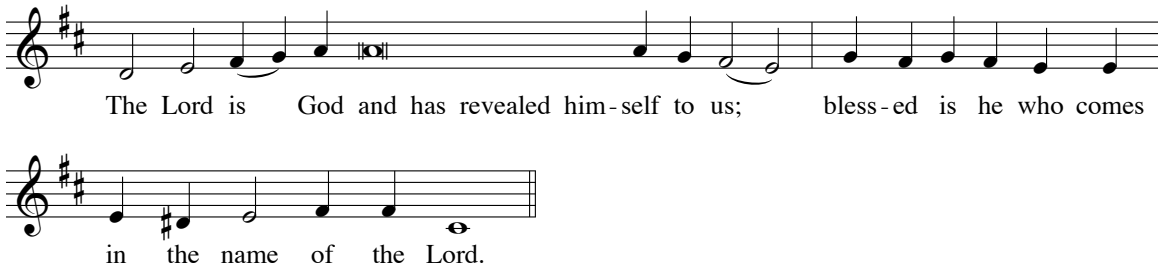


Tone 6

The Lord is God



The Lord is God and has revealed him-self to us; bless-ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord.

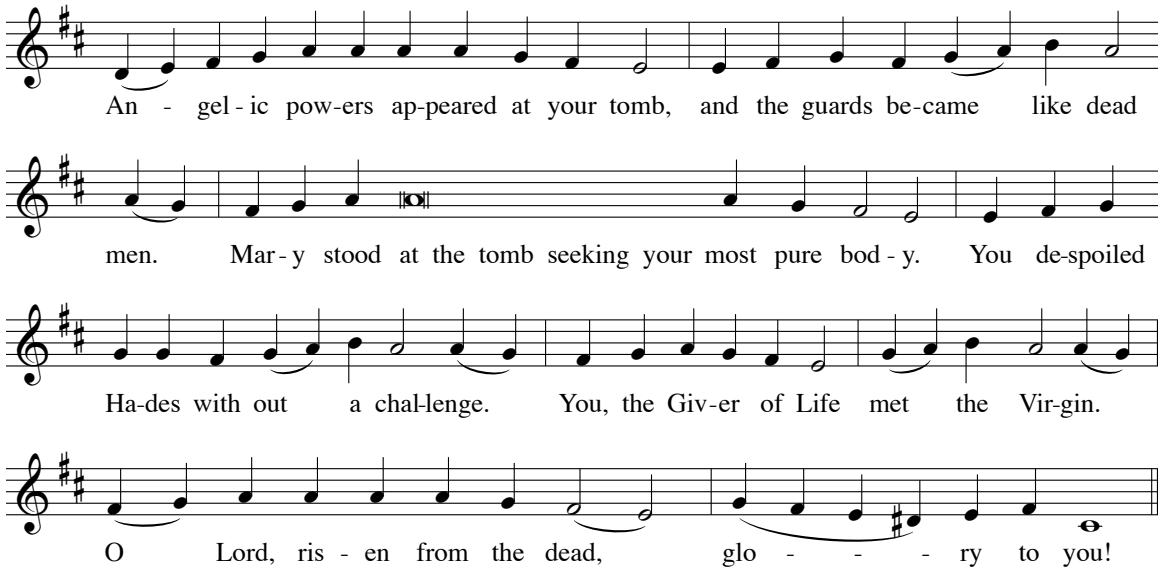
verse: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his love endures forever.

verse: They encircled me, compassed me about; in the Lord's name I crushed them.

verse: I shall not die, I shall live and recount the deeds of the Lord.

verse: The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.
This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes.

Troparion



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!

Tone 6

Theotokion

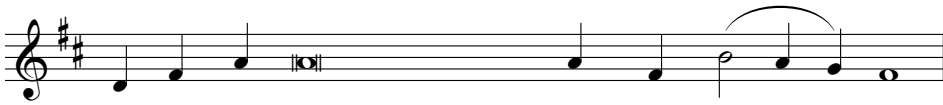
Christ, who called you "Moth-er" and the "Bless-ed One," ac - cept-ed the Pas-sion
of his own free will. In his de-sire to find the fall-en Ad - am, he caused
light to shine forth from his cross in or-der to search him out. Then he said
to the an - gels: Re-joice with me, for I have found the last piece of sil-ver.
Glo-ry to you, O God, who ac-com-plished all things in such wis - dom.

The service continues on page 13

Sessional Hymn 1

Tone 6 Kontakion

①
When the tomb was shown to be open and Hades was la-ment - ing, Mar-y cried
out to the apostles who were hid - ing, and said: Come out, laborers
of the vine - yard, and pro - claim the news of the Re - sur - rec - tion;



for the Lord is risen, granting the world great mer - cy.

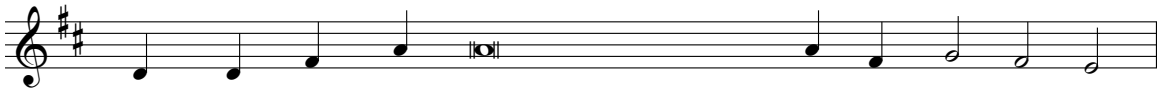
Cantor: Arise, O Lord, lift up your hand.
O God, do not forget the poor!



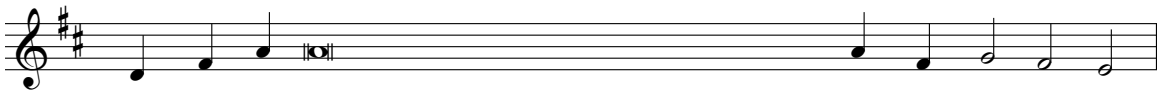
Mar-y Mag-dalene stood by your tomb and wept, O Lord. When she thought you



were the gard - 'ner, she said: Where have you hid - den the e - ter - nal Life?



