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A NEW AKATHIST FOR SAINT HERMAN OF ALASKA



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Akathist for Saint Herman of Alaska

PRIEST: Blessed is our God always, now and ever, and unto ages of ages.

PEOPLE: Amen.

The Prayer to the Holy Spirit

PRIEST: Glory to You, our God. Glory to You.

O heavenly King, O Comforter, the Spirit of truth, Who are in all places and fill all things, the Treasury of good things and Giver of life: Come, and abide in us, and cleanse us from every stain, and save our souls, O good One.

The Trisagion Prayers

PEOPLE: Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal: have mercy on us. (3x)

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

All-holy Trinity, have mercy on us. Lord, cleanse us from our sins. Master, pardon our iniquities. Holy God, visit and heal our infirmities for Your name's sake.

Lord, have mercy. (3x)

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

PRIEST: For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory: of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto ages of ages.

PEOPLE: Amen.

Lord, have mercy. (12x)

"God is the Lord.." - Psalm 118 (LXX 117)

God is the Lord

Matins Hymn

Tone 2 (Bulgarian)

melody

God is the Lord, Who has shown the light to us!

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

"God is the Lord..." - Psalm 118 (LXX 117)

God is the Lord, Who has shown the light to us! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

- O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good; for His mercy endures forever.

God is the Lord...

- All nations surrounded me; but in the name of the Lord will I destroy them.

God is the Lord...

- I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the Lord.

God is the Lord...

- The stone which the builders refused has become the head cornerstone. This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

God is the Lord...

Troparion of Saint Herman

①
O blessed Father Herman of A - las - ka, North Star of Christ's Ho - ly

②
Church, the light of your holy life and great deeds guides those who fol -

③
low the Or - tho-dox way. Together we lift high the Ho - ly Cross,

you planted firmly in A - mer - i - ca. Let all behold and glo - ri - fy Je -

- sus Christ, singing His Holy Res-ur-rec - tion!

Akathist*(Tone 4, Valaam, except Kontakion 1)*

The first Kontakion may be sung by all. The rest of the Kontakia and the first part of each Iko are then sung by the clergy, each priest taking one Kontakion and one Ikos. All the people sing "Rejoice..." and at the end of each Kontakion all sing "Alleluia" 3x.

Kontakion 1 (Tone 4, Obikhod) →

AN AKATHIST TO ST. HERMAN

KONTAKION I [TONE 4]

O holy Father Herman of Alaska, advocate of the oppressed, and protector of defenseless orphans: cool the heat of sorrow which melts our hearts, wipe away our tears and grant us to know the meaning of consolation. Pray for us your children that with new strength we may glorify God and sing to you: Rejoice, O Father Herman of Alaska, joyful defender of your Church in North America!

IKOS I

The Lord of Hosts chose you, O holy Father Herman, to be His warrior in the far north, fighting your way through the regiments of the unseen enemy and leading us, your fellow soldiers, to our heavenly homeland. Now that Christ has crowned you with the laurels of victory, we offer you these songs of praise:

- 1 {
 - Rejoice, struggler against world rulers of this present darkness!
 - Rejoice, victor over the spiritual hosts of wickedness under heaven!
 - Rejoice, warrior triumphant over the forces of evil!
 - Rejoice, athlete who vanquishes the demonic adversary!
- 2 {
 - Rejoice, valiant pilgrim journeying through this life to life eternal!
 - Rejoice, unerring guide to our homeland in heaven!
- 3 {
 - Rejoice, standard-bearer of the army of Christ!
 - Rejoice, sign of God's great mercy to sinners!
 - Rejoice, O Father Herman of Alaska/joyful defender of your Church in North America!

KONTAKION 2

A flame with love for the souls of the lost, O holy Father Herman, you left Valaam monastery with nine others of the angelic life, traversing all the Russian lands to bring the Gospel to those at the ends of the earth. Zeal for the salvation of America hastened your steps as you travelled and sang to God: Alleluia!
(Alleluia x 3)

IKOS 2

Arriving at Kodiak Island, with your fellow missionaries you built the Church of the Resurrection for the worship of the Saviour of all, and worked in humility in the bakery, caring for the needs of your brothers. Glorifying God for your perseverance and humility, we cry aloud to you:

1 { Rejoice, you whose prayers fill the hungry with food!

