

**Divine Liturgy, September 10, 2017**  
**SUNDAY BEFORE THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS**  
**Postfestive Day of the Nativity of the Theotokos**

un-ceas-ing - ly ex - tol you.

**Communion Hymn for Sunday (Psalm 148:1):**

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Praise the Lord, praise the Lord from the heav - ens, praise him  
*Refrain*  
 in the high-est, praise him in the high-est. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Al - le - lu - ia!

*And for the Nativity of the Theotokos*

**Communion Hymn (Psalm 115:4):**

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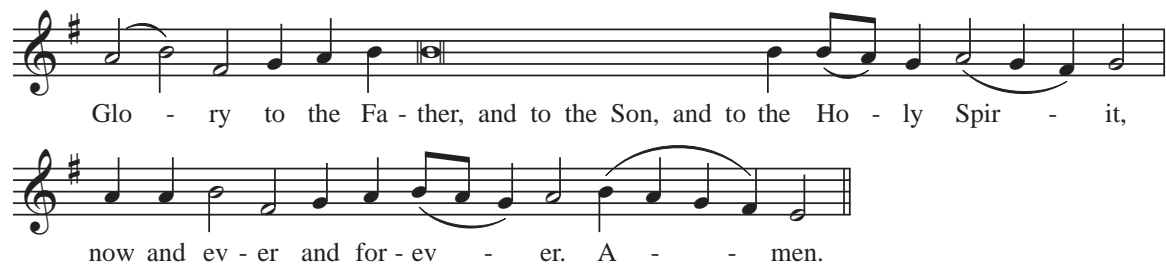
I shall take the chal - ice, the chal-ice of sal - va - tion and call up - on the  
 name of the Lord, and call up - on the name of the Lord.  
*Refrain*  
 Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

**Troparion of the Resurrection - Tone 5**

O faith-ful, let us praise and a - dore the Word e - ter - nal with the Fa - ther  
 and the Spir - it, and born of the Vir - gin for our sal - va - tion.  
 For he chose to as - cend the cross in the flesh and to suf - fer death, and to  
 raise the dead by his glo - ri - ous res - ur - rec - - - tion.

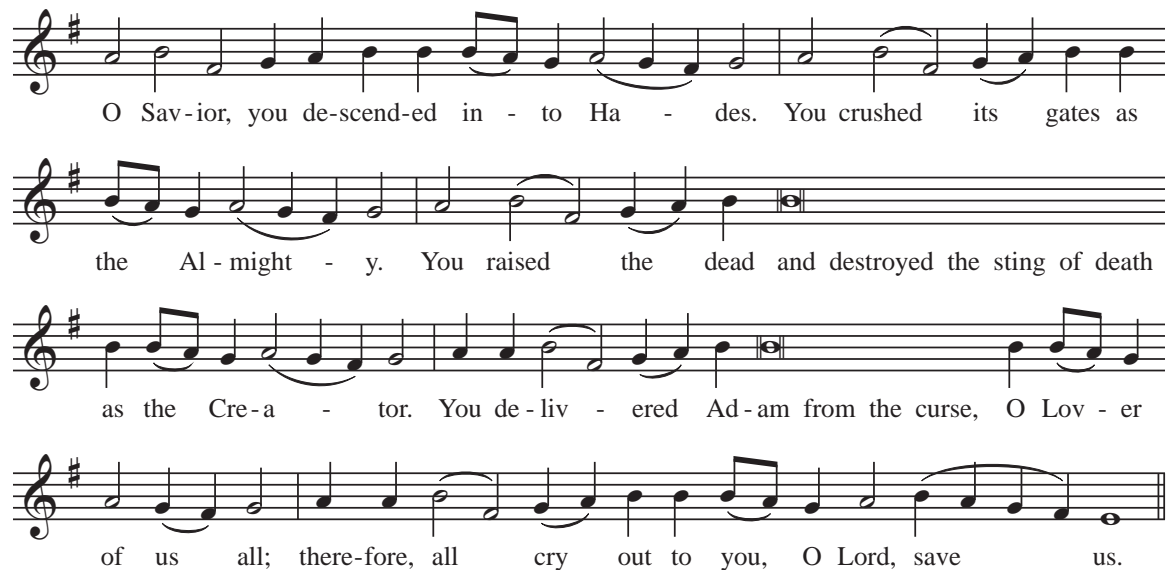
**Troparion of the Nativity of the Theotokos - Tone 4**

Your birth, O Vir - gin The - o - to - kos, her - ald - ed joy to the u - ni - verse;  
 for from you arose the Sun of Jus - tice, Christ our God. Re - mov - ing the curse, he  
 gave the bles - sing, and by de - stroy - ing Death, he grant - ed us e - ter - nal life.




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 of the Resurrection - Tone 5**



O Sav - ior, you de - scend - ed in - to Ha - des. You crushed its gates as  
the Al - might - y. You raised the dead and destroyed the sting of death  
as the Cre - a - tor. You de - liv - ered Ad - am from the curse, O Lov - er  
of us all; there - fore, all cry out to you, O Lord, save us.

