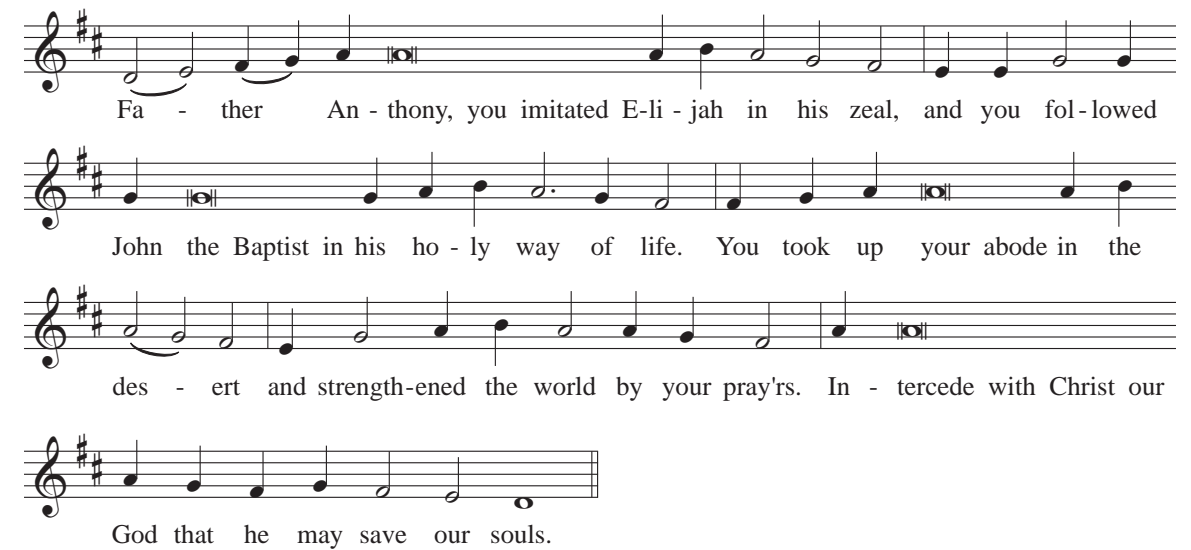


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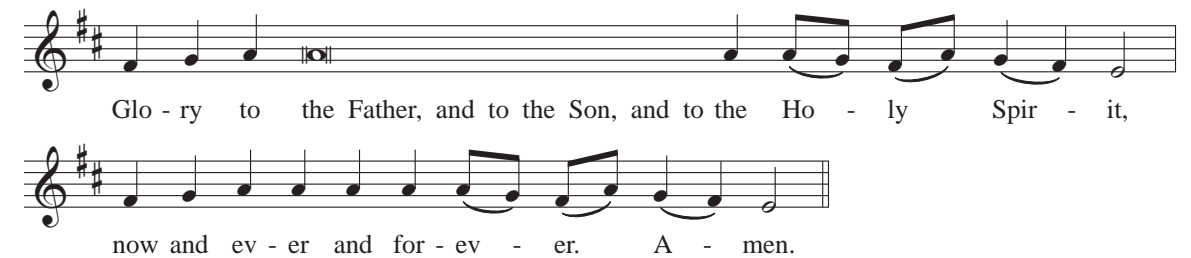
Our venerable father Anthony the Great, who, bereaved by his parents' death, accepted the evangelical commands, distributed all his goods to the poor and retired in solitude to the Thebaid in Egypt. He began to lead an ascetic life and diligently worked to strengthen the Church, sustaining confessors of the faith during the persecution of the Emperor Diocletian. He supported St. Athanasius against the Arians. He had many disciples, and is thus considered the father of monks. (356)

Troparion - Tone 4:



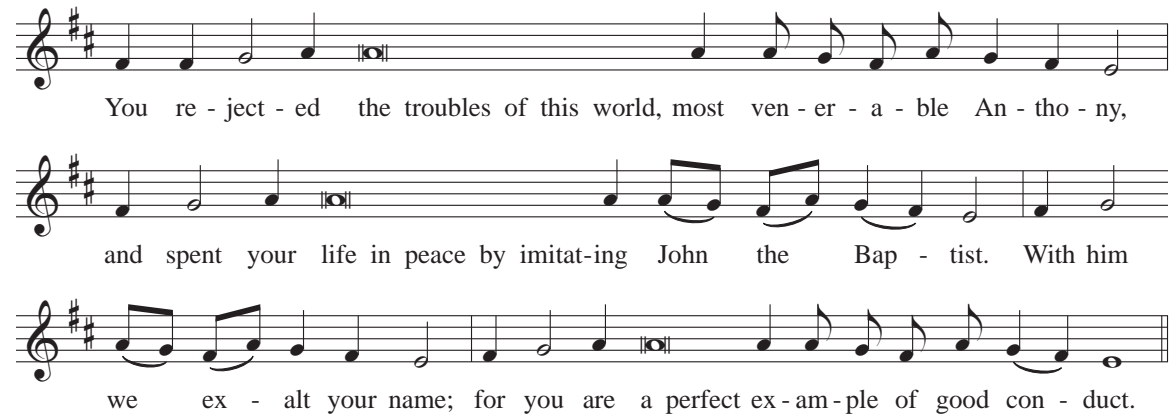
Fa - ther An - thony, you imitated E - li - jah in his zeal, and you fol - lowed
John the Baptist in his ho - ly way of life. You took up your abode in the
des - ert and strength - ened the world by your pray'rs. In - tercede with Christ our
God that he may save our souls.

