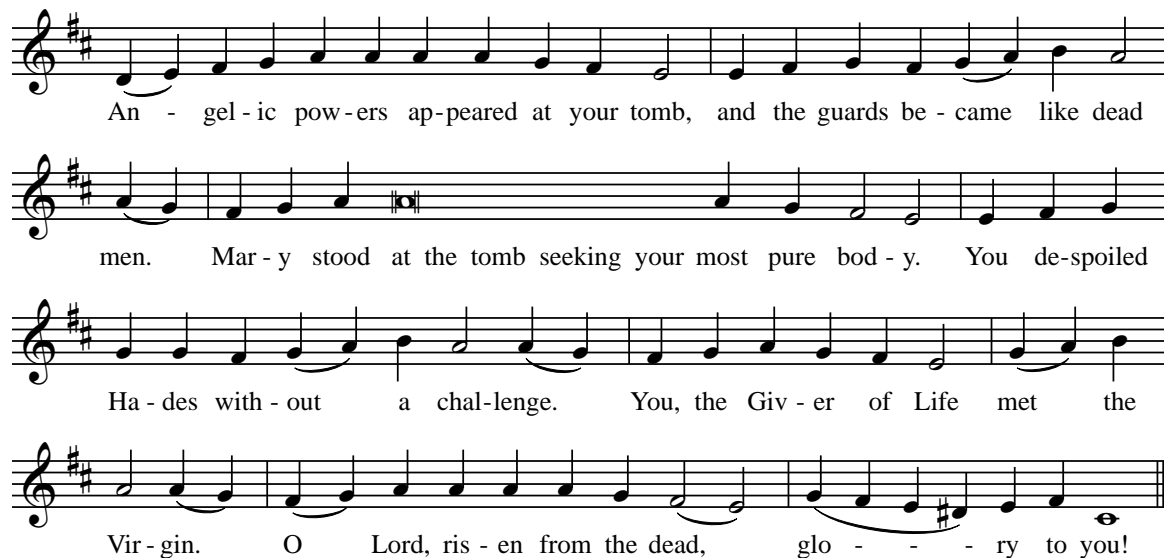


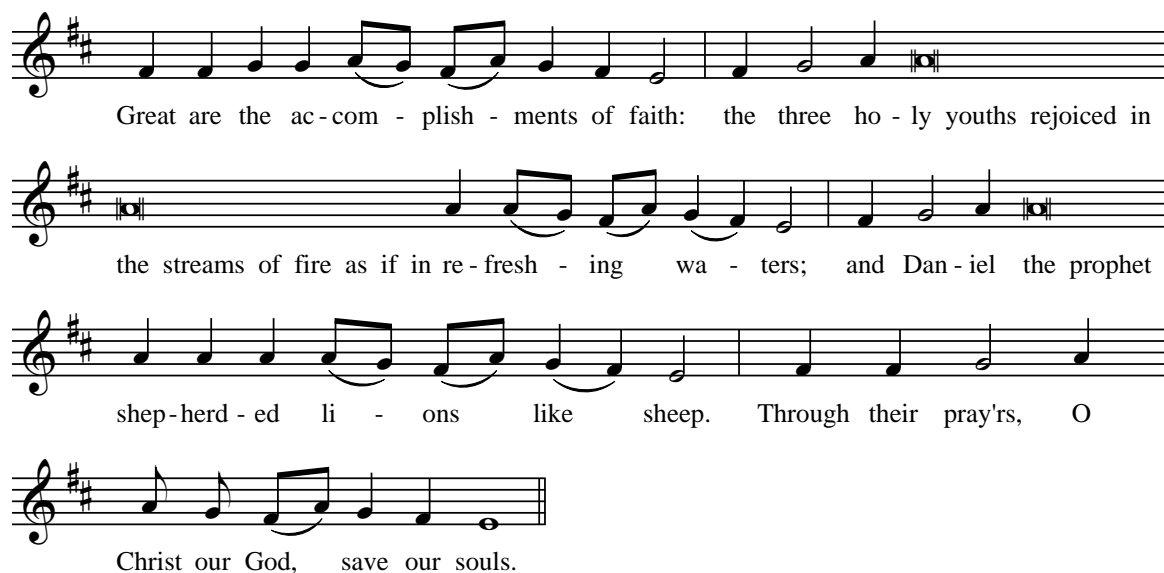
Divine Liturgy, December 18, 2016
SUNDAY BEFORE THE NATIVITY
Sunday of the Ancestors

Troparion of the Resurrection - *Tone 6*



An - gel - ic pow - ers ap - peared at your tomb, and the guards be - came like dead
men. Mar - y stood at the tomb seeking your most pure bod - y. You de - spoiled
Ha - des with - out a chal - lenge. You, the Giv - er of Life met the
Vir - gin. O Lord, ris - en from the dead, glo - - - ry to you!

