You descend from on high, O merciful One. You accepted burial for three days to free us from our passions. O Lord, our Resurrection and our Life, glory to you.

We bow before your sacred image, O gracious Lord, and beg forgiveness for our offenses, O Christ our God; for you, of your own good will, ascended the cross in your human nature to deliver from the enemy's bondage those whom you created. Therefore, we gratefully cry
out to you: By your coming to save the world, O Savior, you have filled all with joy.

Cantor

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and for ever. Amen.

Kontakion of the Holy Icons - Tone 8

O Theotokos, the indescribable Word of the Father became describable when he took flesh from you. Our soiled image was restored to its original form, commingled with divine beauty. This is the very salvation we profess, depicting it in word and deed.
Blessed are you and praise-worthy, O Lord, the God of our fathers, and glorious forever is your name.

Verse: For you are just in all that you have done for us.

Alleluia - Tone 4 (Psalm 98:6):

Verse: Moses and Aaron were among his priests; Samuel was among those who called upon his name.
Verse: They called upon the Lord and he answered them.

Instead of “It is truly proper . . .”:

Magnification: (music found on pages 98 / 102)
In you, O Woman Full of Grace, all creation rejoices: the angels in their ranks and the human race. Sanctified Temple and Rational Paradise, Boast of Virgins from whom our God took flesh and became a child while remaining God from before all time. He made your womb a throne, setting it apart, a room more spacious than the heavens. In you, O Woman Full of Grace, all creation rejoices. Glory to you!

Communion Hymn for Sundays (Psalm 148:1):

other melodies may be used

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord from the heavens, praise him in the highest, praise him in the highest. Alleluia! Alleluia!
Re-joice in the Lord, you right-eous ones; praise from the up-right is fit-ting.

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Al-le-lu-ia!