

32nd Sunday after Pentecost (January 1/14)

The Circumcision in the Flesh of Our Lord Jesus Christ

Commemoration of our Father among the Saints Basil the Great, Archbishop of Caesaria in Cappadocia

VESPERS: Tone 7

P. Regular Beginning

C. Lord I have cried...

1. O **come** let us rejoice in the **Lo**-ord/ Who **destroyed** the power of death and **enlightened** mankind,/ and **let** us cry aloud with the **angels**::// Glory to Thee, our Creator and our **Saviour**.
2. **On** our account Thou hast endured the **Cross** and the tomb:/ and as **God** Thou hast by death also put **death** to death:/ **Therefore**, we worship Thy Resurrection on the **third** day:// Glory to **Thee**, O Lord.
3. On **beholding** the Resurrection of the Creator,/ the **Apostles**, marveling, sang an angelic **song** of praise:/ **Here** is the glory **of** the Church,/ **here** the richness of the **Kingdom**:/ **Glory** be to **Thee**, O Lord,// Who hast suffered **death** for us.

Stichera for the Circumcision (Tone 8)

- 4/5 **Descending** unto the **human** race,/ the Saviour deigned to be wrapped in **swaddling**-bands,/ and He did not refuse to be circumcised in the flesh as an eight-day old infant born of His **Mother**,/ but unoriginate according to His **Father**./ To Him, O ye faithful, **let** us cry:// Thou art our God! Have mercy upon us!
6. The **all**-good God was **not** ashamed/ to be circumcised with the **circumcision** of the flesh,/ but provided Himself as an example and pattern for all, for their **salvation**;/ for the Creator of the law fulfillleth the **prescriptions** of the law/ and the predictions of the prophets **concerning** Himself./ O Lord Who holdest all things in the **palm** of Thy hand,/ and wast wrapped in **swaddling**-clothes,// glory **be** to Thee!

Stichera for St. Basil (Tone 4)

- 7/8. O **father** who art the namesake of **kingship**,/ when thou, the royal priesthood, didst shepherd the holy Christian nation with skill and love of **wisdom**,/ **then** the Lord of all, the **King** of kings,/ the Son Who is one and equally everlasting and unoriginate with Him Who **begat** Him,/ crowned thee with the crown of His **kingdom**.// Him do thou beseech, that He save and **enlighten** our souls.
9. **Adorned** with hierarchal **vesture**,/ rejoicing, thou didst preach the Gospel of the kingdom, O **Basil**,/ pouring **forth** upon the Church the doctrine of **Orthodoxy**./ And, illumined **now** thereby,/ we theologize and glorify the one **Godhead**/--in the Father Almighty, the only-begotten Word of God and the divine **Spirit**/--three Persons indivisible./ Entreat thou the **Trinity**,// that our souls be **enlightened** and saved.

10. **Abiding** with the choirs of **heaven**/ and making thine abode with them, O father **Basil**,/ **thou** didst emulate **their** love/ by the pure splendor of thy life,/ living like one of the incorporeal ones/ while dwelling in the flesh with **those** on earth./ Entreat **Christ** our God,/ that He save those who delight in thy divinely inspired **teachings**/ from misfortunes and the darkness of **ignorance**,// and that He **enlighten** our souls.

Glory... (Tone 8)

As a lover of wisdom and of all things **pertaining** to God,/ O venerable one, and accounting mortal knowledge thy **companion**,/ thou didst live a **magnificent** life./ For, having walled off from thyself the carnal **passions**/ with mighty ramparts of abstinence and the law of divine **teaching**,/ thou didst preserve the state of thy **soul** unenslaved/ and with the riches of virtue didst make all the understanding of thy flesh subject to thy **spirit**./ Wherefore, having **hated** the flesh,/ the world and the ruler **of** this world,// as thou standest before Christ ask great mercy **for** our souls.

Both now & ever... Dogmatikon (Tone 7)

Thou, O Theotokos, hast been acknowledged to be a **Mother**/ **above** and beyond nature, yet withal remaining a **Virgin**./ **This** is past words and **understanding**,/ and the **wonder** of thy giving birth no **tongue** can tell./ Most **glorious**, O pure Virgin, was thy **conceiving**:/ and **beyond** the grasp of mind, the manner of thy **bearing** child./ **For** when God so wills, the order of nature is **overthrown**./ **Therefore**, we all acknowledging thee as the Mother of God, fervently **beseech** thee:// Make supplication for our **souls** to be saved.

P Wisdom. Aright!

C. O Joyful Light...

P. Prokimenon. The Lord is King...

P. Wisdom!

The Reading from Genesis

God appeared unto Abram and said to him: "I am thy God. Be well-pleasing before Me, and be blameless. And I will establish My covenant between Me and thee, and I will multiply thee exceedingly. Thou shalt be the father of a multitude of nations. And thy name shall no more be called Abram, but thy name shall be Abraham, for I have made thee a father of many nations. And I will increase thee very exceedingly, and I will make nations of thee, and kings shall come out of thee. And I will establish My covenant between thee and thy seed after thee, to their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be thy God, and the God of thy seed after thee." And Abraham fell upon his face, and worshipped the Lord. And the Lord said unto Abraham: "Thou shalt also fully keep My covenant, thou and thy seed after thee for their generations. And this is the covenant which thou shalt fully keep between Me and you, and between thy seed after thee for their generations: every male of you shall be circumcised. And ye shall be circumcised in the flesh of your foreskin, and it shall be for a sign of a covenant between me and you, and between thy seed after thee for their generations. And the child of eight days old shall be circumcised by you, every male throughout your generations. And the uncircumcised male, who shall not be circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin on the eighth day, he shall be utterly destroyed from his family, for he hath broken My covenant."

The Reading from the Book of Proverbs

The Lord made me the beginning of His ways for His works. He established me before time was, in the beginning, before He made the earth: even before He made the depths; before the fountains of water came forth, before the mountains were settled, and before all the hills, he begat Me. The Lord made countries and uninhabited tracts, and the highest inhabited parts of the world. When He prepared the heaven, I was present with Him; and when He prepared His throne upon the winds, and when He strengthened the clouds above, and when He secured the fountains of the earth, and when He strengthened the foundations of the earth: I was like unto Him. I was that wherein He took delight, and daily I rejoiced in His presence continually.