Where have you placed him who sits on the throne of the Cher - u - bim?



When she saw those guarding him fearful and appearing as dead, she cried to them:



Give me my Lord or else cry out with me and say: You have come forth



from the tomb, and raised the dead, O Lord, glo - ry to you!


Cantor: Glory...now and ever...

Theotokion




O The-o - to - kos, Gideon prefigured your con-cep - tion, and Da - vid interpret-ed


Tone 6



your birth - giv - ing. As dew de-scend-ed up - on the fleece so the Word



de-scend-ed in - to your womb. O ho - ly Earth, who with-out seed gave




birth to Christ our God the sal-va-tion of the world, you are full of grace.

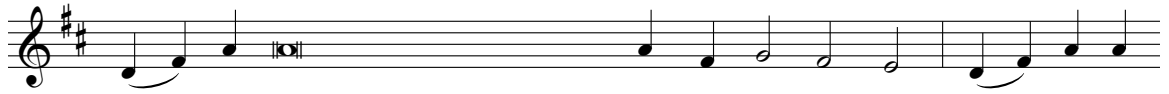
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Sessional Hymn 2


Tone 6 Kontakion



① Tru - ly our Life was placed in the grave, and seals were ap-plied to the stone.




The sol - diers guarded Christ as they would a sleep-ing king. But, strik-ing




his enemies with blind-ness, the Lord rose.

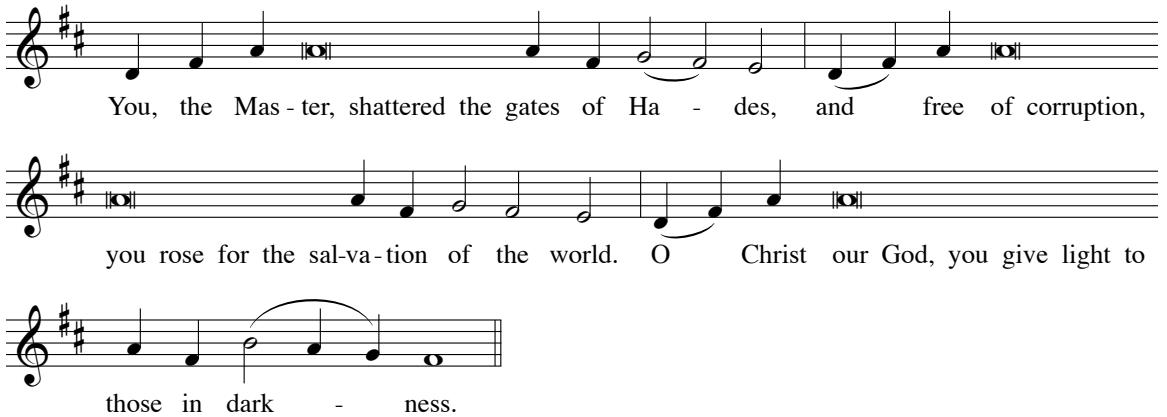
Cantor: I will praise you, Lord, with all my heart;
I will recount all your wonders.



② Jo - nah pre - fig - ured your tomb, O im - mor - tal Lord, and Sim - eon interpreted



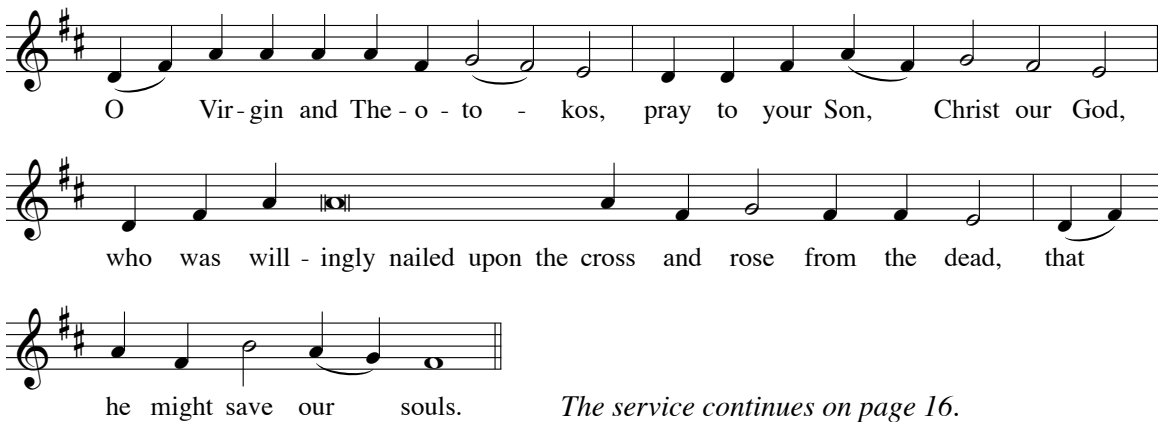
your divine Re-sur-rec - tion; for you de-scend-ed into the grave as One who is dead.



You, the Mas - ter, shattered the gates of Ha - des, and free of corruption,
 you rose for the sal - va - tion of the world. O Christ our God, you give light to
 those in dark - ness.

Cantor: Glory...now and ever...

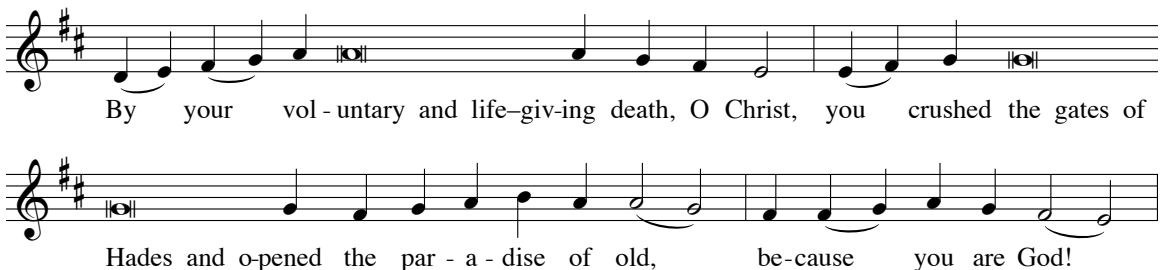
Theotokion



O Vir - gin and The - o - to - kos, pray to your Son, Christ our God,
 who was will - ingly nailed upon the cross and rose from the dead, that
 he might save our souls.

