Deacon: Let us attend! Priest: Peace be with you all! **Reader:** And with your spirit! Wisdom! Deacon: Prokeimenon in the 2nd Tone: **Reader:** The Lord is my strength and my song. He has become my salvation. Choir: The Lord is my strength and my song. He has become my salvation. The Lord has chastened my sorely, but He has not given me over to death. Reader Choir: The Lord is my strength and my song. He has become my salvation. Reader: The Lord is my strength and my song! He has become my salvation! Choir: Deacon: Wisdom! The Reading from the Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the ROMANS. **Reader:** Deacon: Let us attend!

rethren, therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom also we have access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God. And not only that, but we also glory in tribulations, knowing that tribulation produces perseverance; and perseverance, character; and character, hope. Now hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who was given to us. For when we were still without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly. For scarcely for a righteous man will one die; yet perhaps for a good man someone would even dare to die. But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him. For if when we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life.+

Priest: Peace be unto you, reader.

Reader: And to your spirit. Alleluia in the 2nd Tone! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Choir: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Reader: The Lord answer you in the day of trouble! The Name of the God of Jacob protect you!

Choir: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Reader: Save the king, O Lord, and hear us on the day we call!

Choir: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!