The Reading from the Book of Proverbs

The mouth of the righteous droppeth wisdom: but the tongue of the unjust shall perish. The lips of men drop grace: but the mouth of the ungodly is perverse. False balances are an abomination before the Lord: but a just weight is acceptable unto Him. Wherever pride entereth, there will also disgrace: but the mouth of the humble doth meditate wisdom. The integrity of the upright shall guide them, but the overthrow of the rebellious shall spoil them. Possessions shall not profit in the day of wrath, but righteousness will deliver from death. When a just man dieth, he leaveth regret: but the destruction of the ungodly is speedy and causeth joy. Righteousness traceth out blameless paths: but ungodliness encountereth unjust dealing. The righteousness of upright men delivereth them: but transgressors are caught in their own destruction. At the death of a just man his hope doth not perish: but the boast of the ungodly perisheth. A righteous man escapeth from a snare, and the ungodly man is delivered up in his place. In the mouth of ungodly men is a snare for citizens: but the understanding of righteous men is prosperous. In the prosperity of righteous men a city prospereth, but at the destruction of the wicked there is exultation. At the blessing of the upright a city shall be exalted, but by the mouths of ungodly men it is overthrown. A man void of understanding sneereth at his fellow citizens: but a sensible man is quiet.

- P. Augmented Litany
- R. Vouchsafe...
- P. Litany of Fervent Supplication

C. Litya Prayers (Tone 8)

The first sticheron is for the temple and then the following:

Stichera for St. Basil (Tone 3)

Having caused Christ, the **Well**-spring of life,/ to **swell** in thy soul by thy pure life, O Basil manifest in **sanctity**,/ **thou** didst pour forth rivers of the teachings of piety upon the **whole** world;/ and **watered** thereby, the faithful **people** of the Church,/ the **fruits** of the **confession** of thy lips,// offer grace to Him Who hath glorified thy memory unto the ages of **ages**.

The **myrrh** of the grace which was poured forth upon thee/ **anointed** thee to act as priest of the Gospel of the kingdom of **heaven**,/ **O** divinely revealed **Basil**,/ **and** as the sweet savor of Christ thou hast filled the **whole** world/ **with** the fragrance of the **knowledge** of Him./ **Wherefore**, graciously accepting the pleas of thy **servants**,// ask thou great mercy for us who **honor** thee.

Arrayed in hierarchal vesture, O **Basil**,/ **champion** of the **Trinity**,/ **thou** didst stand before the **seat** of the judge,/ **accepting** tribulation **for** the Faith;/ and **showing** forth an athlete's **prowe**ss,/ **thou** didst put to shame the wrath of the **governor**,/ who **rag**ed with the might of **ungod**liness/ and **threat**ened thee with pitiless **dismemberment**;/ yet **reasoning** zealously, and becoming a **martyr** by intent,/ thou didst **recei**ve a crown of **vict**ory from Christ, // Who hath great **merc**y.

Glory... (Tone 6)

Grace was poured forth in thy lips, O venerable **father**,/ and thou wast a shepherd of the **Church** of Christ,/ teaching the reason-endowed sheep to believe in the consubstantial **Trinity**, // in the one **God**head.

Both... (Tone 8)

Descending unto the **human** race,/ the Saviour deigned to be wrapped in **swadd**ling-bands,/ and He did not refuse to be circumcised **in** the flesh/ as an eight-day old infant born of His **Mother**,/ but unoriginate according to His **Father**./ To Him, O ye faithful, **let** us cry:// Thou art our God! Have mercy upon us!

P. *Litya prayers in back of Church*

APOSTICHA: (Tone 7)

1. **Ris**ing from the tomb, O **Savi**our of the world,/ Thou **hast**, together with Thy flesh, **rais**ed up man:// To Thee, O Lord, be **gl**ory.

V. The Lord is King,/ and hath put on glorious apparel.

2. **Come**, let us **wor**ship Him,/ Who **ros**e from the tomb and gave **light** to all./ For **by** His resurrection on the **third** day/ He **set** us free from the **tyr**anny of hell, // granting us life and great **merc**y.

V. He hath made the world so sure/ that it cannot be moved.

3. O **Christ**, the Lord, Who alone **loves**t mankind,/ **Thou** hast descended **into** hell,/ **despo**iling death and rising upon the **third** day;/ Thou hast **rais**ed us up with Thee glorifying Thine all-powerful **Resurre**ction, // O Thou Who **loves**t mankind.

V. Holiness becometh Thine house/ O Lord, forever.

4. O **Lord**, what an awful sight it was to see Thee lying as if **asleep** in the tomb;/ yet **Thou** didst rise on the third **day** in might,/ **rais**ing up with Thee **Adam**, who cried:// Glory to Thy Resurrection, O Thou, Who alone **loves**t mankind.

Glory... (Tone 6)

Receiving the grace of miracles from **heaven**,/ and having denounced the falsehood of idolatry by thy doctrines, O most blessed **Basil**,/ thou art the glory and confirmation of **hier**archs,/ and the model of the teaching of all

the **venerable.**/ As thou hast boldness **before** God,// entreat Him, that our **souls** be saved.

Both... (Tone 8)

The **all**-good God was not ashamed to be circumcised with the **circumcision** of the flesh,/ but provided Himself as an example and **pattern** for all,/ for their **salvation**;/ for the Creator of the law fulfilleth the **prescriptions** of the law/ and the predictions of the prophets **concerning** Himself./ O Lord Who holdest all things in the **palm** of Thy hand,/ and wast wrapped in **swaddling-clothes**,// glory **be** to Thee!

C. St. Symeon's Prayer

R. Trisagion

C. Troparion to St. Basil (Tone 1) x2

Thy sound hath gone forth into all the earth,/ which hath received thy discourse,/ whereby thou didst divinely teach and make clear the nature of things,/ and didst adorn the ways of men./ O venerable father, thou royal priesthood,// entreat Christ God, that our souls be saved.

Rejoice, O Virgin Theotokos x1

P. Blessing of loaves.

C. Amen. Blessed be the Name of the Lord... x3

Psalm 33:1-10

MATINS: Tone 7

P. Regular Beginning

P. Great Ectenia

C. God is the Lord...

Sunday Troparia (Tone 7) x2

By Thy Cross, Thou didst destroy death./ To the thief, Thou didst open paradise./ For the myrrh-bearers, thou didst change weeping into joy/ and Thou didst command Thy disciples, O Christ God,/ to proclaim that Thou art risen// granting the world great mercy.

Glory... Troparion to St. Basil (Tone 1)

Thy sound hath gone forth into all the earth,/ which hath received thy discourse,/ whereby thou didst divinely teach and make clear the nature of things,/ and didst adorn the ways of men./ O venerable father, thou royal priesthood,// entreat Christ God, that our souls be saved.

Both... Troparion of the Feast (Tone 1)

O Jesus, Who in the highest dost sit with Thine unoriginate Father/ and the divine Spirit upon a fiery throne,/ thou was well-pleased to be born on earth of Thy Mother,/ a Maiden who knew not man;/ wherefore, Thou wast circumcised as a babe eight days of age./ Glory to Thine all-good counsel!/ Glory to Thy dispensation! // Glory to Thy condescension, O Thou Who alone lovest mankind!

Lord Have Mercy 3x

Glory...

R. Now...
 R. Kathisma II
 P. Small Ectenia

R. Sessional Hymns:

Life lay in the tomb, and the seal lay upon the stone. The soldiers guarded Christ as they would a sleeping king, and the angels glorified Him as immortal God. And the women cried aloud: The Lord hath risen, granting great mercy to the world!

V. Arise, O Lord my God, let Thy hand be lifted high; forget not Thy paupers to the end.

O Christ God, Who by Thy burial madest death captive, and Who by Thine arising raised up man who had become corrupt: Glory to Thee, in that Thou lovest mankind!

G/B... As thou, who art sung by all the world, art the treasure house of our Resurrection, lead out of the pit and abyss of their offences, those who have put their faith in thee. For thou who before bearing child wast Virgin, and in childbirth and after childbirth hast remained Virgin, hast saved us by giving birth to our salvation.

R. Kathisma III
 P. Small Ectenia

R. Sessional Hymns:

While the tomb was sealed, Thou didst shine forth life from the grave, O Christ God; and while the doors were shut, Thou, the Resurrection of all, didst stand before the disciples, through them renewing an upright spirit for us, according to Thy great mercy.

V. I will confess Thee, O Lord, with my whole heart, I will tell of all Thy wonders.

The women ran to Thy tomb, bearing myrrh and tears; and while the soldiers were keeping watch over Thee, the King of all, they said to themselves: "Who will roll away the stone for us?" But the Angel of great Counsel had arisen, trampling down death. O Lord almighty, glory be to Thee!

G/B... Rejoice, O Virgin Theotokos full of grace, haven and intercession for the human race, for of thee did the Deliverer of the world become incarnate, for thou alone art both Mother and Virgin, ever-blessed and all-glorious. Entreat Christ God, that He grant peace to all the world.

C. Polyeleos
 P. Magnification

We magnify Thee, O Basil, / thou holy hierarch of Christ, / who didst piously preserve // the Church of Christ immaculate.

V. Hear this, all ye nations; give ear, all ye that inhabit the world.

C. We magnify Thee, O Basil, / thou holy hierarch of Christ, / who didst piously preserve // the Church of Christ immaculate.

V. My mouth shall speak wisdom, and the meditation of my heart shall be of understanding.

C. We magnify Thee, O Basil, / thou holy hierarch of Christ, / who didst piously preserve // the Church of Christ immaculate.

(Do not sing Alleluia... but go directly to the following)

C. Evlogitaria (Blessed art Thou, O Lord...)

P. Small Ectenia

R. Ypakoe:

O Christ God, Who assumed our form and endured the Cross in the flesh, save me by Thy resurrection, in that Thou lovest mankind.

R. Sessional Hymns:

Let us all praise Basil as the royal adornment of the Church, an inexhaustible treasury of doctrines; for thereby he hath taught us to worship the Holy Trinity, which is united in essence but distinguished as to hypostasis.

O all-wise Basil, as thou standest before the Trinity, pray that we who hymn thee and honour thy memory may receive grace, mercy and the washing away of our transgressions on the day of judgment, that with mouth and heart we may glorify Him Who alone loveth mankind.

Thou didst divinely draw forth the mystic riches of ineffable wisdom, and upon all hast poured forth the waters of Orthodoxy which divinely gladden the hearts of the faithful and fittingly drown the commands of the infidels. Wherefore, in both thou hast been shown to be an invincible champion of the Trinity by the sweat of thy works of piety, O holy hierarch Basil. Entreat Christ God, that He grant remission of transgressions unto those who with love celebrate thy holy memory.

To the whole world hast thou given to drink thy doctrines, the collected dogmas of piety, as though they were water; for the Wellspring of life truly resided within thee, O Basil. As thou hast acquired boldness, O divinely inspired one, beseech Him to grant us great mercy.

Glory... The grace of thy divine discourses and the mystic heights of thy dogmas have become for us a ladder of divine ascent; for having acquired the clarion of the Spirit, O father, thou didst thereby proclaim divine doctrines. Wherefore, thou hast made thine abode in a place of verdure, receiving the reward for thy struggles. O venerable hierarch Basil, entreat Christ God, that He grant remission of transgressions unto those who with love celebrate thy holy memory.

Both... The Master and Creator of all, Who received flesh from thine all-pure womb, hath shown thee to be an intercessor for men, O most immaculate one; wherefore, we all flee to thee, asking to be cleansed of our transgressions, O Mistress, and to be delivered from everlasting torments and all the oppression of the evil prince of this world. For this

cause we cry unto thee: Entreat thy Son and God, that He grant remission of transgression unto those who with faith worship thy most holy birthgiving.

Hymn of Degrees: (Antiphon One)

O Saviour Who turned the captivity of Sion away from falsehood, grant life unto me, rescuing me from enslaving passions.

He who with tears soweth the afflictions of fasting in the south shall reap sheaves of joy and everlasting life.

G/B... Through the Holy Spirit cometh the well-spring of divine treasures: from Him are wisdom, understanding and fear, and to Him are due praise and glory, honour and dominion.

Hymn of Degrees: (Antiphon Two)

If the Lord buildeth not the house of the soul, in vain do we labor; For without Him is no work or word made perfect.

Moved by the Spirit, the saints, made true children through adoption by the Son, have transmitted the teachings of the Father.

G/B... Through the Holy Spirit doth everything come into being; for, from before the beginning of time, He hath been the God of all, the Lord of all, the unapproachable Light, and the Life of all.

Hymn of Degrees: (Antiphon Three)

Having found the paths of life, they who fear the Lord are blessed, now and forever, with incorruptible glory.

Seeing thine offspring like the trunks of trees round about thy table, rejoice and be glad, leading them to Christ, the Chief Shepherd.

G/B... From the Holy Spirit come an abyss of gifts, a wealth of glory and great depths of judgment; for, equal in glory with the Father and the Son, He is worshipped with Them.

P. Prokimenon: (Tone 7)

Arise, O Lord my God, let Thy hand be lifted high; / forget not Thy paupers to the end.

V. I will confess Thee, O Lord, with my whole heart.

Let every breath praise the Lord.

GOSPEL #10

C. Having Beheld the Resurrection of Christ...

R. Psalm 50

C. Glory... Now... Have mercy on me... Jesus having risen...

P. Save, O God, Thy People...

Anointing.

Canticle One

Irmos: By Thy hand was the nature of water, / which before was fluid, / transformed into solid form, O Lord. / Wherefore, having passed through it dryshod, // Israel chanteth to Thee a hymn of victory.

Glory to Thy Holy Resurrection, O Lord.

By the Tree was the tyranny of death overthrown, when Thou was condemned to an unjust death, O Lord; thus, utterly unable to vanquish Thee, the prince of darkness was rightly banished.

Hades drew nigh to Thee, but his fangs were unable to rend Thy body, and his jaws were broken; wherefore, having destroyed the pangs of death, O Saviour, Thou didst arise on the third day.

Theotokion

The pangs of our first mother Eve have been eased, for, eluding pain, thou gavest birth without knowing man. Wherefore, clearly knowing thee to be the Theotokos, O all-pure one, we all glorify thee.

Glory to Thee, Our God, glory to Thee.

The eighth day, which is a foretype of that which is to come, is by Thy voluntary abasement enlightened and sanctified, O Christ; for thereon Thou wast circumcised in the flesh in accordance with the law.

Christ receiveth circumcision on the eighth day after His nativity, and the shadow of that day withdraweth, the light of the new grace shining forth.

Holy Hierarch Basil, pray to God for us.

It hath been fitting that thy voice come unto those desiring to sing thy praises, O father Basil. Accepting their entreaty, grant us grace in abundance.

Thou didst tread the difficult path of the virtues, and didst attain unto the smooth and pleasant entry to heaven, O Basil, and hast shown thyself to be a model for all.

By thy desire for the love of wisdom thou didst suppress the uprising of the passions which tormenteth the flesh; wherefore, thou dwellest in the incorrupt mansions of heaven, O father Basil.

With the sword of the Spirit thou didst right profitably cut down the passions of both soul and body, O Basil; and thou didst bring thyself to the Master as a sacrifice.

Glory... As an initiate of the ineffable mysteries, O sacred father Basil, thou didst manifestly instruct the Church of Christ in His mysteries and hast shone upon us the light of the Trinity.

Both... Who can fittingly describe thy conceiving, which is beyond words? For thou hast given birth in the flesh to God Who hath shown Himself to be our Saviour and Lord, O most pure one.

(A double Katavasia is sung)

C. Katavasia (Tone 2)

The Lord mighty in battle/ uncovered the foundations of the deep/ and led His servants on dry ground:/ but He covered their adversaries with the waters,// for He has been glorified.

C. Katavasia (Tone 2)

Israel passed through the storm-tossed deep of the sea,/ that God had turned into dry land:/ But the dark waters completely covered/ the chief captains of Egypt in a watery grave// through the mighty strength of the right hand of the Master.

Canticle Three

Irmos: O Lord and Saviour/ Who in the beginning established the heavens by Thine omnipotent Word/ and confirmed all their power by the all-accomplishing and divine Spirit:// establish me upon the immovable rock of the confession of Thee!

Glory to Thy Holy Resurrection, O Lord.

Having ascended the Tree, O compassionate Saviour, of Thine own will Thou didst experience pain for our sake and didst endure the wounding which won reconciliation and salvation for the faithful. And thereby have we all been reconciled with Thy Father, O Merciful One.

Having cleansed of sores me who was wounded by the sting of the serpent, O Christ, Thou didst show forth light unto me who from of old have lain in darkness and corruption; for having descended into hades through the Cross, Thou didst raise me up with Thyself.

Theotokion

Through the entreaties of Thy Mother who knew not man, O Saviour, grant peace to the world, and vouchsafe Thine ineffable glory unto those who glorify Thee.

Glory to Thee, Our God, glory to Thee.

The transcendent Word Who became incarnate hath been circumcised, that the law might cease; and He hath given us the beginning of divine grace and life incorruptible.

As the Fulfiller of the law, and not as One opposed to God, Christ showed Himself to be incarnate, and hath deigned of His own will to be circumcised on the eighth day.

Holy Hierarch Basil, pray to God for us.

Thy memorial hath arrived and shone forth at the same time as the nativity of Christ, the ineffable mystery whereof thou didst manifestly reveal by thy teachings.

Made steadfast in the fear of God, in that it is the beginning of wisdom, thou didst soar aloft in the highest love of wisdom, O Basil.

Full of all instruction, O Basil, thou wast shown to be a light unto the world, not only that which is below and is trodden upon by our feet, but that which is more sublime.

Glory... O all-wise Basil, thou hast shown activity to be the entry into vision most divine, and by activity thou didst enter therein; and thou hast manifestly taught the understanding of all that existeth.

Both... Without seed thou didst conceive in thy womb, and didst ineffably give birth to God incarnate, upon Whom the hosts of heaven dare not gaze, O pure Ever-virgin.

C. Katavasia (Tone 2)

The Lord, Who givest strength to our kings/ and exalts the horn of His anointed,/ is born of a Virgin and comes to baptism./ Therefore let us, the faithful, cry aloud:// None is holy as our God and none is righteous save Thee, O Lord.

C. Katavasia (Tone 2)

From the ancient snares have we all been **set** loose,/ and the jaws of the devouring lions have been **broken**:/ Let **us**, then, rejoice exceedingly and open **wide** our mouths,/ weaving with words a melody **to** the Word// Whose delight it is to bestow gifts **upon** us.

P. Small Ectenia

C. Kontakion of the Feast (Tone 3)

The Lord of all endureth circumcision/ and, in that He is good,/ He cutteth away the transgressions of men,/ and today granteth salvation to the world./ And Basil, the high priest of the Creator,/ the radiant and divine initiate of the mysteries of Christ,// rejoiceth on high.

(There is no ikos for the Feast)

R. Sessional Hymns

Having learned the wisdom of the Word and set aside the writings of the law, thou didst proclaim to all the word of grace, and by thy words thou didst erase the tablets of men's souls, and thereon didst inscribe divine doctrines. Wherefore, passing through the darkness, a cloud protecting thy body, thou didst shine forth in the Spirit, O holy hierarch Basil. Entreat Christ God, that He grant remission of sins unto those who with faith honour thy holy memory. (2x)

G/B... As Thou art an abyss of love for mankind, O Master, Thou didst assume the appearance of a servant and wast circumcised in the flesh, granting Thy great mercy unto all men.