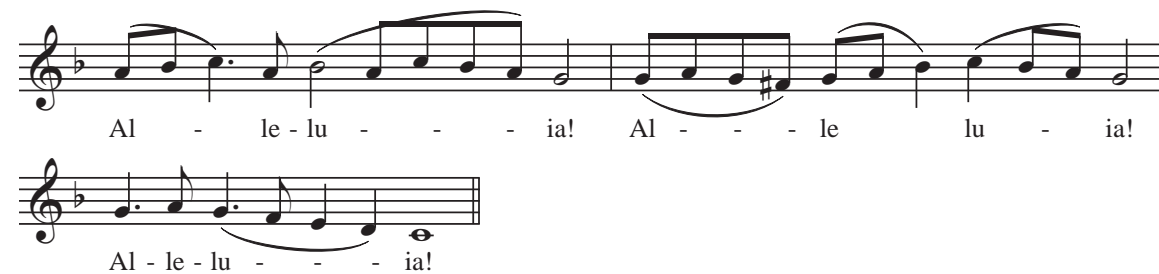
**Prokeimenon of the Sunday before the Exaltation of the Cross - Tone 6 (Psalm 27:9,1):**



Save your peo - ple, O Lord, and bless your in - her - i - tance,  
and bless your in - her - i - tance.

*Verse:* To you, O Lord, I cry out: My God, be not silent to me.

**Alleluia of the Sunday before the Exaltation of the Cross - Tone 1 (Psalm 88:20-22):**



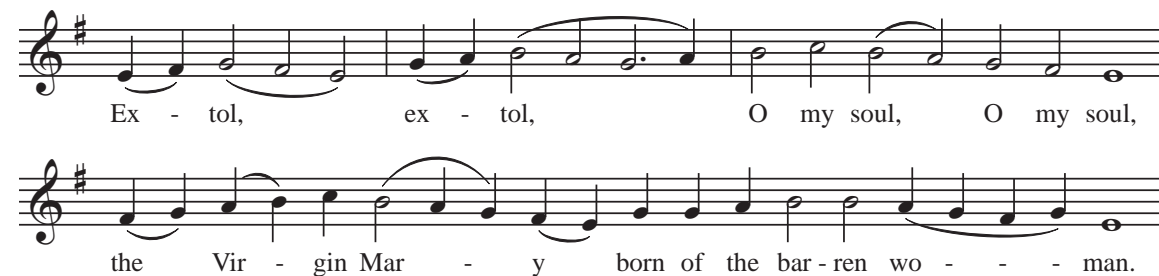
Al - le - lu - - - ia! Al - - - le lu - ia!  
Al - le - lu - - - ia!

*Verse:* I have exalted one chosen from my people and with my holy oil I have anointed him.

*Verse:* My hand shall protect him and my arm shall make him strong.

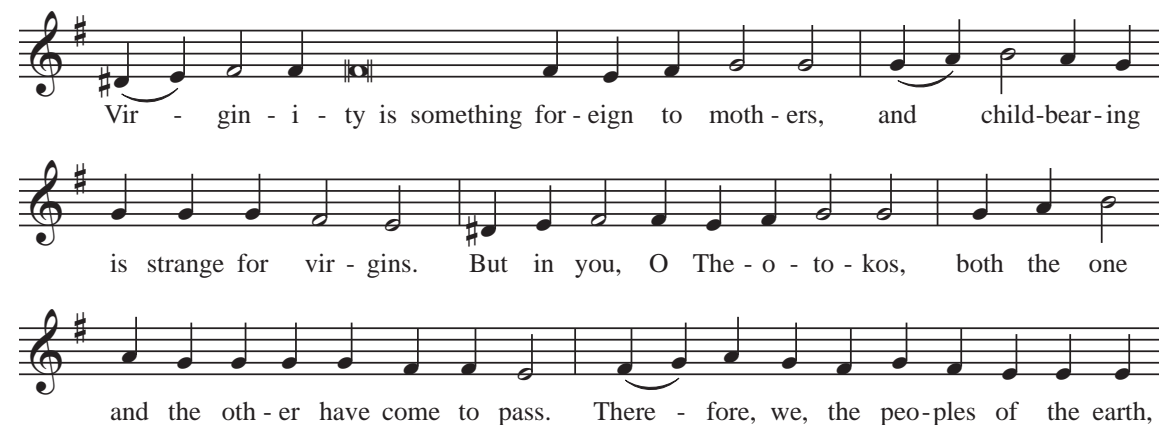
*Instead of "It is truly proper . . ."*

**Magnification:**



Ex - tol, ex - tol, O my soul, O my soul,  
the Vir - gin Mar - y born of the bar - ren wo - - - man.

**Irmos - Tone 6, simple setting**



Vir - gin - i - ty is something for - eign to moth - ers, and child - bear - ing  
is strange for vir - gins. But in you, O The - o - to - kos, both the one  
and the oth - er have come to pass. There - fore, we, the peo - ples of the earth,