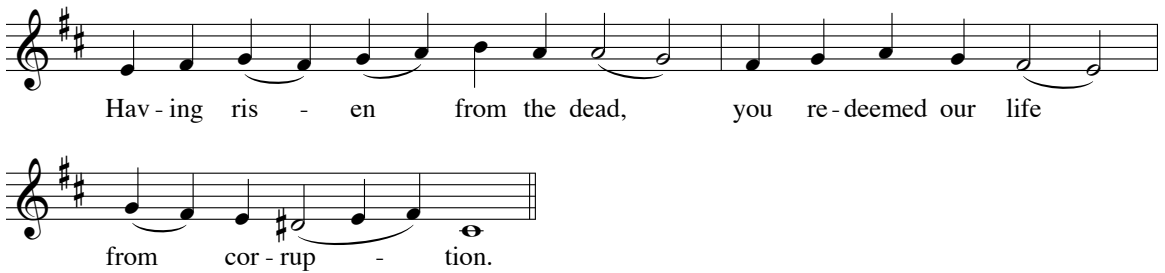
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Hypakoe



By your vol - untary and life - giv - ing death, O Christ, you crushed the gates of
 Hades and o - pened the par - a - dise of old, be - cause you are God!

Tone 6

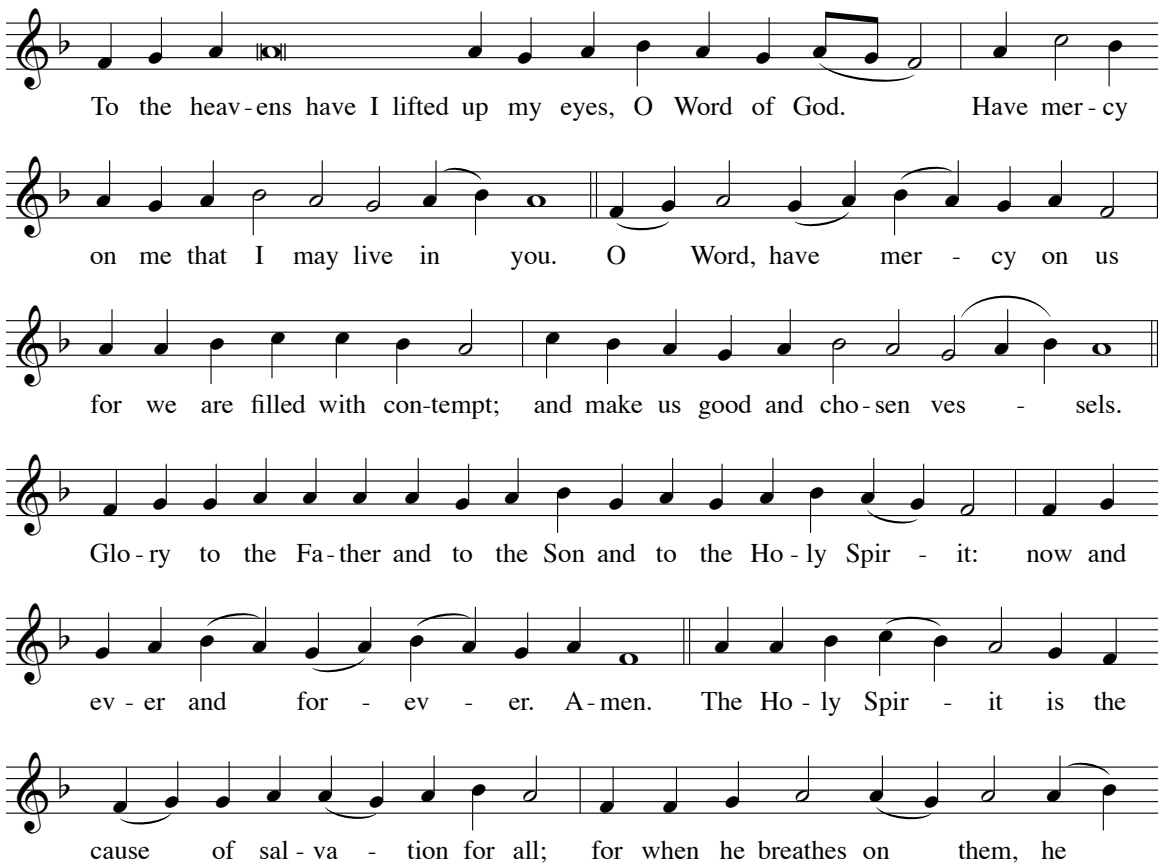


Hav - ing ris - en from the dead, you re - deemed our life
from cor - rup - tion.

The service continues with the Gradual Hymns; if these are not taken, the service continues on page 23.

Gradual Hymns

Antiphon 1




To the heav - ens have I lifted up my eyes, O Word of God. Have mer - cy
on me that I may live in you. O Word, have mer - cy on us
for we are filled with con-tempt; and make us good and cho - sen ves - sels.
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. The Ho - ly Spir - it is the
cause of sal - va - tion for all; for when he breathes on them, he

rais - es them from the cares of this world. He en-dows them
with wings from on high to car - ry them to heav - en.