Canticle Four

Irmos: O Christ God Who, without leaving the bosom of the Father, didst descend to earth;/ I have heard the mystery of Thy dispensation,// and have glorified Thee, Who alone lovest mankind.

Glory to Thy Holy Resurrection, O Lord.

Giving His shoulders over to stripes, the innocent Master, Who was incarnate of the Virgin, was beaten by a most sinful servant, loosing mine offenses.

Standing before the tribunal of iniquitous judges, the Judge is examined as one indicted; and He Who judgeth the earth with righteousness and as God formed man is smitten by a hand of clay.

Theotokion

In that thou art truly the Mother of God, entreat thy Creator and Son, O most immaculate one, that He guide me to the saving haven of His glorious will.

Glory to Thee, Our God, glory to Thee.

Circumcision hath ceased since Christ was circumcised of His own will, saving a multitude of the nations by grace.

The eighth day, whereon the Master was circumcised in the flesh, is an image of the everlasting life of the age to come.

Holy Hierarch Basil, pray to God for us.

As the Church of Christ is adorned like a bride by His nativity, so is it also adorned by thy memorial, O most blessed one.

Doing battle for God, thou wast shown to be invincible, O Basil, making all subject to His precepts.

Thou hast been given to the Church by God as a firm rampart and bulwark, O most blessed Basil.

Glory... O father Basil, thou hast been shown to be a scythe cutting down the adversary, and a fire consuming falsehood.

Both... We beseech thee, O pure one who didst conceive God without seed: Pray thou ever for thy servants.

C. Katavasia (Tone 2)

He whom Thou hast called, O Lord,/ 'The voice of one crying in the wilderness,'/ heard Thy voice when Thou hast thundered upon many waters,/ bearing witness to Thy Son./ Wholly filled with the Spirit that had come he cried aloud:// 'Thou art Christ, the wisdom and the power of God.'

C. Katavasia (Tone 2)

Cleansed by the fire of a mystic vision/ the Prophet sang the praises of the renewal of mortal man./ Filled with the inspiration of the Spirit, he raised his voice,/ telling of the Incarnation of the ineffable Word,// Who has shattered the dominion of the strong.

Canticle Five

Irmos: Night is bereft of light for those without faith, O Christ,/ but for the faithful there is enlightenment in the sweetness of Thy words;/ wherefore, I rise early unto Thee// and hymn Thy divinity.

Glory to Thy Holy Resurrection, O Lord.

For Thy servants art Thou betrayed, and Thou endurest blows to Thy cheeks, which win freedom for those who chant: I rise early unto Thee and hymn Thy divinity!

By Thy divine power, O Christ, Thou didst cast down the mighty one with Thy weak human flesh, and by Thy resurrection Thou hast shown me to be a victor over death, O Saviour.

Theotokion

O pure Mother, thou gavest birth unto God, Who as God became incarnate of thee, O most hymned one; and though thou hadst no concourse with the male gender, yet dost thou give birth through the Holy Spirit.

Glory to Thee, Our God, glory to Thee.

Having issued forth ineffably from the Virgin Mother, O Lord, thou didst not decline to clothe Thyself in human guise as a babe, and in accordance with the law didst fulfill the law.

Israel, in that she loveth the shadow of the law, hath become like the night, giving rise to Christ, Who hath appeared, shining forth therefrom, as the Light of the world.

Holy Hierarch Basil, pray to God for us.

Today the Church doth truly introduce a twofold feast: that of the Master Who hath appeared on earth as a babe, and the memorial of His wise and thrice-blessed servant.

Christ, the Light unapproachable, resting in thee, O venerable one, hath shown thee to be a radiant lamp unto the world; wherefore, we hymn thy memory, O Basil.

The Genesis described by Moses on Sinai amid great darkness hast thou described for all, giving utterance from the storehouses of divine wisdom, O all-blessed Basil.

Glory... Neither Moses the law-giver, nor Joseph, the chief of pharaoh's granaries, who lived before the law, were like unto thee; for thou, O Basil, didst show thyself to break the Flesh of God.

Both... To thee, who gavest birth to Christ, the Creator of all, do we cry: Rejoice, O pure one! Rejoice, O thou who hast shone forth upon us the Light! Rejoice, O thou who didst contain the uncontainable God!

C. Katavasia (Tone 2)

Jesus, the Prince of Life,/ has come to set loose from condemnation Adam the first-formed man;/ and though as God He needs no cleansing,/ yet for the sake of fallen man He is cleansed in the Jordan./ In its streams He slew the enmity// and grants the peace that passes all understanding.

C. Katavasia (Tone 2)

By the cleansing of the Spirit have we been washed/ from the poison of the dark and unclean enemy,/ and we have set out upon a new path free from

error,/ that leads to gladness of heart past all attainment,// which only they attain whom God has reconciled unto Himself.

Canticle Six

Irmos: Sailing amid the tumult of the cares of life,/ I founder with the ship of sin and am cast to the soul-destroying beast;/ yet like Jonah I cry to Thee, O Christ;/// Lead me up from the deadly abyss!

Glory to Thy Holy Resurrection, O Lord.

The souls of the righteous imprisoned in hell and left there, remembered Thee and besought salvation of Thee, which through the Cross Thou didst grant to the nether regions, O Christ, having come there full of loving-kindness.

The choir of the apostles despaired of ever seeing again Thine animate temple not made by man, which was destroyed by Thy sufferings; yet, beyond hope, they worshipped Thee and everywhere proclaimed Thee risen.

Theotokion

Who among men can explain the manner of thine ineffable birthgiving which took place for our sake, O Virgin Bride of God? For God the Word, Who is uncircumscribable, uniting Himself to thee, became flesh through thee.

Glory to Thee, Our God, glory to Thee.

The law hath come to an end since Christ, Who is the Fulfiller of the law, hath become a babe, receiving circumcision. He hath annulled the curse of the law.

The keeping of the Sabbath, circumcision and the arrogance of the Jews ceased at the behest of Christ Who hath appeared, and the springtime of grace hath shone forth.

Holy Hierarch Basil, pray to God for us.

Thou didst abundantly feed the souls of the poor tormented by starvation, O Basil, and didst fill the hearts of the hungry with all divine gladness.

Thou didst richly feed the hungry with heavenly food; for thy discourse is angelic bread, O Basil, and thou becamest an excellent issuer of the grain thereof.

Like a bee thou didst industriously gather honey from the flowers of all the virtues, O Basil, and as a wise man thou art blessed therein.

Glory... Thou didst yearn to depart this world and to live with God; wherefore, forsaking things inconstant and corrupt, O most blessed Basil, as a wise man thou hast acquired things which are abiding.

Both... Save thy servants from misfortunes, O Theotokos, for after God it is to thee that we flee as to an impregnable rampart and intercession.

C. Katavasia (Tone 2)

The Voice of the Word, the Candlestick of the Light,/ the Morning Star and Forerunner of the Sun,/ cried in the wilderness to all the peoples:/ 'Repent and be cleansed while there is yet time.// For lo, Christ is at hand, Who delivers the world from corruption.

C. Katavasia (Tone 2)

The Father in a voice full of joy/ made manifest His Beloved Whom He had begotten from the womb./ 'Verily,' said He, 'this is My Offspring, of the same nature as Myself:/ Bearing light, He has come forth from mankind,// My living Word, in divine providence made a mortal man.'

P. Small Ectenia

C. Kontakion of St. Basil, Tone 4

Thou hast been shown to be the unshakable foundation of the Church,/ bestowing upon all men a dominion/ which cannot be taken away,/ and sealing them with thy precepts,// O newly revealed and venerable Basil.

R. Ikos for St. Basil

Basil the Great, the cup of chastity, the mouth of wisdom, the foundation of doctrines, shineth forth noetically upon all. Come ye, therefore, and let us stand in the house of God, gazing upon him with fervor, adorning ourselves with his miracles, having been illumined with the splendor of his life, and been cooled by his pure spirit, emulating his faith, ardor and humility, whereby he became a habitation of the essence of God; and, crying aloud unto him, let us chant: O venerable Basil who revealest heavenly things!

R. *Reading from the Prologue or Synaxarion*

Canticle Seven

Irmos: Of old, the children showed the fiery furnace to pour forth dew,/ hymning the one God and saying:/ Supremely exalted and all-glorious// is the God of our fathers!

Glory to Thy Holy Resurrection, O Lord.

Through a tree death came to Adam, who of his own will committed disobedience; but through the obedience of Christ is he restored. For my sake is the all-glorious Son of God crucified.

All creation hath hymned Thee, O Christ, Who rose from the tomb; for Thou didst cause life to blossom forth for those in hades, and resurrection for the dead, and light for those in darkness, O All-glorious One.

Theotokion

Rejoice, daughter of corrupt Adam! Rejoice, only Bride of God! Rejoice, O thou who gavest birth to God, and through whom corruption was driven off! Him do thou beseech, O pure one, that we all be saved.

Glory to Thee, Our God, glory to Thee.

Radiant and most splendid is the nativity of Christ, which today hath depicted the mystery of the restoration which is to come! For the Saviour is circumcised in lawful manner, not as God, but as man, the Fulfillment of the law.

Fulfilling the law, the Creator of the law today is of His own will circumcised in the flesh, cutting off the winter of sin, granting all to cry: Blessed art Thou, O God of our fathers!

Holy Hierarch Basil, pray to God for us.

The Son is the image of the Father, and the Spirit is the image of the Son; and thou, O Basil, art the pure reflection of the Spirit and the abode of the whole Trinity. Blessed is thy memory, and those who glorify it are themselves glorified!

Having plunged thy mind into the unfathomable depths of God and gathered precious pearls of understanding, thou didst fill the world with wisdom, and didst teach it to cry: Blessed art Thou, O God of our fathers!

O the single inspiration of mind of the sacred twain! For, united in divine desire, Basil was in Gregory, and Gregory in Basil, like a single soul, inseparable, in two bodies. Entreat Christ now in behalf of your flock.

The father of orphans and defender of widows, the riches of the poor, the consolation of the sick, the guidance of the wealthy, the staff of old age and instruction of youth, and the rule of virtue for monastics wast thou shown to be, O Basil.

Glory... Having purified thy mind of all filthy defilement, O Basil, thou didst examine spiritual things with the Spirit Whom thou didst desire; wherefore, hymning the Trinity, with boldness thou hast cried out: Blessed art Thou, O God of our fathers!

Both... On Mount Sinai Moses foresaw as a bush which burned with fire thee who received, without being consumed, the unbearable Effulgence of the ineffable Essence, Who united Himself to the coarseness of the flesh, He being One of the holy Hypostases.

C. Katavasia (Tone 2)

The breath of the wind heavy with dew/ and the descent of the angel of God/ preserved the Holy Children from all harm,/ as they walked in the fiery furnace./ Refreshed with dew in the flames, they sang in thanksgiving:// 'Blessed art Thou and praised above all, O Lord God of our fathers.'

C. Katavasia (Tone 2)

He Who stilled the heat of the flame of the furnace/ that mounted high in the air and encircled the godly Children,/ burnt the heads of the dragons in the stream of the Jordan:// And with the dew of the Spirit He washes away// all the stubborn obscurity of sin.

Canticle Eight

Irmos: The bush on Sinai, which partook of fire without being consumed,/ revealed God unto Moses,/ who was slow of speech and spake with difficulty;/ and the zeal of God showed forth the three children in the fire as invincible, who chanted:/ Hymn the Lord, all ye works of the Lord,// and exalt Him supremely forever!

Glory to Thy Holy Resurrection, O Lord.

Slaughtered for the world, the all-pure Lamb brought an end to the sacrifices offered in accordance with the law, in that He is God, purifying it of transgressions, that it may ever cry: Hymn the Lord, all ye works of the Lord, and exalt Him supremely for all ages!

Our flesh, which was assumed by the Creator, was not incorrupt before His suffering; but after His suffering and resurrection it was rendered untouchable by corruption, and restoreth mortals, who cry: Hymn the Lord, all ye works of the Lord, and exalt Him supremely for all ages!

Theotokion

Thy pure and most unblemished state hath purified the vile and abominable state of the whole world, O Virgin; and thou becamest the cause of our reconciliation with God. Wherefore, O all-pure Virgin, all of us, His works, bless and exalt thee supremely for all ages.

Glory to Thee, Our God, glory to Thee.

On the eighth day Jesus the Master was circumcised as a babe; and He receiveth His name, in that He is the Saviour and Lord of the world.

To the nativity of Christ we join the eighth day, the most glorious memorial of the holy hierarch; and honoring it with faith, let us hymn the Lord and exalt Him supremely forever.

Holy Hierarch Basil, pray to God for us.

O ye works of the Lord, bless ye the Lord Who, in His ineffable providence, hath given Basil to the world as a light of piety and clarion of theology!

