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THE RESURRECTION
OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST
THE SELECT PASSEOVER LAMB OF GOD*

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Welcome to the beauty of Holiness and the biblical and the historical vision of heavenly worship. **W**elcome to our ongoing Song of Faith and of Love and of hope and almost two thousand years of uninterrupted Christian witness and service. Come and stay with us in the eternal celebration of the Mystery that is God and the Gospel Good News of God's love and grace; given by God and Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit to the Holy Apostles and to the Church.

Today we celebrate the "True, mighty, triumphant, wondrous, majestic holy Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ!" We celebrate our Christian Passover! We celebrate our passage from darkness to light, from death to life, from mortality to immortality, from corruption to incorruption. With Christ; we rise up from the tears of suffering, death and burial to the celebration of eternal life in Heaven!

ORDER OF WORSHIP
THE HEAVENLY LITURGY
JESUS CHRIST THE ETERNAL WORD OF GOD
*High Priest and Liturgist-
Shepherd and King-Prophet and Teacher*



HOLY BADARAK

Proclaiming and celebrating the mystery of God's love and the new covenant and the new spiritual sacrifice of thanksgiving and of praise before the Holy Table of the Lord at the Feast in the Kingdom of God.

LITURGY OF PREPARATION

MEDITATION MELODY

MEGHETI-ANTHEMS

The immortal and heavenly bridegroom on this day is risen from the dead; rejoice and be glad, O thou bride from the earth, holy church. Bless your GOD with a joyful voice, O Zion. On this day the ineffable light of light did illumine your children; be thou illumined, O Jerusalem, for Christ, your light, is risen from the dead. Bless thy GOD with joyful voice, O Zion. On this day was the darkness of ignorance dispelled by the threefold light, and the light of knowledge was shed upon you. Bless your GOD with joyful voice, O Zion.

PROCESSIONAL SONG OF CENSING

Today the dead with the living sing the tidings; Christ is risen. The Savior of the world is risen and has redeemed from death the human race. We celebrate thy resurrection (ascension, advent, etc.) From virgin rock he arose today, and the captives, He delivered from the hands of the captors. I declare with the voice of the lion, which thundered through the four-winged angel; he thundered through the four-winged angel and resounded in the infernal regions. The king of glory is risen: Rejoice! Why do you seek the immortal among the dead? Rejoice! Good news for you and for us! On this day the marvelous Sun (of righteousness) shone forth His light anew. On this day in the newly-planted flower-garden the lily bloomed.

JASHOU

Celebrating today's nourishing feast of Holy Scripture

LITURGY OF THE WORD

He, who hears my word and believes Him Who sent Me, has eternal life John 5:24 Eat these written words, that I give you and be filled. I heard it and I tasted it as sweet honey. Ezk 2:1-3:3; If any one hears Me, I will eat with Him Rv. 3:20-22 He explained Himself in all the scriptures Luke24:22; Let them who have ears to hear, Listen! Mark 4:9 I recite your marvels one by one, I rejoice and exult in you I sing praise to your name most High Psalm 9:1

ENTRANCE HYMN FOR EASTER SUNDAY

Christ is risen from the dead! By his death he trampled death, and by his resurrection he granted us life; glory be to him for ever Amen.

Sublime and wonderful is the mystery of our salvation. He, who was begotten of the Father before all time, ineffably took human body from the holy Virgin, endured the suffering of the cross, and by his death granted us the grace of life.

JASHOU PSALM

Psalm 1, in full, then “Alleluia”

Psalm 2, in full, then “Alleluia”

Psalm 3, in full, then “Alleluia”..

JASHOU HYMN

Praise the LORD, O Jerusalem. Christ is risen from the dead; Alleluia. Come, O you people, let us sing unto the LORD: Alleluia. To him who is risen from the dead: Alleluia; who has enlightened the world: Alleluia.

PROCESSION OF THE GOSPELS

THRICE HOLY HYMN OF HEAVEN

Feast of Zadig

Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy and Immortal,
who rose from the dead,
have mercy upon us.

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UNIVERSAL PRAYER

We have a High Priest...who always lives to intercede for us Heb 7:25 First of all, then, I urge that petitions, prayers, requests, and thanksgivings be offered to God for all people. 1Tm 2:1

Deacon: For the peace of the whole world and for the stability of the Holy Church, let us pray to the Lord.

People and Choir: Lord have mercy,-Der voghormya

Deacon: For all holy and orthodox bishops, let us pray to the Lord.

People and Choir: Lord have mercy,-Der voghormya.....

NEW TESTAMENT

This course is the Acts of the Apostles from the Apostle Luke
Acts 1:15-26

Choosing Someone To Proclaim The Resurrection

A few days later there was a meeting of the believers, about a hundred and twenty in all, and Peter stood up to speak. "My brothers," he said, "the scripture had to come true in which the Holy Spirit, speaking through David, made a prediction about Judas, who was the guide for those who arrested Jesus. Judas was a member of our group, for he had been chosen to have a part in our work."

(With the money that Judas got for his evil act he bought a field, where he fell to his death; he burst open and all his insides spilled out. All the people living in Jerusalem heard about it, and so in their own language they call that field Akeldama, which means "Field of Blood.") "For it is written in the book of Psalms, 'May his house become empty; may no one live in it.' It is also written, 'May someone else take his place of service.'

"So then, someone must join us as a witness to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus. He must be one of the men who were in our group during the whole time that the Lord Jesus traveled about with us, beginning from the time John preached his message of baptism until the day Jesus was taken up from us to heaven."

So they proposed two men: Joseph, who was called Barsabbas (also known as Justus), and Matthias. Then they prayed, "Lord, you know the thoughts of everyone, so show us which of these two you have chosen to serve as an apostle in the place of Judas, who left to go to the place where he belongs." Then they drew lots to choose between the two men, and the one chosen was Matthias,

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ALLELUIA PSALM

147:12-20

A Song Of Praise To The Lord

Alleluia Alleluia

Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem! Praise your God, O Zion! He keeps your gates strong; he blesses your people. He keeps your borders safe and satisfies you with the finest wheat. He gives a command to the earth, and what he says is quickly done. He spreads snow like a blanket and scatters frost like dust. He sends hail like gravel; no one can endure the cold he sends! Then he gives a command, and the ice melts; he sends the wind, and the water flows. He gives his message to his people, his instructions and laws to Israel. He has not done this for other nations; do not know his laws. Praise the Lord!

Alleluia

GOSPEL OF JESUS CHRIST

ACCORDING TO MARK 16:2-8

Jesus Is Alive

Very early on Sunday morning, at sunrise, they went to the tomb. On the way they said to one another, “Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?” (It was a very large stone.) Then they looked up and saw that the stone had already been rolled back. So they entered the tomb., where they saw a young man sitting at the right, wearing a white robe—and they were alarmed. “Don’t be alarmed,” he said, “I know you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He is not here—He has been raised! Look, here is the place where He was placed. Now go and give this message to his disciples, including Peter; ‘He is going to Galilee ahead of you; there you will see him, just as he told you.’” So they went out and ran from the tomb, distressed and terrified. They said nothing to anyone, because they were afraid.

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.HEAVENLY LITURGY OF THE HOLY BADARAK

Celebrating the Mystery of the New and Eternal Spiritual Sacrifice of Thanksgiving and Praise and Glory and Heavenly Worship at the Feast of the Kingdom of God *Because of God's great mercy...offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, this is your authentic spiritual worship of mind and heart. Romans 12:1*

APOSTOLIC KISS OF PEACE

Greet each other with a holy kiss. Romans 16:16; 1 Cor 16:20; 2 Cor 13:12; 1 Thes 5:26. When you present your gift at the altar, if there you remember that your brother has anything against you, leave your gift before the altar and first go and be reconciled with your brother and then offer your gift, Matt 5:23-24. Greet each other with a kiss of love. 1 Peter 5:14.

EASTER GREETING

**CHRIST IS RISEN FROM THE DEAD!
CHRISTOS HARYAV E MERELOTZ!**

**BLESSED IS THE RESURRECTION OF CHRIST!
ORHNYAL E AROUTIUN CHRISTOSSE!**

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*Give thanks to the Lord because the Lord is good; The Lords love is eternal...
...Let them offer thanks to the Lord, for the Lord's constant love; For the wonderful things the Lord did for them. Let them sacrifice the sacrifices of thanksgiving, And proclaim God's wonderful work with joy. Psalm 107:1 &21-22*

HOLY COMMUNION

I Am the Bread that came down from heaven ... whoever eats this bread, will live forever ...has eternal life and I will raise them up on the last day...they will live in me, and I in them...John 6:51-55; Blessed are they who eat Bread in Kingdom of God, Luke 14:15; ...That you may eat and drink at My table in My kingdom...Luke 22:36 Taste and see the sweet goodness of the lord Ps 34:8.

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

In holiness, let us taste of the Holy, Holy and precious body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, Who having come down from heaven, is now dispensed among us. This is life, Hope, Resurrection, Expiation and Forgiveness of Sins.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

We thank You, Christ our God, Who has granted us this taste of Your goodness unto our Holiness of life. Keep us herewith, holy and with out sin, and do You dwell among us and grant to us You divine protection. Tend us in the pasture of Your holy and benevolent will, with which, being fortified against all the wiles of the adversary, we may be made worthy to hear Your voice alone, and to follow You, our only victorious and true shepherd and to obtain from You the peace, prepared for us in Your kingdom of Heaven, our God and our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.. Amen.

CHRIST IS RISEN FROM THE DEAD!
KRISDOS HARYAV E MERELTZ!

BLESSED IS THE RESURRECTION OF CHRIST!
ORHNYAL E HAROUTIUNN KRISDOSI!

FOR ALL OF US AND FOR ALL OF YOU, GREAT TIDINGS!!
MEZ E YEV TZEZEE MEDZ AVEDIS

THE RESURRECTION



HE IS RISEN!

Matthew 28:1-8; Mark 16:1-8; Luke 24:1-12; John 20:1-10

OUR ANCIENT CHRISTIAN HERITAGE

Our Inheritance is in Christ
Heb 1:10-12

165 AD Saint Melito Bishop of Sardis

The Sacrifice of the Lamb and the celebration of the Passover—*”Zadig”*, have been fulfilled in Christ...Born as a Son, led like a lamb; ...It is He Who led us out from slavery to Freedom; from darkness to light; from death to life; from tyranny to eternal kingship. He is the Passover—*”Zadig”* of our salvation... ..He rose from the depth of the tomb... He is risen from the dead!

285 AD Saint Gregory the Illuminator

He died for the dead! And He rose that by His resurrection He might be and example...Thereby fulfilling Holy Scripture; “I shall open your graves, says the Lord, I will raise you up from your tombs” Ezekiel 37:12 and “The dead will rise and whoever are in their tombs will stand up, for this dew is their healing” Isaiah 26:19.