Rejoice, you whose words bring us the Bread of Heaven!

Rejoice, lowly Herman, for your lowliness has brought you to the heights!

Rejoice, humble monk, for your humility has exalted you to heaven!

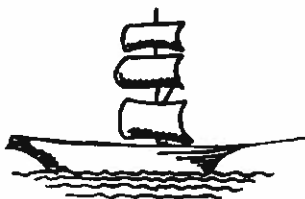
2 { Rejoice, worshipper of the risen Christ, for your prayers sustain us all!

Rejoice, friend of the heavenly saints, for your love brings us home to God!

3 { Rejoice, teacher of piety and fervent prayer!

Rejoice, bringer of the joy of the Resurrection!

Rejoice, O Father Herman of Alaska/joyful defender of your Church in North America!



KONTAKION 3

Ariven from Kodiak by those who would exploit the newly-converted children of God, O holy Father Herman, you retired to Spruce Island, digging a cave for your dwelling with your own hands and establishing your hermitage of New Valaam. United in bonds of love to your abbot Nazarius and his monks in far-away Russia, you nursed the souls of your converts in Alaska, teaching them to sing to God: Alleluia! (Alleluia x 3)

IKOS 3

Working with your spiritual daughter Sophia, and upheld by the divine wisdom, O holy Father Herman, you taught the children at your school, and sustained with love all who came to you, inspiring them with your holy joy. For forty years you lived among them as their advocate and protector, a sign of God's compassion for all men. Trusting in your constant love, we lift up our voices and say:

- 1 {
 - Rejoice, Grandfather to little children!
 - Rejoice, Father to all who seek your aid!
 - Rejoice, gentle embrace of the Good Shepherd!
 - Rejoice, healing touch of the mighty Saviour!
- 2 {
 - Rejoice, Shield to those attacked by the foe!
 - Rejoice, Shelter for those who take refuge in Christ!
- 3 {
 - Rejoice, wisdom of the Father, hidden in the far northern wilderness!
 - Rejoice, light of Christ, shining forth to all the world!
 - Rejoice, O Father Herman of Alaska/joyful defender of your Church in North America!



KONTAKION 4

O blessed Elder of the north, you saved from disaster those who trusted in you, for when they were menaced by a flood, you put an icon of the Theotokos on the beach, declaring that the waters would go no further than that place; and so it came to pass. Marvelling at your faith and your miracles, we glorify God, singing to you: Alleluia!
(Alleluia x 3)

IKOS 4

When a forest fire threatened your beloved children, O holy Father Herman, you dug a trench, and said, "Be at peace; the fire will not cross this line"; and your words were fulfilled. Seeing how God is wonderful in His saints, we bring to you these praises:

- 1 { Rejoice, you whose faith is stronger than raging forest fire!
Rejoice, you whose prayers save us from the eternal fire to come!
Rejoice, bringer of peace to the anguished and anxious!
Rejoice, giver of joy to the hopeless and despairing!
- 2 { Rejoice, our bulwark against disaster and ruin!
Rejoice, our intercessor and friend to those in need!
- 3 { Rejoice, tireless worker for those whose strength is gone!
Rejoice, ceaseless intercessor for those in need!
Rejoice, O Father Herman of Alaska/joyful defender of your Church in North America!



KONTAKION S

Like a desert-dweller of old, O venerable Elder, you subdued your flesh by wearing heavy chains, having only a rough board for your blanket, and none could imitate your deeds. Your hard life brought you the grace of the Spirit, and overflowing with divine grace, you sang to God: Alleluia! (Alleluia x 3)

IKOS S

Through the grace given to you, O holy Father Herman, you made the wilderness a Paradise, for you tamed the wild animals, feeding both the ermine and the bear with your hands. Through you the monastic desert flowers again in the New World, adorning the Church here with divine beauty, and causing us to sing:

- 1 {
 - Rejoice, you who taught us to seek the joys above!
 - Rejoice, you whose prayers now help us toiling here below!
 - Rejoice, you who warred mightily against the demons who assailed you!
 - Rejoice, you whose intercessions rescue us from every attack of the foe!
- 2 {
 - Rejoice, example for monastics striving in solitude!
 - Rejoice, help of all Christians struggling in the world!
- 3 {
 - Rejoice, for by your help we subdue our savage passions!
 - Rejoice, for by your aid we rise up to God!
 - Rejoice, O Father Herman of Alaska/joyful defender of your Church in North America!