Cantor



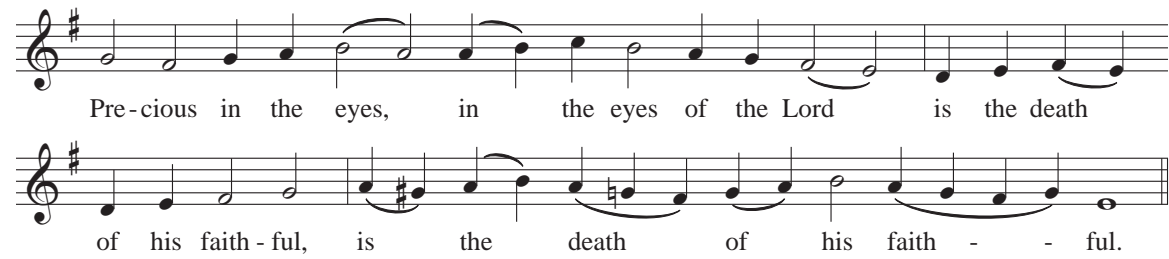
Glo - ry to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir - it,
now and ev - er and for - ev - er. A - men.

Kontakion - Tone 2:



You re - ject - ed the troubles of this world, most ven - er - a - ble An - tho - ny,
and spent your life in peace by imitat-ing John the Bap - tist. With him
we ex - alt your name; for you are a perfect ex - am - ple of good con - duct.

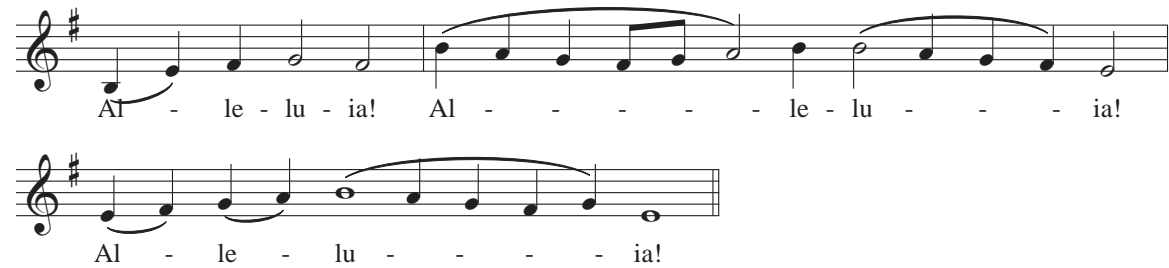
Prokeimenon - Tone 7 (Psalm 115:6,3):



Pre-cious in the eyes, in the eyes of the Lord is the death
of his faith - ful, is the death of his faith - - ful.

Verse: What can I return to the Lord for all he has given me?

Alleluia - Tone 6 (Psalm 111:1,2):



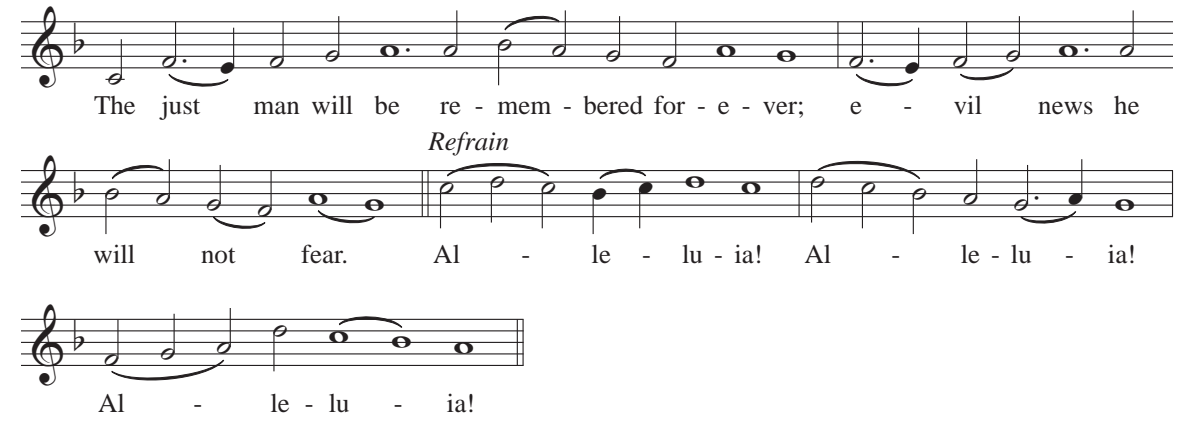
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - - - - le - lu - - - ia!
Al - le - lu - - - - ia!

Verse: Happy the man who fears the Lord and greatly delights in his commands.

Verse: His posterity will be mighty upon the earth.

Communion Hymn (Psalm 111:6,7):

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The just man will be re - mem - bered for - e - ver; e - vil news he
Refrain
will not fear. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia!