

The Paschal Kanon

ODE 1

Russian "Greek" Chant, Tone 1
English setting and arrangement
by Vladimir Morosan

Heirmos.

Soprano
Alto

Tenor
Bass

This is the day of res - ur - rec - tion! Let us be il -

lu - mined, O peo - ple! Pas - cha, the Pas - cha of the Lord!

For from death to life and from earth to

heav - en has Christ God led us, as we sing the song of

Refrain.

vic - to - ry. Christ is ris - en from the dead.

Troparion 1.

let us pu - ri - fy our sen - ses and we shall see Christ

shin - ing in the un - ap - proach - a - ble light of His

res - ur - rec - tion. We shall clear - ly hear Him say: — “Re-joyce,”

Refrain.

as we sing the song of vic - to - ry. Christ is ris - en from the dead.

Troparion 2.

Let the heav-ens, as is fit - ting re-joice, and let the earth

be glad! Let the whole world, visible and invis - i - ble, keep the

feast, for Christ is ris - en, our e - ter - nal joy.

Paschal Troparion
(three times)

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ODE 3

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Heirmos.

Come, — let — us drink, not mi - rac - u - lous wa - ter

drawn forth from a bar - ren stone, but a new vin - tage from the

fount of in - cor - rup - tion, spring - ing from the tomb of Christ, in

Refrain.

Whom we are — es - tab - lished. Christ is ris - en from the dead.

Troparion 1.

Now all is filled with light: heav en and earth

and the low - er re - gions. Let all cre - a - tion

cel - e - brate the ris - ing of Christ, by which it is es

Refrain.

tab - lished Christ is ris - en from the dead.

Troparion 2.

Yes - ter - day I was bur - ied with Thee O Christ. To - day

a - rise with Thee in Thy res - ur - rec - tion. Yes - ter - day

I was cru - ci - fied with Thee. Glo - ri - fy with

Thee, You, O - nor, in Thy Your king - dom.

Paschal Troparion
(three times)

*)The G-sharp is optional. G-natural is preferred.

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ODE 4

Heirmos.

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The in-spired Prop-het Ha-bak-kuk now stands with us in
ho-ly vig-il. He is like a shin-ing an-gel who
cries with a pierc-ing voice: "To-day sal-va-tion has come
to the world for Christ is risen as all pow-er-ful."

Refrain.

Christ is ris-en from the dead.

Troparion 1.

Christ our Pas-cha has ap - peared as a male Child, the Son

that o - pens a vir - gin womb. He is called the Lamb, as One

des - tined to be our Food, un - blem - ished, for He has not

tast - ed of cor - rup - tion and per - fect, for He is

Refrain.

our True God. Christ is ris - en from the dead.

Troparion 2.

Christ, the crown with which we are blessed has ap-peared

Year-ling Lamb. Free-ly He has giv - en Him - self

as our cleansing Pas - chal Sac - ri - fice. From the tomb

He has shone forth once as our ra - di - ant Sun of

right - eous - ness.

Paschal Troparion
(three times)

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ODE 5

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Heirmos.

Let us a - rise at the ris - ing of the sun and

bring to the Mas - ter a hymn in - stead of myrrh. And we shall see

Christ, the Sun of right - eous - ness, who caus - es us to

Terrain.

dawn for all. Christ is ris - en from the dead.

*) The G-sharp is optional. G-natural is preferred.

Troparion 1.

The souls bound in the chains of hell, O Christ, see - ing Thy Your

com - pas - sion with - out mea - sure, pressed onward to the Light with

joy - ful steps praising the E - ter - nal Pas - cha.

Refrain.

Christ is risen from the dead.

*)The G-sharp is optional. G-natural is preferred.

Troparion 2.

Let us go with lamps in hand to meet Christ, Who

comes from the tomb like a Bride - groom,

and with the fes - tive ranks of An - gels let us

cel - e - brate the sav - ing Pas - cha of God.

Paschal Troparion
(three times)

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ODE 6

("Thou/Thy" variant*)

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Thou didst descend, O Christ, to the depths of the earth,

Thou didst break the ev - er - last - ing bars which had held death's cap -

tives, and like Jo - nah from the whale on the third day, Thou didst a -

rise from the grave. Christ is ris - en from the dead.

*)Because providing variants for Ode 6 in both modern and traditional styles of English on the same page would have been potentially confusing, the two are offered on separate pages.

Troparion 1.