KONTAKION 6

Though living in solitude in the forest of Spruce Island, O holy Father Herman, you were never alone, for you had God and His holy angels as your companions. Hidden from the eyes of men, you poured out your soul to the God of heaven in prayers and psalms and freely conversed with the angels, who joined you in your praises, crying: Alleluia!
(Alleluia x 3)

IKOS 6

Like a treasure hidden in a field, O holy Father Herman, you remained hidden in the forest of Spruce Island, singing aloud to the Holy Trinity and turning the unkept woodland into a temple of God. All the trees of the forest sing for joy with you, as from the ends of the earth you cry, "Glory to the Righteous One!" Inspired by your praises, we also cry out:

1 { Rejoice, converser with angels and benefactor of men!

Rejoice, faithful intercessor and devotee of Christ!

Rejoice, God's treasure, hidden in the far north!

Rejoice, citizen of the Kingdom,
dwelling in the heavenly Zion!

2 { Rejoice, joy of all the earth, adornment of the Church!

Rejoice, stronghold of the weak, protection
of all who seek your intercession!

3 { Rejoice, unending song of praise,
rising from the silent snows!

Rejoice, unquenchable flame of faith,
burning in the darkness of this age!

Rejoice, O Father Herman of Alaska/joyful
defender of your Church in North America!



KONTAKION 7

Although those who exploited and hurt your poor American children persecuted you as well, O holy Father Herman, you never abandoned those who took refuge in your love. Rather, you remonstrated with the ones who were glorious on the earth, and ceaselessly cried to the God of heaven. Now that God has heard your prayers and vindicated you, you hear from all your Church the song: Alleluia! (Alleluia x 3)

IKOS 7

Although those who persecuted you deprived you even of paper for keeping Church records, O holy Father Herman, your many accomplishments and great deeds are written in heaven. Those you baptized acclaim you in the Kingdom; the many whose tears you wiped away give thanks to God for you before His throne. Joining with these multitudes in heaven, we on earth offer these praises:

- 1 {
 - Rejoice, gentle shepherd of the lambs of Christ!
 - Rejoice, mighty champion of the children of God!
 - Rejoice, for you spoke truth to the powerful of the land!
 - Rejoice, for your courage gave new hope to the oppressed!
- 2 {
 - Rejoice, comforter of orphans and teacher of the truth!
 - Rejoice, light to those who seek the pathway to heaven!
- 3 {
 - Rejoice, you who endured persecution for the sake of righteousness!
 - Rejoice, you who now have your great reward in the Kingdom of heaven!
 - Rejoice, O Father Herman of Alaska/joyful defender of your Church in North America!



KONTAKION 8

You walked among the worldly-wise as a spiritual man,
O holy Father Herman, for God gave you a mouth and a wisdom which none of them could refute or resist. In the midst of Russian sailors, you spoke the Gospel with such power that all were at a loss before your wisdom, and you taught them to love God above all else. Glorifying God who makes foolish the wisdom of the world, we sing aloud: Alleluia!
(Alleluia x 3)

IKOS 8

God gave you His little ones, the humble of the earth,
O holy Father Herman, that you might teach them His ways and guide them to heaven. You were a blazing light to those in darkness, a patient instructor in righteousness, a rescuing hand for those sinking in error. We who love the Orthodox Way you brought to Alaska turn to you and say:

- 1 { Rejoice, you who love the Law of God!
Rejoice, you who proclaim the Gospel of the Lord!
Rejoice, for your testimony makes wise the simple!
Rejoice, for your teaching restores our souls!
- 2 { Rejoice, delight of little orphans!
Rejoice, boast of aged elders!
- 3 { Rejoice, beacon to those lost in darkness!
Rejoice, refuge for those weary of their sins!
Rejoice, O Father Herman of Alaska/joyful defender of your Church in North America!