Antiphon 2

Had the Lord not been with us, it would not be pos-si-ble for an - y one of us
to stand firm in wres-tling with the En - e - my; for on - ly there-by do the
vic - tors at - tain the ex - al - ta - tion of vic - to - ry. Woe is me! How shall
I es-cape the En - e - my while I am yet a lov - er of sin? O Word,
de - liv - er not my soul, like a bird, to their teeth. 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. Through the Holy Spir - it are all made di-vine;

Tone 6



and in him is joy and un-der-stand-ing and peace and bless-ed-ness, for he is



e - qual to-geth-er with the Fa - ther and the Word.

Antiphon 3



They who trust in the Lord are feared by their en - e-mies, and are wor-thy of



ad-mi-ra - tion; for their eyes are fixed on heav - en. The right-eous have



se-cured you as their help-er, O Sav - ior, and there-fore they shall not reach



out their hands to in - i - qui - ties. 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.



The Ho - ly Spir - it has might o - ver all; for all the heav - en - ly

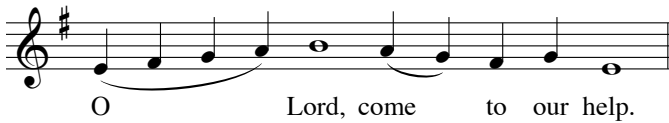
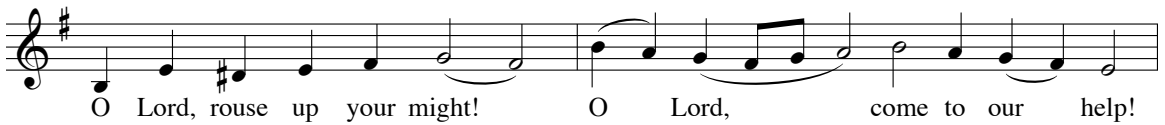


host wor-ship him, and ev - 'ry - thing that breathes on earth.

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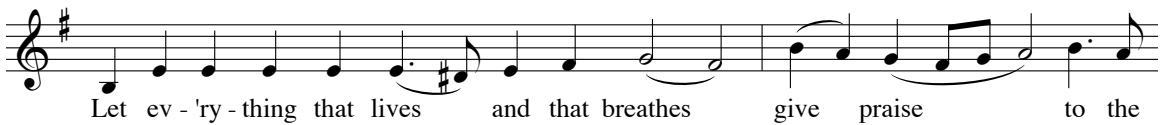
Psalm 79: 3, 2



Verse: O Shepherd of Israel, hear us;
you who lead Joseph like a flock.

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Let everything that lives



Verse: Praise God in his holy place;
praise him in his mighty heavens.

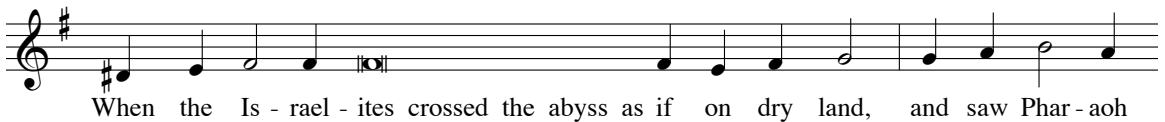
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Canon

The most commonly used Katavasiai are those of the Theotokos, which are included here. If other Katavasiai or refrains are used, they will be found in the Supplement.

Ode 1

Irmos



Tone 6

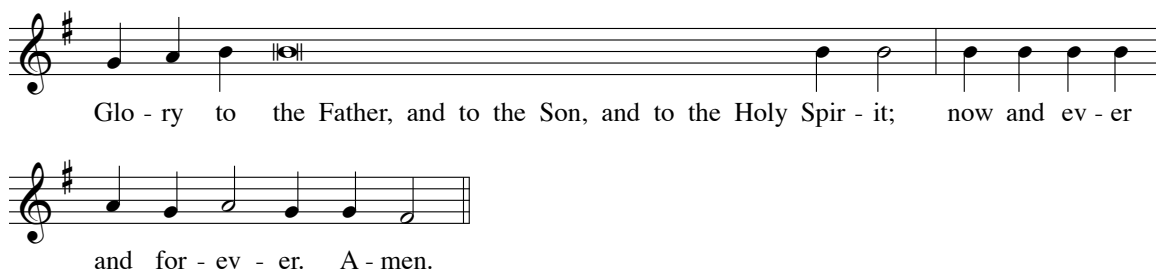


Refrain



When you stretched out your hands on the cross, O God of goodness, you fulfilled the good will of your Father. With one heart we now sing a hymn of victory to you. *Refrain*

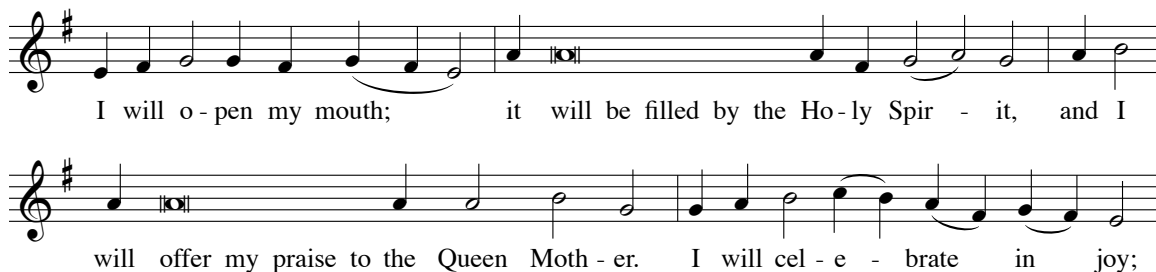
At your order, O Master of life, death approached you as a servant who is filled with fear; and through death you have granted us resurrection and eternal life.