Thou didst a - rise, O Christ, and yet the tomb re - mained

sealed, as at Thy birth the Vir - gin's womb re - mained un-harmed,

and Thou hast o - pened for us the gates of par - a - dise.

Refrain.

Christ is risen from the dead.

Troparion 2.

O my Sav - ior, as God Thou didst bring Thy - self free - ly to the

fa - ther, a Victim living and un - sac - ri - ficed, res - ur - rect - ing And

am, the fa - ther of us all when Thou didst a - rise from the grave

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(three times)

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ODE 6

("You/Your" variant*)

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Heirmos.

You des-cend-ed, O Christ, to the depths of the earth,

You broke the ev-er-last-ing bars which had held death's cap-

tives, and like Jo-nah from the whale on the third day, You a-

Refrain.

rose from the grave. Christ is ris-en from the dead.

*)Because providing variants for Ode 6 in both modern and traditional styles of English on the same page would have been potentially confusing, the two are offered on separate pages.

Troparion 1.

You a-rose, O Christ, and yet the tomb re-mained sealed,

as at Your birth the Vir-gin's womb re-mained un-harmed;

and You have o-pened for us the gates of par-a-dise.

Refrain.

Christ ris-en from the dead.

Troparion 2.

O my Sav - ior, as God You brough Your self free - ly to the Fa -

ther, a Victim living and un - sac - ri - ficed, res - ur - rect - ing Ad

am, the fa - ther of us all, when You a - rose from the grave.

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ODE 7

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He who saved the three young men in the fur - nace

be - came in - car - nate and suf - fered as a mor - tal man

Through His suf - fer - ings He clothed what is mor - tal in the robe of

im - mor - tal - i - ty. He a - lone is bles - sed and most glo - rious, the

Refrain.

God of our fa - thers. Christ is ris - en from the dead.

Troparion 1.

The god - ly wom - en had has - ended to Thee You with myrrh,

O Christ. In tears they had sought Thee You as a dead man,

but in joy they worshipped Thee You as the liv - ing God and pro

claimed the mys - ti - cal Pas - cha to Thy dis - ci - ples.

Refrain.

Christ is ris - en from the dead.

Troparion 2.

We cel - e - brate the death of death and the o - ver-throw

of hell, the be - gin - ning of ano - ther life which is e - ter

nal, and in ex - al - ta - tion we sing the prais - es of its Source

He a - lone is bles - sed and most glo - rious, the God of our

Refrain.

fa - thers. Christ is ris - en from the dead.

Troparion 3.

This is the bright and sav - ing night sa - cred and su -

prece ly fes - tal. It her - alds the ra - dant day of the

Res - ur - rec - tion on which the Time - less Light

shone forth from the tomb for all.

Paschal Troparion
(three times)

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ODE 8

Heirmos.

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This is the cho - sen and ho - ly day, first of

Sab - baths, king and lord of days; the feast of

feasts, ho - ly day of ho - ly day. On this day we

Refrain.

bless Christ for - ev - er - more. Christ is ris - en from the dead.

Troparion 1.

Come on this chosen day of res-ur-rec-tion, let us par-

take of the new fruit of the vine. Let us share in the di-

vine re-joic-ing of the king-dom of Christ, praising Him as

Refrain

God for-ev-er more. Christ is ris-en from the dead.

Troparion 2.

Lift up thine eyes, O Lord, on round a - bout and

see Thy child - ren like di - vine - ly shin - ing stars

as - sem - ble from the North, the South, the East and the West

to bless Christ in the for - ev - er - more.

Refrain.

Most Ho - ly Trin - i - ty, our God, glo - ry to You. Thee.

Troparion 3.

Fa - ther al - might - y, Word, and Spi - rit, One Na - ture

in Three Per - sons, sur - pass - ing es - sence and di - vin - i - ty.

In Thee You have we been bap - tized, and Thee You we bless for

ev - er more.

Paschal Troparion
(three times)

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Paschal Kanon

Refrains at the 9th Ode

(Abbreviated for customary parish usage)

Refrain 1.

Slowly. ♩ = 100–112

Refrains based on
Russian "Greek" Chant

Soprano
Alto

My son mag - ni - fies Him Who rose from the

Tenor
Bass

tomb on the third day, Christ the Giv - er of life!

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ODE 9

Heirmos.

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Faster. $\text{♩} = 92-100$

Shine! Shine! O new Je - ru - sa - lem The

glo - ry of the Lord has shone on thee.

you.

Ex - ult now and be glad O Zi - on.