KONTAKION 9

The feet which carried you across the Russian continent were beautiful, O holy Father Herman, for you came bearing Good News of Christ's salvation. Over seven thousand received baptism when your Mission came to Alaska, and still you reached out to bring more lost sheep into the Lord's saving fold. This mighty throng now stands before the throne of God, praising His grace and singing: Alleluia! (Alleluia x 3)

IKOS 9

The heavens are telling the glory of God, and we who have witnessed your life also proclaim your wonders, O holy Father Herman. As God's handiwork, you revealed to all His power to sanctify those who seek Him, and like the apostolic fishermen of old, you caught many souls in your Alaskan net. We who have inherited your apostolic mission now cry to you:

- 1 { Rejoice, you whose words gather the scattered children of God into the one fold of Christ!
Rejoice, you who pastor with skilled hands the flock of the Lord!
Rejoice, trumpet of the far north, sounding abroad the glory of the Father!
Rejoice, proclaimer of divine pardon, calling all to thē embrace of Jesus!
- 2 { Rejoice, for you brought to Alaska the eternal and saving Gospel!
Rejoice, for you revealed the universal Kingdom at thē ends of the earth!
- 3 { Rejoice, skilled workman, accurately handling the Word of truth!
Rejoice, powerful evangelist, bringing many to the mercy of God!
Rejoice, O Father Herman of Alaska/joyful defender of your Church in North Amērica!



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KONTAKION IO

When the time for your death drew near, O wonder-working Father Herman, you foreknew that day and hour, and told your disciple Gerasim. For after lighting the candles and reading the Acts of the Apostles, you commanded that the reading be stopped, saying that God had granted you another week of life. Then, after that week, you commanded the candles to be re-lit and the Acts of the Apostles read again, and so you reposed in the Lord as you had said. Seeing your radiant face and smelling the sweet fragrance of your departure, Gerasim sang to God: Alleluia! (Alleluia x 3)

IKOS IO

When giving orders regarding your burial, O holy Father Herman, you commanded that your holy face be covered with your mantle, in your humility not wishing that anyone should see your face. Even in death you preached the Cross of Christ, for you ordered that the Cross be placed in your hands for the mourners to kiss at your funeral. Now that you stand as our intercessor in heaven, your face is always turned to us, and we your suppliants lift high the Cross you proclaimed, saying:

- 1 { Rejoice, prophet and foreseer of the things to come!
Rejoice, messenger and herald of the blessings of God!
Rejoice, sweet fragrance of the Kingdom of Christ!
Rejoice, radiant light of the uncreated Trinity!
- 2 { Rejoice, for you walked in humility to the end!
Rejoice, for you preached the Cross without ceasing!
- 3 { Rejoice, sign of God's blessing in the new world!
Rejoice, promise of Christ's presence among His holy Church!
Rejoice, O Father Herman of Alaska/joyful defender of your Church in North America!

KONTAKION II

At the time of your blessed death, O venerable Father Herman, a light was seen over Spruce Island that reached to heaven, and those who knew your holy life perceived that you had left them. Having illumined us through your teachings and shining example, you illumined us also through your death, lighting up the sky as you ascended to heaven. Glorifying God who has glorified you, we lift up the song: Alleluia!

(Alleluia x 3)

IKOS II

Owonderworker of the north, your holy relics remained incorrupt in the warm chapel for many days where you lay, witnessing to the truth of your Gospel and of your enduring love for us. From your burial place on Spruce Island your relics and your prayers continued to be a source of miracles, and we praise God for your intercession, bringing our songs:

- 1 { Rejoice, you who stand before the throne of God in glory!
- 1 { Rejoice, you who never forsake your people on earth!
- 1 { Rejoice, unfailing physician of our souls and bodies!
- 1 { Rejoice, faithful intercessor of the Orthodox Church!
- 2 { Rejoice, for you remain with those who love you!
- 2 { Rejoice, for you lead us all to heaven above!
- 3 { Rejoice, spiritual haven for all who seek God's mercy!
- 3 { Rejoice, well-spring of holiness for those who love His Presence!
- 3 { Rejoice, O Father Herman of Alaska/joyful defender of your Church in North America!



KONTAKION 12

A few years after your repose, O holy Father Herman, you saved the missionary St. Innocent from a storm at sea. For as he neared Kodiak, his ship was caught in a tempest, and he feared that he would perish in the stormy waters, just as his predecessor Bishop Joasaph did before him. Looking toward Spruce Island, he invoked your prayers, asking that the wind might change, and it did within a quarter of an hour. We who are caught in the storms of life also call out to you, crying: Alleluia!

