

*Feast of the Theophany of
Our Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ*



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STAND

The members of the household who desired to have their home blessed during the Feast of the Theophany gather together around a table with a lighted candle, holy water, and a cross. Other items to be blessed may also be placed on the table.

Celebrant: Blessed is our God, always, now and ever and forever.



Celebrant: Let us pray to the Lord.



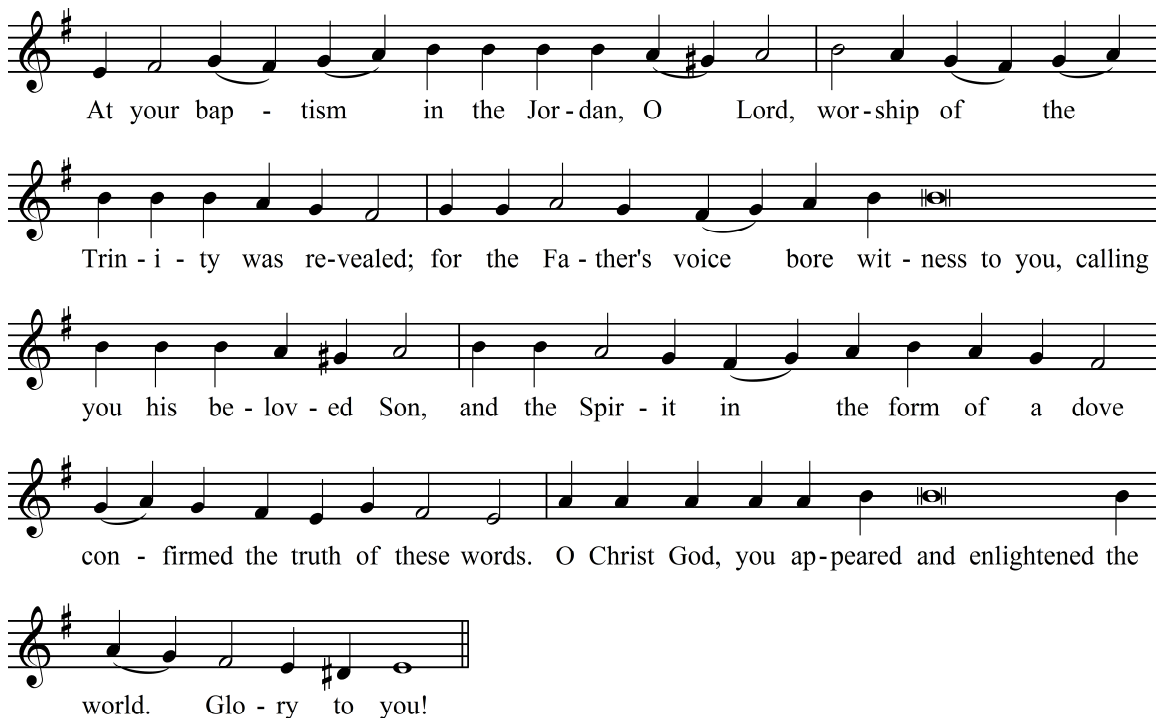
Celebrant: God, our Savior, you deigned to enter under the roof of Zaccheus, for the salvation of all who were in the house. Lord, now keep safe from all harm those who have desired to dwell here, and who, together with us, unworthy though we may be, offer you prayers and supplications. + Bless this their dwelling and preserve their life free from all evil.

For to you are due all glory, honor and worship, with your eternal Father and your all-holy, good and life-creating Spirit, now and ever and forever.



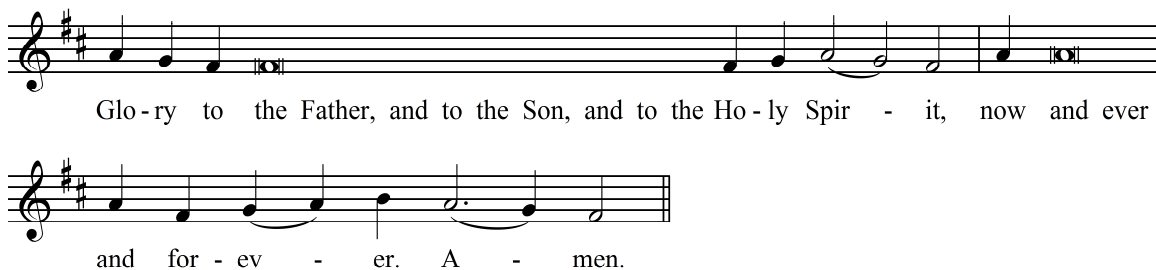
The celebrant, taking some of the blessed water and, holding the hand cross in his left hand and a cluster of basil in his right hand (or some sprinkling instrument), blesses those present and all of the rooms of the home with the Jordan water while the faithful sing the Troparion (and Kontakion, if needed) of the Feast.

Troparion of Theophany - *Tone 1*



At your bap - tism in the Jor - dan, O Lord, wor - ship of the
Trin - i - ty was re - vealed; for the Fa - ther's voice bore wit - ness to you, calling
you his be - lov - ed Son, and the Spir - it in the form of a dove
con - firmed the truth of these words. O Christ God, you ap - peared and enlightened the
world. Glo - ry to you!

Cantor



Glo - ry to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir - it, now and ever
and for - ev - er. A - men.

Kontakion of Theophany - *Tone 4*



You have re - vealed your - self to the world to - day; and your light, O Lord,

has set its seal on us. We rec - ognize you and ex - claim to you:

You have come and revealed your-self, O Un - ap - proach - a - ble Light.

DISMISSAL

Celebrant: May Christ our true God, who for our salvation deigned to be baptized by John in the Jordan, have mercy on us and save us through the prayers of his most pure Mother; and through the prayers of all the saints; for Christ is good and loves us all.

Response:

A - - - - - men.

POLYCHRONION

Celebrant: To *(Name/s of those living in the home)*, grant, O Lord, many years.

Response:

God grant him her ma - ny years. God grant him her ma - ny years.
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God grant him her ma - ny bles - sed years.
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