O ye works of the Lord, bless ye the Lord Who, in His rich activity, made His abode within the wise Basil, and through Him piously gave utterance to theology.

Delighting in thy divine discourses, O Basil, and reveling unceasingly in thy memory, we cry aloud: Bless the Lord, ye works of the Lord!

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

O Basil, thou hast emitted thy discourses upon the world like brilliant rays which by light instruct all to worship the single Essence of the Trinity, crying: Bless the Lord, ye works of the Lord!

Both... O ye works of the Lord, bless ye the Lord, the timeless Word of God, Who issued forth from the Father before time began, and shone forth from the Virgin in latter times.

We praise, we bless, we worship the Lord, praising and supremely exalting Him unto all ages.

C. Katavasia (Tone 2)

The Babylonian furnace,/ as it poured forth dew,/ foreshadowed a marvelous mystery;/ how the Jordan should receive in its streams the immaterial fire,/ and should encompass the Creator, when He was baptized in the flesh.// Him do ye peoples bless and exalt above all for ever.

C. Katavasia (Tone 2)

The creation finds itself set free,/ and those in darkness are now made sons of light:/ Alone the prince of darkness groans./ Let all the inheritance of the nations, that was before in misery,// now bless with eagerness Him Who has wrought this change.

P. Magnificat

C. Song of the Most Holy Theotokos.

Canticle Nine

Irmos: O Mother who knewest not man,/ who gavest birth without experiencing corruption,/ and lent flesh to the Word Who hath fashioned all things,/ O Virgin Theotokos, thou receptacle of Him Whom nought can resist/ and dwelling-place of the Infinite:// thee do we magnify.

Glory to Thy Holy Resurrection, O Lord.

O all ye of alien mind, who assume that the Divinity suffered, stop your mouths; for we magnify the Lord of glory crucified in the flesh, but not crucified in His divine essence, for His is One in two natures.

O ye who believe not in the resurrection of the body, come ye to the tomb of Christ and learn; for the flesh of the Bestower of life was dead and rose again, to assure us of the final resurrection, wherein we hope.

Triadicon

Worshipping a Trinity of Hypostases, not of Godheads, a Oneness of divinity, not of Persons, we cut off those who divide It; moreover, we confound those who dare to confuse that which we magnify.

Glory to Thee, Our God, glory to Thee.

Transcending the bounds of all human nature, Christ was supernaturally born of the Virgin; and as the writing of the law commandeth, He is circumcised in the flesh and shown to be the Fulfiller of the law.

Come, and in holiness let us celebrate the glorious names of Christ the Master; for in godly manner He hath been named Jesus today. And with them let us also magnify the memory of the holy hierarch.

Holy Hierarch Basil, pray to God for us.

O Basil, like a sheep faithful to Christ, the Chief Shepherd, thou didst follow His life-bearing steps; for thou didst expose thy soul to the tyrant, O most blessed father, valiantly braving danger for the sake of the Church.

Beholding the most sacred unity of the Church of Christ, which was adorned by thine episcopate, O wise one, the tyrannical destroyer of all fell as though struck by a bolt of thunder; for he was unable to endure the radiance of the Spirit which was within thee, O Basil.

Glory... O Basil, thou wast vouchsafed an apostolic see, a place in the choir of the athletes of Christ, the tabernacle of the patriarchs, the delight of the righteous and the joy of the prophets; for thou wast a servant of the Theotokos and an initiate of the mysteries of the Trinity.

Both... The Lord Who alone covereth the chambers with waters, Who restraineth the sea and drieth up the depths, and Who received flesh of thee, O pure one, doth hasten from Bethlehem to the Jordan, to be baptized in the flesh.

C. Katavasia (Tone 2)

Every tongue is at a loss to praise thee as is due:/ even a spirit from the World above is filled with dizziness,/ when it seeks to sing thy praises, O Theotokos./ But since Thou art good, accept our faith:/ Thou knowest well our love inspired by God, // for thou art the Protector of Christians and we magnify thee.

C. Katavasia (Tone 2)

O most pure Bride, O blessed Mother,/ the wonders of thy birthgiving pass all understanding./ Through thee we have obtained salvation in all things,/ and, as is right and meet, we rejoice before thee our Benefactor, // bearing as gift a song of thanksgiving.

P. Small Ectenia

C. Holy is the Lord our God...

R. Exapostilarion Ten (John 21:1-14)

At the sea of Tiberias, with the sons of Zebedee, with Nathaniel and Peter, the two other disciples of old with Thomas were fishing. Casting to the right at the command of Christ they drew a multitude of fish. And Peter, recognizing Him, cast himself into the water after Him. This was the third time He appeared to them and He showed them bread and fish upon the coals.

Glory... Exapostilarion of St. Basil

With the desire of love of wisdom thou didst cut away that which covered thy soul, O father, and in thy miracles wast shown to the world to be like the sun; and thou hast illumined the thoughts of the faithful, O divinely wise Basil, initiate of the mysteries of the Trinity and servant of the Theotokos.

Both... Exapostilarion of the Feast

The Creator of the ages, Who hath fulfilled the law, is circumcised in the flesh as a babe eight days of age; He is wrapped in swaddling-bands as a man; He is fed with milk Who, as God, sustaineth all things by His infinite might and holdeth all things in His hand.

C. Lauds: Tone 7 Stichera

Le-et every breath **praise** the Lord/
Praise the Lord from the **Heavens**/
 Pra-**aise** Him in the **highest**/
 To **Thee** is due a **hymn**, O God/
Praise Him, all ye His **Angels**://
 Pra-**aise** Him, all **ye** His hosts.//
 To Thee is due a **hymn**, O God.

R. (The following may be read or sung antiphonally)

Praise Him, O sun and moon; praise Him, all ye stars and light.

Praise Him, ye heavens of heavens, and thou water that art above the heavens.

Let them praise the name of the Lord; For He spake, and they came to be; He commanded, and they were created.

He established them forever, yea, forever and ever; He hath set an ordinance, and it shall not pass away.

Praise the Lord from the earth, ye dragons and all ye abysses,
 Fire, hail, snow, ice, blast of tempest, which perform His word,
 The mountains and all the hills, fruitful trees, and all cedars,
 The beasts and all the cattle, creeping things and winged birds,
 Kings of the earth, and all peoples, princes and all judges of the earth,
 Young men and virgins, elders with the younger; let them praise the name of the Lord, for exalted is the name of Him alone.

His praise is above the earth and heaven, and He shall exalt the horn of His people.

This is the hymn for all His saints, for the sons of Israel, and for the people that draw nigh unto Him.