(Alleluia x 3)

IKOS 12

We who follow the Orthodox Way you planted in North America praise God for the gift of your holy relics and your ceaseless prayer. Having transferred your sacred body to Kodiak, the Church now celebrates your memory with joy and splendour, exulting that God still works wonders through you. Grateful to the Lord for your presence among us, we offer you these hymns:

- 1 { Rejoice, confirmation of the truth of God!
Rejoice, image of the beauty of holiness!
Rejoice, for you laid the foundation of Orthodoxy in the new world!
Rejoice, for you challenge and inspire us to continue your holy work!
- 2 { Rejoice, boast and crown of all Orthodox Christians!
Rejoice, first saint of our land!
- 3 { Rejoice, abiding fragrance of holiness!
Rejoice, never-fading light of truth!
Rejoice, O Father Herman of Alaska / joyful defender of your Church in North America!

KONTAKION 13

O holy Father Herman of Alaska, joy of our hearts and blessing of God to us, accept these humble prayers and pray for us before the throne of God. Grant that through your intercessions we also might stand before His throne, and with you exult in endless joy before Him, singing forever and ever: Alleluia! (Alleluia x 3)

(Thrice; then again:)

IKOS I

The Lord of Hosts chose you, O holy Father Herman, to be His warrior in the far north, fighting your way through the regiments of the unseen enemy and leading us, your fellow soldiers, to our heavenly homeland. Now that Christ has crowned you with the laurels of victory, we offer you these songs of praise:

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ST. HERMAN

OF ALASKA



And again:

KONTAKION I

O holy Father Herman of Alaska, advocate of the oppressed, and protector of defenseless orphans: cool the heat of sorrow which melts our hearts, wipe away our tears and grant us to know the meaning of consolation. Pray for us your children that with new strength we may glorify God and sing to you: Rejoice, O Father Herman of Alaska, joyful defender of your Church in North America! ✠

The Litany of Fervent Supplication

DEACON: Have mercy on us, O God, according to Your great mercy, hear us we pray, and have mercy.

PEOPLE: Lord, have mercy. (3x)

DEACON: Again we pray for all pious and Orthodox Christians; for our father, (*metropolitan, archbishop, or bishop*) *N.*; for our brethren: the priests, deacons, and monastics and for all our brotherhood in Christ.¹

PEOPLE: Lord, have mercy. (3x)

DEACON: Again we pray for the blessed and ever-memorable founders of this holy church (*and for the servants of God. NN.*); and for all our fathers and brethren, the Orthodox departed this life before us, who here and in all the world lie asleep in the Lord.

PEOPLE: Lord, have mercy. (3x)

DEACON: Again we pray for mercy, life, peace, health, salvation, and visitation, and for pardon and forgiveness of sins for (*the servants of God NN., and*) all Orthodox Christians of true worship, who live and dwell in this community.

PEOPLE: Lord, have mercy. (3x)

DEACON: Again we pray for those who bear fruit and do good works in this holy and all-venerable temple; for those who serve and those who sing; and for all the people here present, who await Your great and rich mercy.

PEOPLE: Lord, have mercy. (3x)

PRIEST: Hear us, O God our Savior, the hope of all the ends of the earth, and of those who are far off upon the sea; and show mercy, show mercy, O Master, upon us sinners, and be merciful unto us.

For You are a merciful God and love mankind, and unto You we ascribe glory: to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto ages of ages.

PEOPLE: Amen.

¹ This petition usually appears as three separate petitions, but in common practice these are often combined into one, as shown here

Prayer to Saint Herman

DEACON: *(On bended knee)* let us pray to our venerable Father Herman of Alaska.

Tone 6
CANTOR: O venerable Father Herman, // pray to God for us.

All the people and clergy kneel during the following prayer.

Priest:

O most wondrous, favorite of God, our blessed Father Herman, As a good laborer you did your great spiritual work in a harsh climate in this land. In the little things you were faithful in your service to God; as the Lord said: "You have been faithful over a little, I will set you over much." (Mt.25:24). And now, when this word has been fulfilled for you, The Lord has set you over our whole Church, as her heavenly protector. We all call to you in fervent prayer: Pray for our Holy Church.

May the Lord keep her pure in Orthodoxy;

May He reveal her as an adornment of our land.

