

**Divine Liturgy, December 27, 2014**  
**Saturday after the Nativity**  
**The Holy Apostle, First Martyr, and Archdeacon Stephen**

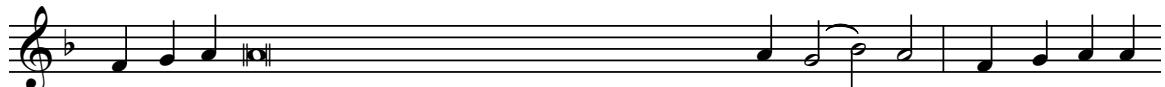
**First Antiphon** (Psalm 110:1; 9:2):



I shall thank you, O Lord, with all my heart; I shall de-clare all your won-drous deeds.



Through the pray'rs of the The - o - to - kos, O Sav - ior, save us.



Glo-ry to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly Spir - it, now and ev - er



and for - ev - er. A - men. Through the pray'rs of the The - o - to - kos,



O Sav - ior, save us.

**Second Antiphon** (Psalm 111:1):



Hap - py the man who fears the Lord and great - ly de - lights in his com-mands.



O Son of God, born of the Vir - gin, save us who sing to you:



Al - le - lu - - - ia!

## Hymn of the Incarnation 2

Resurrection Tone 7

Glo - ry to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir - it,  
now and ev - er and for-ev - er. A - men. O on - ly - begotten Son and  
Word of God, who be - ing im-mor - tal, deigned for our sal - va - tion  
to be-come in - car - nate of the ho - ly Theotokos and ever-Vir - gin Mar - y,  
and be-came man with-out change; you were al - so crucified, O Christ our God,  
and by death have tram - pled Death, be - ing One of the Ho - ly Trin - i - ty,  
glo - rified with the Father and the Ho - ly Spir - it, save us.

**Post-festive Third Antiphon (Psalm 94:1)**

Come, let us sing joyful-ly to the Lord; let us ac - claim God our Sav - ior!

O Son of God, born of the Vir - gin, save us who sing to you:

Al - le - lu - - - ia!

**Post-festive Entrance Hymn (Psalm 94:6)**

Come, let us wor - ship and bow be - fore Christ. O Son of God,

born of the Vir-gin, save us who sing to you: Al - le - lu - - ia!

**Troparion of the Nativity - Tone 4:**

Your birth, O Christ our God, has shed up - on the world the light of

knowl - edge; for through it, those who wor-shipped the stars have learned from

a star to worship you, the Sun of Jus - tice, and to know you, the Dawn

from on High. Glo - ry to you, O Lord!

**Troparion of Stephen - Tone 4**

First - mar - tyr and a - pos - tle of Christ, you fought the good fight.

You con - vict - ed the tyrants of their wick - ed - ness. When you were killed

by stoning at the hands of sin - ners, you re - ceived a crown from God's right hand

while you cried out: Lord, do not hold this sin a - gainst them.

*Cantor*

Glo - ry to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir - it,

now and ev - er and for - ev - er. A - - - men.

**Kontakion - Tone 3**

Yes - ter - day, in hu - man flesh the Mas - ter came to us; to - day, from

the flesh, his ser - vant de - parts. Yes - ter - day, the King was born in the flesh;  
 to - day, his ser - vant is killed by ston - - ing. Thus the ho - ly  
 Ste - phen, the first mar - tyr, is brought to per - fec - tion.

**Prokeimenon of the Saturday after the Nativity - Tone 4 (Psalm 44: 18,11)**

I shall make your name re - mem - bered in all gen-er - a - tions.

**Verse:** Listen, O daughter, and see and incline your ear.

**And then immediately:**

**Prokeimenon of the holy apostle Stephen - Tone 8 (Psalm 18:5,2):**

Through all the earth their voice re - sounds; their mes - sage reach - es  
 to the ends of the world.

**Alleluia of the Saturday after the Nativity - Tone 8 (Psalm 131:8,11)**

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - - - ia! Al - - - le - lu - - ia!

**Verse:** Go up, Lord, to your rest, you and your holy ark.

**Verse:** The Lord swore a true oath to David; he will not go back on his word.

**And then immediately:**

**Alleluia of the holy apostle Stephen - Tone I (Psalm 88:6,8):**

Al - le - lu - ia!  
Al - le - lu - ia!

**Verse:** The heavens declare your wonders, O Lord, and your truth in the assembly of the holy.

[**Verse:** God is glorified in the council of the holy, great and awesome above all who surround him.]

**Cherubic Hymn**

*melody: Divnaja novina*

Let us, who mys - tic - ly re - pre - sent the cher - u - bim, and sing the thrice -  
ho - ly hymn, thrice - ho - ly hymn to the life - cre - a - ting, life - cre - a - ting Trin - i - ty,  
now set a - side all earth - ly cares, all earth - ly cares.

*After the commemorations:*

A - men. That we may re - ceive, may re - ceive the King of All,  
in - vis - i - bly es - cort - ed by an - gel - ic hosts. Al - le - lu - ia!  
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

### Anamnesis Acclamation:

We praise you, we bless you, we thank you, O Lord, and we pray to you,  
our God, pray to you, our God.

*Instead of "It is truly proper..."*

### Magnification

Ex - tol, ex - tol, O my soul, O my soul,  
Christ the King born in a cave, Christ the King, born in a cave.

### Irmos

*Tone 1 samopodoben*

I see a strange and mar - vel - ous mys - te - ry: heav - en is a cave;  
the cherubic throne, a vir - gin; the man - ger has be - come the place  
in which Christ the in - comprehen - si - ble God lies down. Let us  
praise him and ex - tol him.

**Communion Hymn for the Saturday after the Nativity** (Psalm 115:4)

Musical notation for the Communion Hymn. The music is in G major, common time. The lyrics are:

I shall take the chal - ice of sal - va - tion and call up - on the name  
*Refrain*  
of the Lord, the name of the Lord. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!  
Al - le - lu - ia!

*And for the Apostle:*

**Communion Hymn** (Psalm 18:5):

Musical notation for the Communion Hymn (Psalm 18:5). The music is in G major, common time. The lyrics are:

Through all the earth their voice re-sounds; their mes-sage reach - es  
*Refrain*  
to the ends of the world. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!  
Al - le - lu - ia!