*After the Thrice Holy Hymn…*

***Deacon****: Let us attend. Wisdom!*

***Priest****: Peace be unto all!*

**Reader**: **The Prokeimenon in the 4th tone:**

(Tone 4) **O Lord, how manifold are Your works; in wisdom have You made them all.**

*Choir: (Repeats Prokeimenon)*

**Reader**: **Bless the Lord, O my soul! O Lord, my God, You are very great.**

***Choir****: (Repeats Prokeimenon)*

**Reader**: **O Lord, how manifold are Your works…**

***Choir****: (…in wisdom have You made them all.)*

***Deacon****: Wisdom!*

**Reader**: **The reading from the Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Romans.**

***Deacon****: Let us attend.*

**Reader**: Brothers and Sisters, my heart’s desire and prayer to God for Israelis that they may be saved. For I bear them witness that they have a zeal for God, but not according to knowledge. For they being ignorant of God’s righteousness, and seeking to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted to the righteousness of God. 4For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to everyone who believes. For Moses writes about the righteousness which is of the law, “The man who does those things shall live by them.” But the righteousness of faith speaks in this way, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’” (that is, to bring Christ down from above) or, “‘Who will descend into the abyss?’” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? “The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith which we preach): that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

*Priest: Peace be unto you Reader*

**Reader**:  **And to your spirit. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

*Choir: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.*

**Reader*:* Go forth, prosper and reign, for the sake of meekness, righteousness and truth!**

*Choir: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia*

**Reader**: **For You love righteousness, and hate iniquity.**

*Choir: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia*