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**TODAY WE WILL CELEBRATE THE DIVINE LITURGY OF
ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM**

Tone 5 Troparion *(Resurrection)*

Let us, the faithful, praise and worship the Word,
co-eternal with the Father and the Spirit,
born for our salvation from the Virgin;
for He willed to be lifted up on the Cross in the
flesh,
to endure death,
and to raise the dead//
by His glorious Resurrection.

Tone 5 Kontakion *(Resurrection)*

You descended into hell, O my Savior,
shattering its gates as Almighty,
resurrecting the dead as Creator,
and destroying the sting of death.
You have delivered Adam from the curse, O Lover
of Man,//
and we cry to You: "O Lord, save us!"

Tone 5 Prokeimenon

You, O Lord, shall protect us and preserve us
from this generation forever.
(Ps 11/12:7)

*v: Save me, O Lord, for there is no longer any that is
godly. (Ps 11/12:1)*

Epistle – 2 Corinthians 1:21-2:4

Brothers and sisters: It is God Who establishes
us with you in Christ, and has commissioned us;
* He has put His seal upon us and given us His
Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee. * But I
call God to witness against me -- it was to spare
you that I refrained from coming to Corinth. *
Not that we lord it over your faith; we work
with you for your joy, for you stand firm in your
faith. * For I made up my mind not to make you
another painful visit. * For if I cause you
pain, who is there to make me glad but the one
whom I have pained? * And I wrote as I did, so

that when I came I might not suffer pain from
those who should have made me rejoice, for I
felt sure of all of you, that my joy would be the
joy of you all. * For I wrote you out of
much affliction and anguish of heart and with
many tears, not to cause you pain but to let you
know the abundant love that I have for you.

Tone 5

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

*v: I will sing of Your mercies, O Lord, forever;
with my mouth I will proclaim Your truth from
generation to generation. (Ps 88/89:1)*

*v: For You have said: "Mercy will be established
forever; My truth will be prepared in the
heavens." (Ps 88/89:2)*

Gospel – Matthew 22:1-14

And again Jesus spoke to them in parables,
saying, "The kingdom of heaven may be
compared to a king who gave a marriage feast
for his son, and sent his servants to call those
who were invited to the marriage feast; but they
would not come. Again he sent other servants,
saying, 'Tell those who are invited, Behold, I
have made ready my dinner, my oxen and my fat
calves are killed, and everything is ready; come
to the marriage feast.' But they made light of it
and went off, one to his farm, another to his
business, while the rest seized his servants,
treated them shamefully, and killed them. The
king was angry, and he sent his troops and
destroyed those murderers and burned their city.
Then he said to his servants, The wedding is
ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go
therefore to the thoroughfares, and invite to the
marriage feast as many as you find.' And those
servants went out into the streets and gathered all
whom they found, both bad and good; so the
wedding hall was filled with guests." But when
the king came in to look at the guests, he saw
there a man who had no wedding garment; and
he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here
without a wedding garment?' And he was
speechless. Then the king said to the attendants,
'Bind him hand and foot, and cast him into the
outer darkness; there men will weep and gnash
their teeth.' For many are called, but few are
chosen."