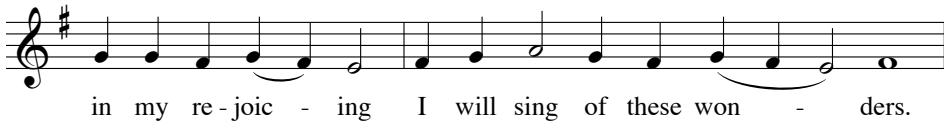


You have received your Creator as he himself willed; he took flesh ineffably in your womb without seed; O pure Virgin, you are truly the Queen of all creation.

Katavasia 1 of the Theotokos

Tone 4





Ode 3 Irmos

None is as ho - ly, none as ho - ly as you, O Lord my God;
 you have ex - alt - ed the strength of your faith - ful, O Good one,
 and you have es - tab - lished us on the un - shak - a - ble rock
 of the con - fes - sion of your name.

Refrain

Glo - ry to your ho - ly Res - ur - rec - tion, O Lord.

When creation saw God crucified in the flesh, it trembled with fear; but it was held together by the hand of the One who let himself be crucified for us. *Refrain*

The power of Death has been crushed by death and now lives without strength; for it could not bear the divine invasion of Life, and resurrection is granted to the whole world.

Glo - ry to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spir - it; now and ev - er

Tone 6



and for - ev - er. A - men.

O pure Virgin, the wonder of your divine birthgiving surpasses the laws of nature, for it is God himself whom you ineffably conceived in your womb, and you remain a virgin even after giving birth.

Katavasia 3 of the Theotokos

Tone 4



O The - o - to - kos, life-giv - ing source of bles - sings, grant strength



to those unit-ed in faith who sing hymns of praise to you.



In your glo - ry, grant them the crowns of vic - to - ry.

The Small Litany is found on page 32.

Ode 4

Irmos

Tone 6



Christ is my strength, my Lord and my God! This is the hymn



that the ho - ly Church pro-claims, and with a pur - i - fied heart



she sings prais - es un - to the Lord.

Refrain

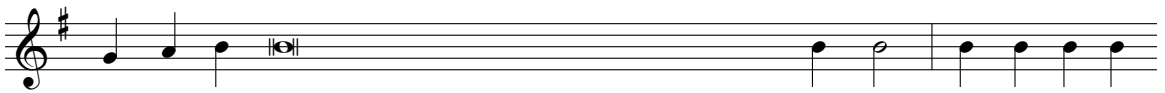


Glo - ry to your ho - ly Res - ur - rec - tion, O Lord.

The wood of the true life flourished, O Christ, when your cross was planted in the ground. Sprinkled with blood and water from your pure side, it made life spring up for us.

Refrain

Never again shall the Serpent deceive me by offering me the chance to become like God, for Christ, my divine Creator, has opened the path of life for me once again.



Glo - ry to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spir - it; now and ev - er



and for - ev - er. A - men.

Truly ineffable and impossible to encompass! Such are the mysteries of your divine birthing for those in heaven and on earth, O Mother of God and ever-Virgin Mary.

Katavasia 4 of the Theotokos

Tone 4



Je - sus the true God, who sits in glory upon the di - vine throne,



now ap - pears rid - ing on a swift cloud; and with his pure hand

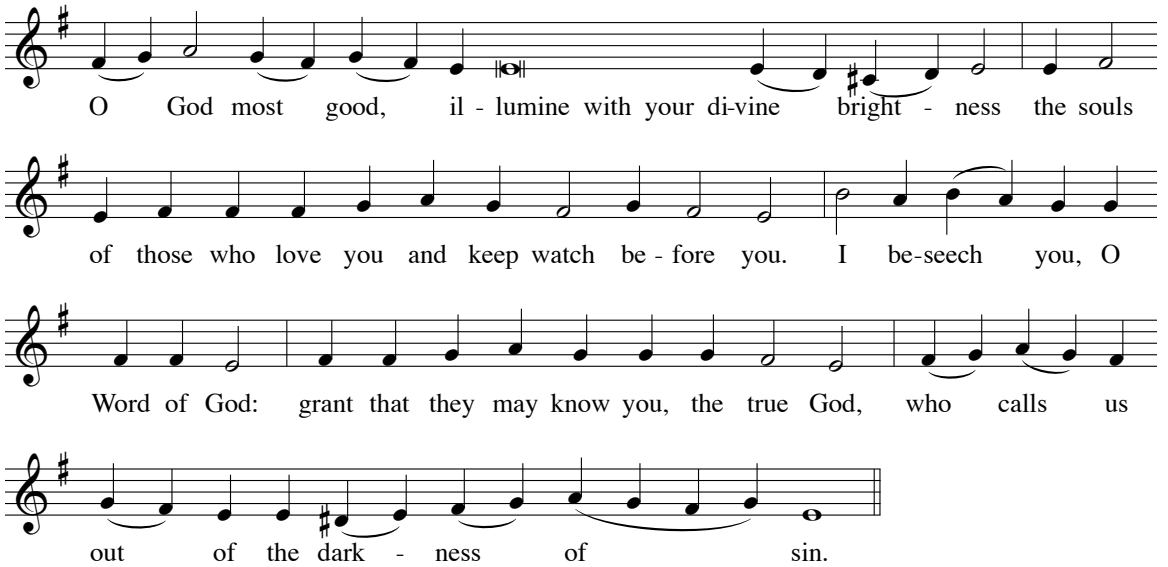


he saves those who cry: Glo - ry to your pow - er, O Christ!

Tone 6

Ode 5

Irmos



O God most good, il - lumine with your di-vine bright - ness the souls
of those who love you and keep watch be - fore you. I be-seech you, O
Word of God: grant that they may know you, the true God, who calls us
out of the dark - ness of sin.

