Matins Propers Sunday of the Samaritan Woman

in the Fourth Tone with the Seventh Resurrection Gospel

(On the 51st Sunday since last Pentecost)

After "Glory to the holy, consubstantial...Amen." (page 1) the following is sung once by the celebrant and then twice by all:



Matins then continues with "Glory to God in the highest..." on page 1

Hexapsalmos

The reader chants only **Psalm 3** *on page 2 followed by "Glory…" on page 6. Matins then continues with the Litany of Peace on page 7.*



Troparia (page 9)







Kathismata (page 10)

People:Lord, have mercy (three times)Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit

Reader: Now and ever and forever. Amen.

from the 3rd Kathisma:

Psalm 15

Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you. I say to you Lord: "You are my God. My happiness lies in you alone." To all the saints in his land, the Lord has shown all the wonders of his will. Those who choose other gods increase their sorrows. Never will I offer their offerings of blood. Never will I take their name upon my lips. O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup; it is you yourself who are my prize. The lot marked out for me is my delight: welcome indeed the heritage that falls to me! I shall bless you, Lord, you give me counsel, and even at night direct my heart. I set the Lord ever before me; with him at my right hand I shall not be disturbed. And so, my heart rejoices, my soul is glad; even my body shall rest in safety. For you will not leave my soul among the dead, nor let your beloved know decay. You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence, at your right hand happiness forever.

Reader:Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy SpiritPeople:Now and ever and forever. Amen.

Alleluia, alleluia! Glory to you, O God! (*three times*)

Matins continues with the Small Litany on page 10. Sessional Hymn (page 11)



and we glo - ri - fy you.

Matins continues with Ps. 118 (p. 17) and then Hosts of Angels (p. 18).



Stepenna (page 21)

The Stepenna (Gradual Hymns) are omitted & Matins continues with the Prokeimenon ("Let us be attentive!") on page 22.



Deacon: We heard with our own ears, O God; our fathers have told us the story of the things you did in days long ago

Matins continues with the Preparation for the Gospel ("Let us pray...") on page 22.



The Preparation for the Gospel continues with "That we may be deemed..." on page 23. The Seventh Resurrection Gospel is read (John 20:1-10).

> Matins continues with the Hymn of the Resurrection on p. 24 (the repetitions of this hymn are omitted).

> > The usual stichera at Psalm 50 (p. 28) are sung.

The Ganon (page 32)

The faithful come forward to venerate the Gospel Book on the tetrapod. *The Canons of Pascha and Mid-Pentecost and Odes 1-3 are omitted.*



Let the heavens rejoice and let the earth exalt! The Lord is risen and has appeared to all his apostles. *Refrain*

Your power, O Death, has been abolished by the death of Christ our God; and as the spouses come forth from the bridal chamber, the dead arise from the tomb, following the risen Lord. *Refrain*

Why are you crying, O women? Why do you come with myrrh looking for the immortal One? He is risen as he promised, said the angel to the myrrh-bearing women. *Refrain*

O Lord, to the woman of Samaria who asked you for water, you gave the water of divine knowledge; she no longer thirsts, but she praises you always.



O Trinity and supreme God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, sharing the same power and the same eternity, save all who praise your name.



Moses, the giver of the Law, formerly saw you in the burning bush, and Daniel recognized you in the holy mountain, O only Virgin who gave birth to God.



Ode 5 is omitted and the Canon continues with Ode 6



The impious ones nailed you to the Cross, and a sword pierced your side; the noble Joseph buried you in a new tomb, O Jesus Christ. You resurrected in glory and raised with you all creation, who now praises your power, O Savior. *Refrain*

O Lord, in your power you crushed the gates and bolts of Hades; you resurrected as God and told the myrrh-bearing women to rejoice. They in turn announced to the disciples: The living God is risen and has appeared to enlighten the world. *Refrain*

O women, why do you weep for the dead? And why do you bring this myrrh? Christ is risen, said the resplendent angel; he has left the linen shroud and the cloth. Go quickly to his friends and announce the Resurrection! *Refrain*

O inexhaustible Source of life, O Ocean of mercy and lord of goodness, you stopped on the way and were seated at Jacob's well; to the Samaritan woman you said: Give me water to drink, and you shall receive streams of forgiveness.



With the bodiless angels I praise in faith the eternal Father, the Son who shares the same throne in heaven, and the consubstantial Spirit, the unique and royal majesty, the divine Creator and the providence of the world.



