

**Christ is Risen!**  
**Χριστός Βοσκρесе!**  
**Χριστός ἀνέστη!**

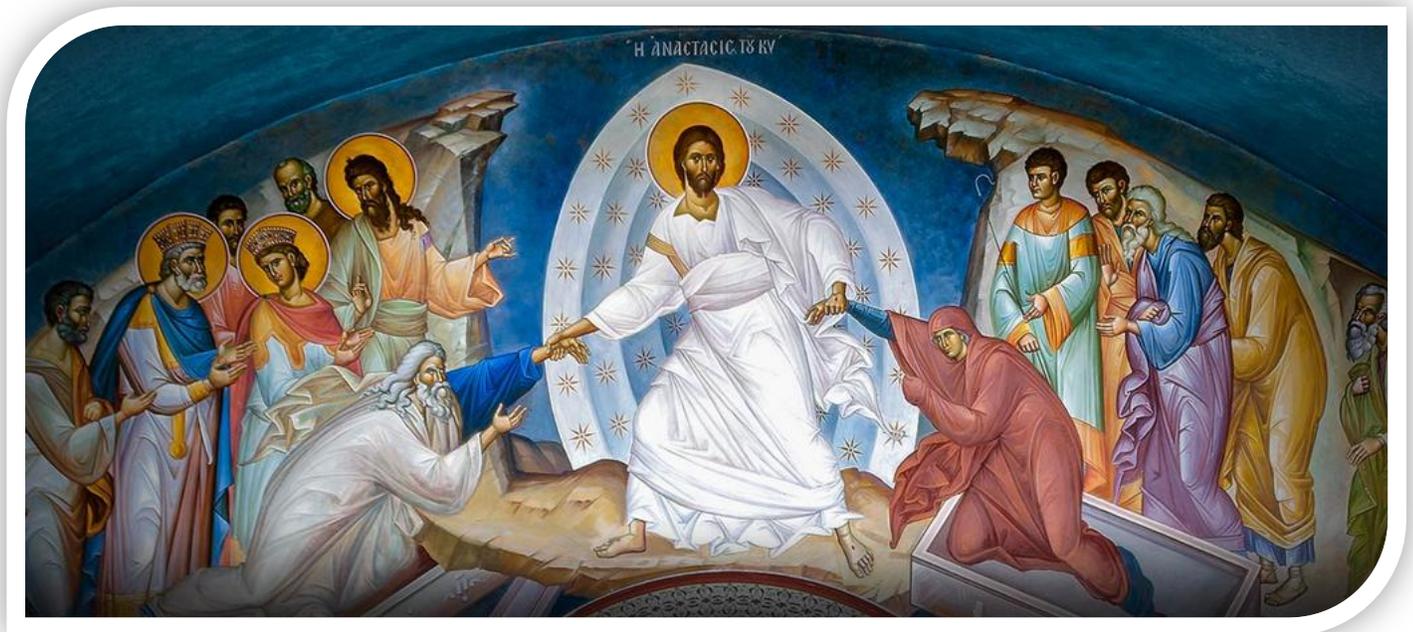
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**Indeed He is Risen!**  
**Βοιστίνυ Βοσκρесе!**  
**Ἀληθῶς ἀνέστη!**

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**THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD**



**Epistle: Acts of the Apostles 1:1 – 8**  
**GOSPEL: John 1:1-17**



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**COLLECTION**

Adults: \$1505  
Initial Off.: \$4

Children: \$10  
Eastern Europe: \$5

Lenten Off.: \$20  
**TOTAL: \$1553**

Candles: \$9



**The CATECHETICAL HOMILY of**  
**St. John Chrysostom Archbishop of Constantinople**

Whosoever is a devout lover of God, let him enjoy this beautiful bright Festival. And whosoever is a grateful servant, let him blissfully enter into the joy of his Lord. And if any be weary with fasting, let him now receive his reward.

If any has toiled from the first hour, let him receive his just debt. If any came after the third (hour) let him gratefully celebrate. If any arrived after the sixth, let him not doubt; for he too shall sustain no loss. If any have delayed to the ninth, let him come without hesitation. If any arrived only at the eleventh hour, let him not be afraid by reason of his delay; for the Master is gracious and receives the last, even as the first. He gives rest to him who arrives at the eleventh hour, as well as to him who has labored from the first.

He is merciful to the one who delays, and nourishes the first. He gives also to the one, and to the other He is gracious. He accepts the works, as He greets the endeavor. He honors the deed, and the intent He commends.

Let all of you then enter into the joy of our Lord. The first and last enjoy your reward. You rich and poor, rejoice together. You temperate and you heedless, honor the day. You who fasted, and you who did not, rejoice today. The Table is richly laden. All of you fare sumptuously on it. The calf is a fatted one; let no one go away hungry. All of you enjoy the banquet of faith.

All of you enjoy the riches of His goodness. Let no one grieve poverty; for the universal Kingdom has been revealed. Let no one grieve over sins; for forgiveness has dawned from the tomb. Let no one fear death; for the Death of our Savior has set us free.

He has destroyed it by enduring it. He despoiled Hades, when He descended thereto. Hades was embittered having tasted of His flesh. Isaiah foretold this when he cried out:

*«You, O Hades, have been embittered  
by encountering Him below.»*

- It was embittered for it was abolished.
- It was embittered for it was mocked.
- It was embittered for it was slain.
- It was embittered for it was annihilated.
- It was embittered for it is now made captive.

It took a body, and lo, it discovered God! It took earth and behold! it encountered Heaven. It took what it saw, and was overcome by what it could not see.

***O death, where is your sting?  
O Hades, where is your victory?***

- ✠ **Christ is risen** and you are annihilated.
- ✠ **Christ is risen** and the demons have fallen.
- ✠ **Christ is risen** and the Angels rejoice.
- ✠ **Christ is risen** and life is liberated.
- ✠ **Christ is risen** and the tomb is emptied of the dead;

for Christ, having risen from the dead, is become the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep. To Him be the glory and the dominion unto the Ages of Ages. Amen.



### **Troparion — Tone 8**

Grace shining forth from your lips like a beacon has enlightened the universe. It has shown to the world the riches of poverty; it has revealed to us the heights of humility. Teaching us by your words, O Father John Chrysostom, intercede before the Word, Christ our God, to save our souls!