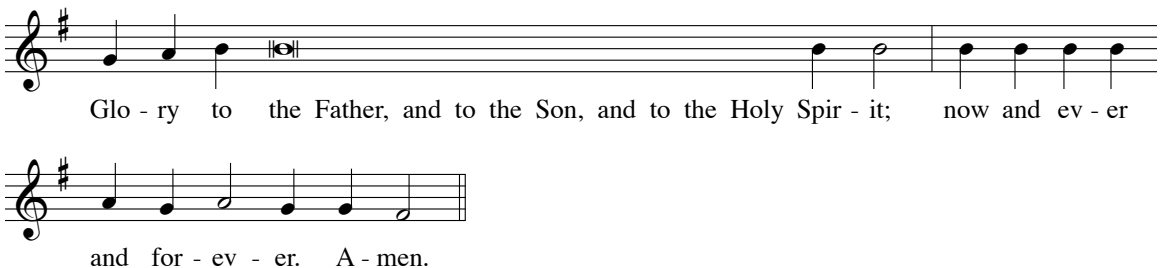
Refrain



Glo - ry to your ho - ly Res - ur - rec - tion, O Lord.

The Cherubim have drawn back from me, O Lord, and the flaming sword no longer guards Eden; for they have seen you, O Word of God and true God, open the way to paradise for the good thief. *Refrain*

I no longer fear returning to the earth, O Christ my Lord; for in your great compassion, when I was still abandoned, you brought me forth from the earth to the height of eternal life by your Resurrection.



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

In your goodness, O Queen of the universe, save those who recognize you with all their heart as the Theotokos; in you we possess an invincible protection, for you are truly the one who gave birth to the Lord.

Katavasia 5 of the Theotokos

Tone 4

All na - tions mar - velled at your di - vine glo - ry, for you,
 O Virgin who have not known wed - lock, car - ried with - in your womb the
 God of all, the eternal Son to whom you gave birth; he grants sal - va - tion
 to all who sing your prais - es.

Ode 6**Irmos**

When I see the o - cean of this life tossed a - bout by the tem - pest of
 temp - ta - tions, I has - ten to your har - bor of peace and cry out to
 you, O God of good - ness: Res - cue my life from the pit of
 cor - rup - - - tion.

Tone 6

Refrain

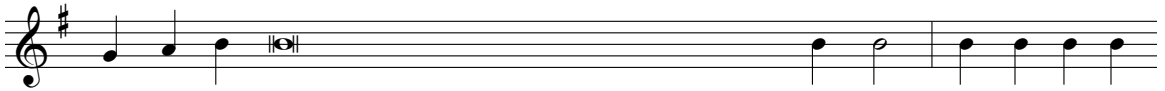


Glo - ry to your ho - ly Res - ur - rec - tion, O Lord.

When you were nailed to the cross, O Lord, you wiped out the ancient curse; and when the lance pierced your side, you tore up the debt against Adam and set the whole world free.

Refrain

Deceived by the Serpent, Adam was hurled into the pit of Hades; but you, O God of compassion, have gone in search of him, and carrying him upon your shoulders, you have raised him with you.



Glo - ry to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spir - it; now and ev - er



and for - ev - er. A - men.

O most pure Lady, who for the human race gave birth to their Lord and Leader, appease the unceasing stirrings of my violent passions and grant a calmness to my heart.

Katavasia 6 of the Theotokos

Tone 4



Come, all you faith-ful, and clap your hands, as we cel - e - brate this ho - ly and