O only Virgin who gave birth, we praise you as the throne of the Lord, the impassable door and unhewn mountain, the spiritual candlestick and the room filled with light, the tabernacle that manifests glory, the ark of the covenant, the chalice, and the holy table.





Matins continues with the Small Litany on page 33.

Kontakion & Ikos (page 34)

From the Pentecostarion for the Samaritan Woman (Tone 8):



Ikos: Let us worthily listen to the Gospel in which St. John clearly teaches us about the sacred mysteries which took place one time in Samaria. Speaking to a woman, the Lord asked her for water, he who formerly gathered the waters in one place, the Word of God who shares the same throne with the Father and the Spirit. For he has come to seek his fallen image, and his memory is glorified forever.

Ode 7 is omitted and the Canon continues with Ode 8.



You willingly suffered death, O immortal One; and you crushed the bronze gates; you took Hades captive, O heavenly King, and freed those who had been held there through the ages so that they may unceasingly praise the power of your goodness. *Refrain*

O long-suffering One, you were raised on the Cross; the rocks were split open and the sun hid itself; the curtain of the Temple was torn in two; the earth shook and Hades was humiliated, trembling because it had to give up its prisoners. *Refrain*

You appeared to those lying in darkness, O unsetting Light and Life of the world; when the just people saw you, they were jubilant and cried out: You have come to deliver the captives by your power which we now praise. *Refrain*

Seated at the well at the sixth hour of the day, you gave living water to the Samaritan woman, O Savior God, and in your goodness, you granted her streams of knowledge. For this reason, we also sing to you: Bless the Lord, all you works of the Lord.



We praise the Father who is from all eternity, the co-eternal Son, and the Spirit of holiness, tri-personal and unique Divinity, having neither confusion nor division, the Creator of the world and sovereign majesty for whom we now sing: Bless the Lord, all you works of the Lord.



With lips purified by a burning coal, Isaiah foretold the Fire of the Divinity who was incarnate of you, O Virgin, in a wondrous fashion. He burned away the sins of mortals to divinize our nature in his love, O all-pure Virgin.



The Canticle of the Theotokos is **not** sung and the Canon continues with Ode 9.



Behold Christ, the Life of all, who of his own will is seen hanging on the Cross. Seeing this, both the earth and the prisons of Hades trembled, and many of the just were raised up in their bodies. *Refrain*

You came forth from the tomb, resplendent in beauty, as a bridegroom coming forth from his bridal chamber. O Christ, you have conquered Death; and by your divine power you broke the tyranny and the bolts of Hades, illuminating the world by your holy Resurrection. *Refrain*

Let us all together form a spiritual choir to sing praises to the risen Lord. Let the earth exalt and let heaven rejoice; let the clouds rain down justice like the dew upon those who keep this feast of Christ; and let us celebrate in joy! *Refrain*

The Source of every good thing, who give life to all the living, and who pours out his teachings in abundance, says to the woman of Samaria: Give me water to drink, that I may in turn give you the water which will dry up the stream of your sins.



O unique Light having no division, such is the triple Sun of the one Divinity: the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, unique Life and Creator of the universe. Together with the angels let us, the faithful, sing to him with a thrice-holy and sacred song.



O pure Virgin and tabernacle of the Light, enlighten the eyes of my heart which have been blinded by the deceits of the Enemy; and make me worthy to contemplate with a pure heart the marvelous brightness of the brilliant Sun who is born of your womb.



Matins continues with the Small Litany on page 36.



Glory...

Meeting a woman in a village of Samaria, O almighty Savior, you asked her for water to drink, even though in ancient times in the desert you brought forth from the most hard rock the stream from which Israel drank in abundance. O Giver of life, you awakened faith in the heart of the Samaritan woman, and she now tastes both joy and living water in heaven forever.

Now and ever...

O Lord and Lover of us all, you appeared in the Temple in the middle of the Feast and said: All who thirst, come to me and draw the living water; in it you will find joy and you shall enjoy both grace and eternal life.

Matins continues with the Psalms of Praise.



The Psalms of Praise continue with "Praise him, sun and moon..." on page 38.

Stichera (page 40)

The Stichera from the Octoechoes (Tone 4) are omitted.

The usual Sunday verses are **not** used. In their place, the following:

Cantor (Tone 3): Ride on in triumph for the cause of truth and goodness and right



Cantor (*Tone 6*): Your love is for justice; your hatred for evil. Therefore, God, your God, has anointed you with the oil of gladness.





Matins continues with "Now and ever..." & the Theotokion for normal Sundays on p. 41.