May He protect her from all the dark powers of the enemy.

May He drive out all adversaries.

May He grant us purity of faith and beauty of soul.

Grant us all the spirit of peace and love,
the spirit of humility and meekness.

Drive out the sin of pride.

Save us from self praise.

Be our guard from false teachings.

Give healing to the sick; to the sorrowful be a comfort.

To those who hunger for spiritual truth, give the Heavenly Food;

That we may attain our true desire,

Receiving the good reward at the Final Judgment.

With all the saints we will praise with song:

The Life-creating Trinity,

The Ineffable Father,

The True and Only-Begotten Son,

The Comforter, Holy Spirit,

Forever, Amen.

If kneeling, all the people stand.

The Magnification Hymn

Clergy: We bless you, bless you.



We bless you, bless you, O bless-ed Fa-ther Her-man.



We hon - or your ho - ly mem - o - ry, Instructor of



the mo-nas - tics and con-ver - ser with an - - - gels.

People: We bless you, bless you.
O blessed Father Herman,
We honor your holy memory.
Instructor of the monastics,
And converser with Angels.

Cantor: *God has blessed you forever and ever.*

People: We bless you...

Cantor: *Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,
Now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Glory to You, O Lord. 3x*

Clergy: We bless you...

The Blessing and Dismissal²

DEACON: Wisdom.

PRIEST: Most-holy Theotokos, save us.

PEOPLE: More honorable than the cherubim, and more glorious beyond compare than the seraphim, who without corruption gave birth to God the Word, and are truly Theotokos, we magnify you.

PRIEST: Glory to You, O Christ, our God and our hope, glory to You.

PEOPLE: Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Lord, have mercy. (3x)

Father, bless.

PRIEST: May Christ our true God, through the intercessions of His all-pure and all-blameless, holy Mother, at the supplication of (*N., patron of the church*), of the *Venerable Herman, of Alaska, wonder-worker of America*, whose memory we celebrate, and of all the saints, have mercy on us and save us, for He is good and loves mankind. Through the prayers of our holy fathers, Lord Jesus Christ, our God, have mercy on us and save us.

PEOPLE: Amen.

² If a lay person leads, in place of the Dismissal say only: O Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, through the intercessions of Your most-pure Mother, of Saint (*of the day*), and of all the saints, have mercy on us and save us, for You are a merciful God and love mankind.

O Blessed Father Herman

St. Herman of Alaska

Troparion from Akathist

Valaamo Monastery Chant
arr. by St. John the Baptist Girls' Octet

O blessed Father Herman of A - las - ka, North Star of Christ's Ho - ly
Church, the light of your holy life and great deeds guides those who fol -
low the Or - tho-dox way. Together we lift high the Ho - ly Cross,
you planted firmly in A - mer - i - ca. Let all behold and glo - ri - ty Je -
- sus Christ, singing His Holy Res-ur-rec - tion!

Recessionals

Kontakion – Herman of Alaska: Tone 3 (Obikhod)

The e - ter - nal Light of Christ our Sa - vior
2 guided you, O blessed Father Her - - - man,
3 on your evangelical jour - ney to A - mer - i - ca, pro -
5 claim - ing the Gos - pel of peace. Now you stand before the
7 Throne of Glo - ry, in - ter - cede for your land and its peo - ple,
9 peace for the world, and sal - va - tion for our souls.

Troparion – Herman of Alaska: Tone 7 (Byzantine)

O joy - ful North Star of the Church of Christ, guiding all men to the
3 heav - en - ly king - dom, teacher and A - pos - tle of the true Faith,
5 intercessor and de - fen - der of the op - pressed,
7 a - dornment of the Orthodox Church in A - mer - i - ca,
9 bless - ed Father Herman of A - las - ka, pray to our Lord
11 Je - sus Christ for the sal - va - tion of our souls.

Troparion – Herman of Alaska (Byzantine)

O bless-ed Fa-ther Her-man of A - la - ska, North-star of
Christ's ho - ly Church; the light of your ho - ly life and
great deeds guides those who fol - low the Or - tho - dox way. To -
geth - er we lift high the ho - ly Cross you plant - ed
firm-ly in A - mer-i - ca. Let all be - hold and glo - ri -
fy Je - sus Christ, sing-ing His ho - ly Res - ur -
rec - - - tion.