Sing unto the Lord a new song; His praise is in the church of the saints.

Let Israel be glad in Him that made him, let the sons of Sion rejoice in their king.

Let them praise His name in the dance; with the timbrel and the psaltery let them chant unto Him.

For the Lord taketh pleasure in His people, and He shall exalt the meek with salvation.

The saints shall boast in glory, and they shall rejoice upon their beds.
 The high praise of God shall be in their throat, and two-edged swords shall be in their hands.

To do vengeance among the heathen, punishments among the peoples,
 To bind their kings with fetters, and their nobles with manacles of iron,

V. To do among them the judgment that is written/ This glory shall be to all His saints.

1. **Christ** is risen **from** the dead,/ bursting **asunder** the **chains** of death:/
 Proclaim, O ye earth, tidings of **great** joy:// Sing, O ye heaven, of the **glory** of God.

- V. Praise ye God in His saints,/ praise Him in the firmament of His power.
2. Having beheld the Resurrection of Christ,/ let us worship the Holy Lord Jesus,// Who alone is without sin.
- V. Praise Him for His mighty acts,/ praise Him according to the multitude of His greatness.
3. Let us never cease to hail the Resurrection of Christ/ Who has saved us from our transgressions./ Holy is the Lord Jesus// Who showed forth the Resurrection.
- V. Praise Him with the sound of trumpet,/ praise Him with psaltery and harp.
4. Wha-at shall we give Thee, O Lord,/ for all that Thou hast given us?/ For our sakes Thou, O God, hast lived among men;/ on account of our corrupt nature the Word became flesh and dwelt in us./ He became the Benefactor of the thankless,/ the Liberator of those in captivity;/ He is the Sun of Righteousness for those sitting in darkness;/ He Who is impassible, endured the Cross;/ He is the light in hell; He is Life in death;/ He is the Resurrection of the fallen, and we cry unto Him:// Glory unto Thee, our God.
- V. Praise Him with timbrel and dance,/ praise Him with strings and flute.

Stichera for St. Basil (Tone 5)

5. Having become a child of God through grace,/ by the regeneration of divine baptism, O venerable one,/ in essence and truth thou didst confess the pre-eternal Son and Word of God,/ as consubstantial and equally unoriginate with the Father;/ and with the brilliance of thy words thou didst shut the gaping mouths of the heretics./ Wherefore, thou hast made thine abode in the kingdom on high,/ reigning together with Christ, Who ruleth alone and naturally,// and doth richly accord great mercy unto the world.
- V. Praise Him with tuneful cymbals, praise Him with cymbals of jubilation./ Let every breath praise the Lord.
6. Through activity and vision thou didst enter within the temple of heaven as a sacred priest,/ vested in the principles of wisdom as with holy raiment./ And now, serving as priest at the altar of heaven, O venerable one,/ and standing before God, performing the immaterial service,/ mercifully remember those who celebrate thy sacred and most honored memory, O most blessed Basil,// entreating Christ, Who granteth the world great mercy.
- V. My mouth shall speak wisdom, and the meditation of my heart shall be of understanding.

7. **Wholly** consecrated to God and dedicated to Him from childhood in **every** way,/ shining forth with the rays of wisdom **all**-divine/ **thou** hast made clear the understanding of those things **which** exist,/ speaking plainly and holding forth in **wisdom**,/ revealing the order of nature, that all may recognize the **work** of God./ **Wherefore**, we proclaim thee to be a divinely eloquent and godly **teacher**/ **and** a radiant beacon of the Church, who **prayeth** to Christ,// Who granteth the world great **mercy**.

V. The mouth of the righteous shall meditate wisdom, and his tongue shall speak of judgment.

8. **Grace** was poured forth in thy lips, O venerable **father**,/ and thou wast a shepherd of the **Church** of Christ,/ **teaching** the reason-endowed sheep to believe in the consubstantial **Trinity**,// in the one **Godhead**.

Glory... Gospel Sticheron, (Tone 6)

After the **descent** into hell/ and the Resurrection **from** the dead,/ the disciples in all **likelihood**,/ losing heart at Thy parting from **them**, O Christ,/ turned to work, and again to their **boats** and nets,/ and nowhere **was** there a catch./ But Thou, O Saviour, hast been revealed as **Master** of all,/ and hast commanded them to cast the net on the **right** side./ And straightway the word **became** the deed,/ and there was a great **multitude** of fish/ and Thou hast prepared on land a strange **supper**./ In this same supper of which Thy disciples **then** partook,// make us now worthy to delight in mind, O Lord, Who **lovest** mankind.

Both now and ever... (Tone 2)

Most Blessed art Thou, O Virgin Theotokos,/ for through Him Who became incarnate of thee is hades led **captive**,/ **Adam** recalled, the curse annulled, Eve set free, **death** slain,/ and we are given life. Wherefore, we cry **aloud** in praise:/ Blessed art Thou, O **Christ** God,// Who hast been thus well-pleased, **glory** to Thee.

P. The Great Doxology

R. Dismissal Tropar:

Today is salvation come unto the world; let us sing to Him Who arose from the tomb, and is the Author of our life. For having destroyed death by death, He hath given us the victory and great mercy.

P. Litanies
Dismissal

R. Hours:

Tropar: Resurrection & Feast/Saint alternating

Kontak: Feast/Saint alternating

At Liturgy of Saint Basil:

Order of Troparia & Kontakia as follows:

Tropar Sunday

Tropar Circumcision

Tropar St. Basil

Glory... Kontak St. Basil
Both... Kontak Circumcision

Prokimenon for the Sunday before Theophany (Tone 6)
O Lord, save Thy people, and bless Thine inheritance.
V. Unto Thee, O Lord, will I cry; O my God, be not silent unto me.

Prokimenon for St. Basil (Tone 1)
My mouth shall speak wisdom...

Epistle(s): IITim 4:5-8 & ITim 1:15-17 & Col 2:8-12

Alleluia for the Sunday before Theophany (Tone 6)
V. God be gracious unto us and bless us.
V. Cause His face to shine upon us and have mercy upon us.

Alleluia for the Circumcision (Tone 8)
V. O Shepherd of Israel, attend, Thou that leadest Joseph like a sheep.

Gospel(s): Mark 1:1-8 & Luke 18:35-43 & Luke 2:20-21, 40-52
The Epistle & Gospel readings for the Hierarch are omitted

Instead of "It is truly meet...", sing "In thee rejoiceth all creation"

Communion Verse: Praise Ye & In everlasting remembrance...