The heavens shall confess Thy wonders, O Lord, and Thy truth in the congregation of the saints! *Verse:* God is glorified in the council of the saints!

The Gospel: (5) John 1:43-51

The Communion Hymn: Their proclamation is gone out into all the earth / and their words to the ends of the universe!

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