

Order of the Divine Liturgy

The Presentation of Our Lord and Savior in the Temple

Commemoration of Gabriel the New Martyr of Constantinople, Jordan the New Martyr, Agathadoros the Martyr of Cappadocia

February 2, 2013

APOLYTIKION

Hail to you, who are full of grace

Hail to you, who are full of grace, O Virgin Theotokos, for from you there has dawned the Sun of Righteousness, Christ, our God, who enlightened those in darkness. And you, righteous elder, shall also rejoice, for in your arms, you receive him, who is the Liberator of our souls, who also grants us resurrection.

KONTAKION *(relating to the Season or Feast)*

Through Your Birth, O Christ

Through Your birth, O Christ our God, You have sanctified the Virgin womb and fittingly, You have blessed the hands of Symeon, and now on this day, You have come bringing salvation to us. Therefore grant to Your commonwealth Your peace in times of war and Your strength to the ones who rule those beloved by You, for You alone love mankind.

EPISTLE

Hebrews 7:7-17

GOSPEL

Luke 2:22-40

MEGALYNARION

Theotokos, as the hope

Theotokos, as the hope of all Christians and their strength, guard, give shelter, and protect all who put their hope in you. In the shadow and letter of the Law, Faithful Believers, to us is revealed that by opening the womb is every male child holy to God. The first-born Son and Word of the Father without beginning or end, the first-born Son of a mother who has known no man, Him do we Magnify.