Kathismata

First Mode

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Τὸν τάφον σου Σωτήρ

he soldiers standing guard at Thy tomb, O my Saviour, became as dead on seeing the lightning-like Angel who preached to the women of Thine arising, O Holy Lord.

Thee we glorify, Who hast abolished corruption;

Thee do we adore, Who from the grave hast arisen and Who alone art our God.
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Lord of Mercy, nailed to the Cross of Thine own will, as mortal Thou wast laid in a tomb, O Life-giver, destroying the reign of death by Thy death, O Omnipotent.

Thou didst smite the gate-keepers of Hades with terror, raising with Thyself them that had died from all ages, since Thou alone art the Friend of man.
Both now and ever, and unto the ages of ages.

We know thee as the Mother of God, who art truly a virgin even after thy child-birth, O Maiden; with longing, we flee in faith to thy goodness and sympathy.

For we sinners have thee as our certain protection, and as our salvation in distress and temptations, thou only all blameless one.
The faithful women came to the tomb before the dawning, and seeing the vision of Angels, they stood in fear and trembling. Like lightning, the grave flashed forth with life; the marvel made the women sore amazed. Thus, they went to the disciples and preached to them the Rising of Christ the Master: Christ, the Almighty, plundered Hades' spoils and raised with Himself all corrupt in death, freeing them from fear of condemnation by the power of the Cross.
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Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

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The Life of all was nailed to the Cross by the transgressors and the Lord immortal was reckoned among the dead in Hades. But rising the third day, Thou didst raise Adam from corruption with Thyself. For this cause, the hosts of Heaven cried unto Thee, O Saviour and Life-bewower: Glory be to Thy sufferings, O Christ. Glory to Thy Resurrection. Glory to Thy descent, O Thou only Friend of man.
Both now and ever, and unto the ages of ages.

Amen.

Maria to septon

Thou who art our Master’s most honorable vessel, O Mary, raise us up who have stumbled and fallen into a deep gulf of sins, tribulations, and dire despair;

For, O Full of Grace, thou ever savest thy servants, as the strong protection and salvation of sinners and unfailing help of all.