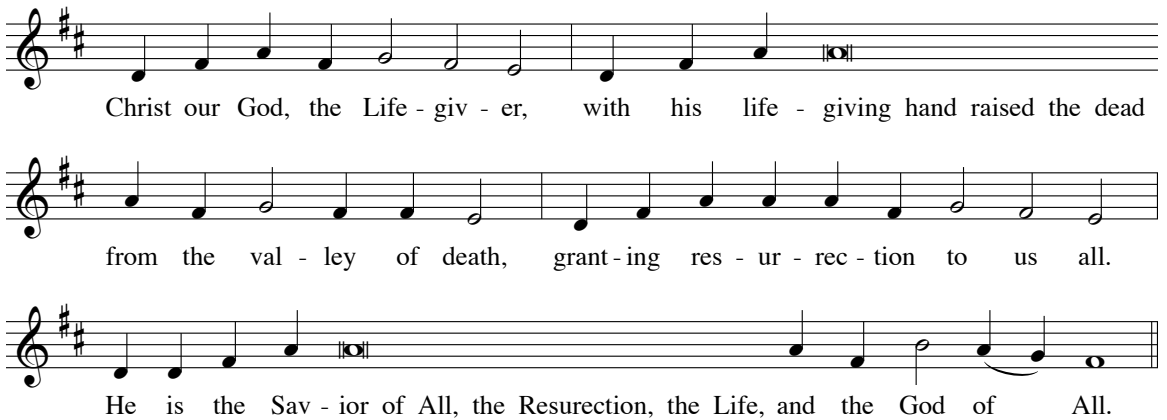


sol - emn feast of the Moth - er of God. O glo - ri - fy him,



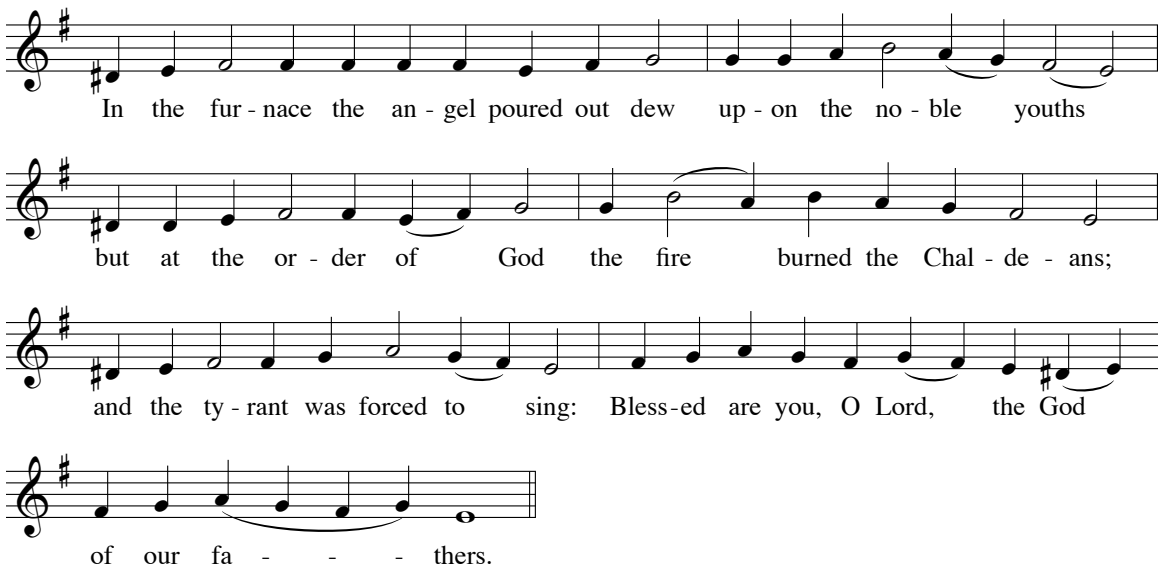
glo - ri - fy him who was born of her.

The Small Litany is found on page 33.

Kontakion


Christ our God, the Life - giv - er, with his life - giving hand raised the dead
 from the val - ley of death, grant - ing res - ur - rec - tion to us all.
 He is the Sav - ior of All, the Resurrection, the Life, and the God of All.

Ikos: O Source of life, we the faithful, praise and bow before your cross and your tomb; for you have chained Hades, O immortal Lord, and as the almighty God, you have raised the dead with you. You shattered the gates of Hades and destroyed the dominion of Death. We mortals now praise you with love, for you have risen and demolished the power of the deadly enemy. You have raised all those who believe in you, and you delivered the world from the arrows of the Serpent. O all-powerful One, you have freed us from the deceits of the Enemy. Therefore, in faith we praise your Resurrection by which you save us, O God of the universe.

Ode 7**Irmos**


In the fur - nace the an - gel poured out dew up - on the no - ble youths
 but at the or - der of God the fire burned the Chal - de - ans;
 and the ty - rant was forced to sing: Bless - ed are you, O Lord, the God
 of our fa - - - thers.

Tone 6

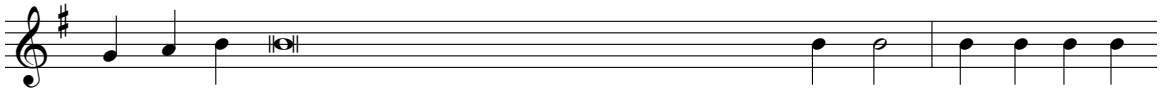
Refrain



Glo - ry to your ho - ly Res - ur - rec - tion, O Lord.

Lamenting over your passion, in full daylight the sun was covered with darkness, and light was darkened over all creation as it cried out: Blessed are you, O Lord, God of our fathers. *Refrain*

At your descent, O Christ, the lower kingdoms were filled with light, and our first father was seen filled with joy; dancing and rejoicing, he cried out: Blessed are you, O Lord, God of our fathers.



Glo - ry to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spir - it; now and ev - er



and for - ev - er. A - men.

Through you, O Virgin Mother, a light is risen illuminating the whole world; for you have given birth to the divine Creator of the universe. Beseech him, all-holy Lady, to send his great mercy upon his faithful.

Katavasia 7 of the Theotokos

Tone 4



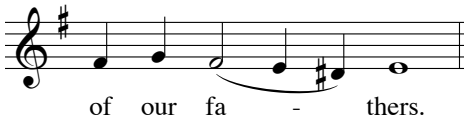
The three youths walked cou-ra - geously about in the flam-ing fur - nace,



pre - fer - ring to wor-ship the Cre - a - tor ra - ther than cre - a - ted things



and they sang out in joy: Bless-ed are you and praised a - bove all, O God



Ode 8 Irmos

You made dew spring forth a - mid the flames for your ho - ly ones,
and through wa - ter you set fire to the sac - ri - fice of your just one,
for you ac - com - plish all things through your will a - lone. O Christ, we
ex - alt you through all a - - - ges.

Refrain

Glo - ry to your ho - ly Res - ur - rec - tion, O Lord.

The people who formerly killed the prophets have now been seized with envy and have crucified the Word of God, whom we exalt through all ages. *Refrain*

Without leaving the vaults of heaven, you descended into Hades, O Christ, and raised with you humanity who had been lying in the corruption of the grave, and who exalts you through all ages.

Let us bless the Father, Son, and Holy Spir - it, Lord. Now and ev - er

Tone 6



and for - ev - er. A - men.

You conceived the Word, the Light of light, and are filled with glory for having given birth in a manner beyond expression, for the Holy Spirit made his dwelling in you. O Virgin, we exalt you through all ages.

Tone 4



Let us praise, bless, and worship the Lord; sing ing and highly exalting him a-bove



all for ev - - - er.