Be ra - di - ant, O pure The - o - to - kos,

in the res - ur - rec - tion of thy son.

Refrain 2.

Slowly ♩ = 100–112

Christ, the new Pas - cha! The Liv - ing Sac - ri - fice,

the Lamb of God Who takes a - way the sins of the world!

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Troparion 1.

Faster. ♩ = 92–100

How di-vine! How be-liv-ed! How sweet is Thy voice, O

Christ! For Thou hast faith-ful-ly prom-ised to be

with us to the end of the world. Hav-ing this as our

an-chor of hope, we the faith-ful re-joice.

Refrain 3.

Slowly. ♩ = 100–112

Ma - ry Mag - da - lene has - tened to the tomb, and see - ing

Christ she ques - tioned Him, as though He were the gar - d'ner.

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Troparion 2.

Faster. $\text{♩} = 92-100$

O Christ, great and most ho - ly Pas - cha, O

Wis - dom, Word, and Power of God: grant that we may more

per - fect - ly par - take of Thee in the lev - er -

end - ing day of Thy King - dom.

Refrain 4.

Slowly. ♩ = 100–112

The An - gel cried — to the La - dy, full of grace, “Re-joyce,

O — Pure Vir - gin! A - gain I say, “Re-joyce, thy

Son is risen from His three days in the tomb. With Him - self He has

raised — all the dead. Re-joyce, O — ye you peo - ple!”

Repeat the Heirmos “Shine, shine...” and the Paschal Troparion (3 times)

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Refrains on the 9th Ode

(Complete — Slavic Use)

Refrain 1.

Slowly. ♩ = 100–112

Refrains based on
Russian "Greek" Chant

Soprano
Alto

Tenor
Bass

My soul mag - ni - fies Him Who rose from the

tomb on the third day, Christ the Giver of life!

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Refrain 2.

And the Heirmos "Shine, shine..."

My soul mag - ni - fies Him Who will - ing - ly suf - fered and was

bur - ied, and rose from the tomb on the third day.

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Repeat the Heirmos "Shine, shine..."

Refrain 3.

Christ, the new Pas - cha! The Liv - ing Sac - ri - fice,

The Lamb of God Who takes a - way the sins of the world!

Troparion 1 "How divine! How beloved!..."

Refrain 4.

The An - gel cried to the La - dy, Full of grace. "Re-joyce,

O Pure Vir - gin! A - gain I say, "Re-joyce," thy your

Son is risen from His three days in the tomb. With Him-self He has

raised all the dead. Re-joice, O ye you peo - ple!"

Troparion 2 "O Christ, great and most holy Pascha..."

Refrain 5.

Af - ter Thou didst fall a - sleep, Thy roy - al voice roaring like the

Li - on of Ju - dah, awakened the dead from all ag - es.

Repeat Troparion 1 "How divine! How beloved!..."

Refrain 6.

Ma - ry Mag - da - lene has - tened to the tomb, and see - ing

Christ she ques - tioned Him as though He were the gar - d'ner.

Repeat Troparion 1 "How divine! How beloved!..."

Refrain 7.

An Angel appeared to the wom - en and cried:

"Cease your tears, for Christ is ris - en!"

Repeat Troparion 1 "How divine! How beloved!..."

Refrain 8.

Christ is risen, trampling down death and rais - ing the dead.

Re - joice, all ye you peo - ple!

Repeat Troparion 1 "How divine! How beloved!..."

Refrain 9.

To - day all creation rejoices and makes glad for Christ is

ris - en and hell has been de - spoiled.

Repeat Troparion 2 "O Christ, great and most holy Pascha..."

Refrain 10.

To - day the Master has despoiled hell and raised the pris - on -

ers whom it had held from the ages in harsh cap - tiv - i - ty.

Repeat Troparion 2 "O Christ, great and most holy Pascha..."

Glory to the Father... & Refrain 11.

My soul mag - ni - fies the most of the God-head

in three Per - sons, yet un - di - vid - ed.

Repeat Troparion 2 "O Christ, great and most holy Pascha..."

Now and ever... & Refrain 12.

Re-joyce, O Vir - gin, re-joyce! Re-joyce, O ble-sed one! Re-joyce, O

glo - ri - fied one! Thy Son is risen from His three days in the tomb.

Repeat Troparion 2 "O Christ, great and most holy Pascha..."

*Then repeat Refrain 1, "My soul magnifies" and the Heirmos "Shine, shine..."
After the Heirmos, the Paschal Troparion (3 times).*

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