Troparion of the Ancestors - *Tone 2*



Great are the ac - com - plish - ments of faith: the three ho - ly youths rejoiced in
the streams of fire as if in re - fresh - ing wa - ters; and Dan - iel the prophet
shep - herd - ed li - ons like sheep. Through their pray'rs, O
Christ our God, save our souls.

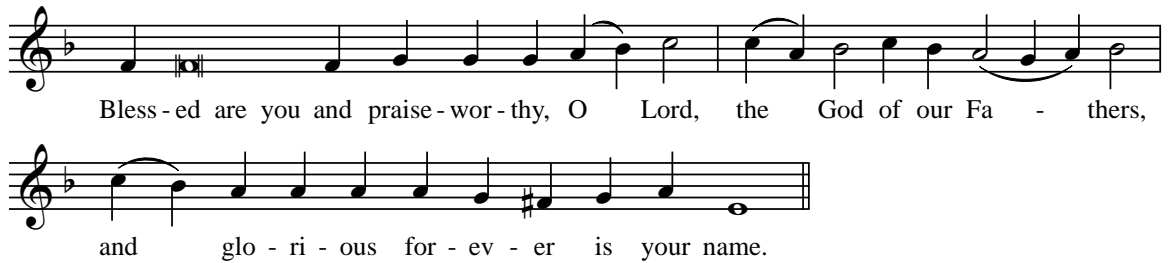
Cantor

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.

Kontakion of the Ancestors - Tone 6

You did not wor - ship a man-made im-age, O thrice - bless'd youths. You
armed yourselves with uncreat-ed di - vin - i - ty. You were glo - ri - fied in the
trial by fire. With - stand - ing the flames, you stood and called out:
Has - ten, O compassionate God, and hurry to help us in your mer - cy.
For you can do what-ev - er you will.

Prokeimenon of the Ancestors - Tone 4 (Daniel 3:26,27):



Bless-ed are you and praise-wor-thy, O Lord, the God of our Fa - thers,
and glo - ri - ous for - ev - er is your name.

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

Alleluia of the Ancestors - Tone 4 (Psalm 43:2,8):



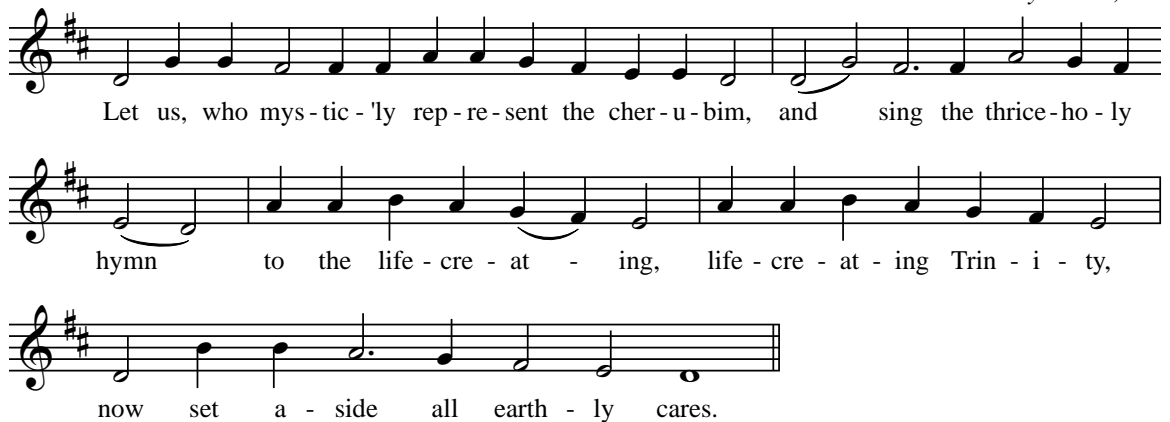
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - - - ia!

Verse: O God, we have heard with our own ears;
our fathers have told us the deed you did in their days.

Verse: You saved us from those who oppressed us; and those who hated us you put to shame.

Cherubic Hymn

Melody: O kto, kto



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

After the commemorations:



A - men. That we 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, thank you, O



Lord, and we pray to you, our God, and we pray to you, our God,



and we pray to you, our God.

Communion Hymn for Sunday (Psalm 148:1):




Praise the Lord from the heav-ens, praise him in the high-est.

Refrain



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

For the Ancestors (Psalm 32:1):



Re-joice in the Lord, you right-eous ones; praise from the up-right is fit-ting.

Refrain



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