Katavasia 8 of the Theotokos

Tone 4



The three youths in the fur - nace were saved by the Offspring of the



The - o - to - kos. He who was fore-told has been born on earth,



and he joins to - geth - er all cre - a - tion to sing: All you works

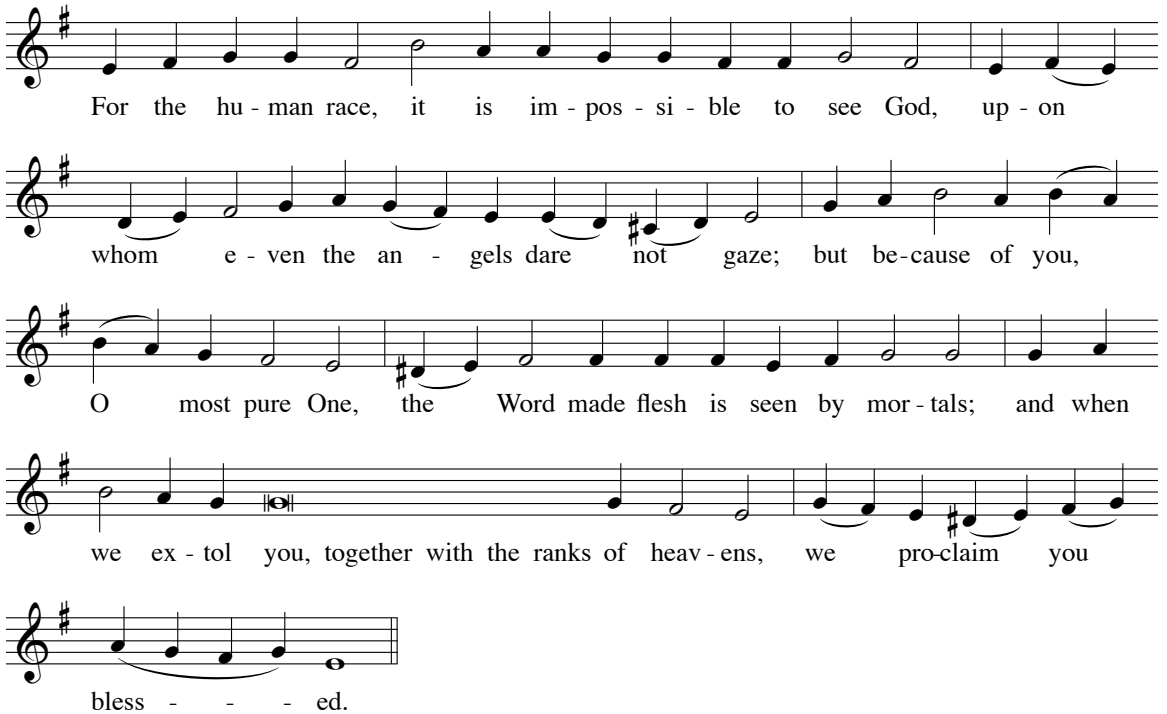


of the Lord, bless the Lord, and praise him a - bove all for - ev - er.

The Canticle of the Theotokos (Magnificat) is found on page 34.

Ode 9

Irmos



For the hu - man race, it is im - pos - si - ble to see God, up - on
 whom e - ven the an - gels dare not gaze; but be-cause of you,
 O most pure One, the Word made flesh is seen by mor - tals; and when
 we ex - tol you, together with the ranks of heav - ens, we pro-claim you
 bless - - - ed.

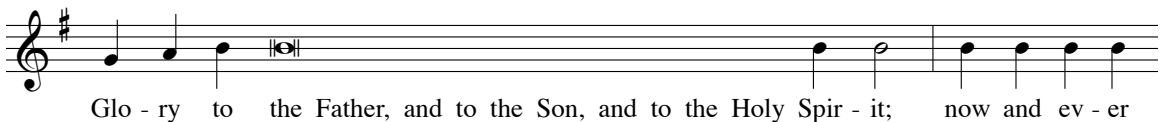
Refrain



Glo - ry to your ho - ly Res - ur - rec - tion, O Lord.

You remained a stranger to passions, O Word of God, even though you lived our human condition in the flesh; but you delivered humanity from its passions, having overcome our passions by your own passion, O our Savior. For you alone are beyond all suffering and are almighty. *Refrain*

Descending into the abyss of death, you preserved your body from the corruption of the tomb; and your soul was not left in Hades, O Giver of life, but you were raised up as from sleep, O Lord, raising us with you.



Glo - ry to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spir - it; now and ev - er

Tone 6



and for - ev - er. A - men.

Let us mortals purify our lips that we may glorify God the Father and his coeternal Son, and venerate the ineffable and glorious power of the most Holy Spirit. For you alone are all-powerful, O indivisible Trinity.

Katavasia 9 of the Theotokos

Tone 4



May ev - 'ry child of the earth ex - alt in spir - it



and hold a - loft the burn - ing lamp, and may the an - gels in heav - en



praise with joy the ho - ly feast of the Moth - er of God



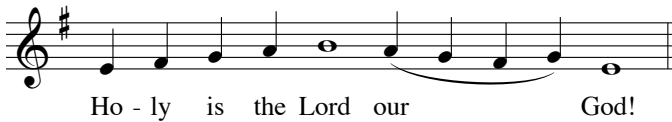
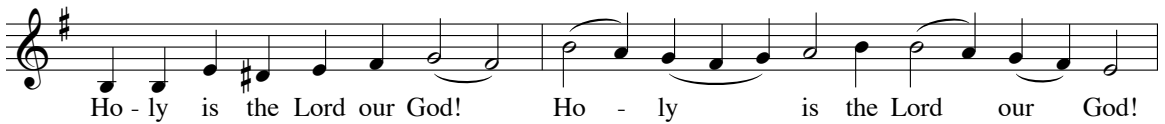
and sing: Re - joice, O The - o - to - kos,



ev - er - bless - ed and ev - er - Vir - - - gin.

The service continues with the Small Litany, found on page 36.

Holy is the Lord our God



Verse: Exalt the Lord our God!
Bow before his footstool, for he is holy.

The Lector chants the Hymn of Light corresponding to the Resurrection Gospel.

The Psalms of Praise

Psalm 148



Praise him, sun and moon,
praise him, *shining* stars.
Praise him, highest heavens
and the waters above *the* heavens.
Let them praise the name of the Lord,
He commanded; they *were* made.

Tone 6

He fixed them forever,
gave a law which shall not pass *away*.
Praise the Lord from the earth,
sea creatures and *all* oceans,
fire and hail, snow and mist,
stormy winds that obey *his* word;
all mountains and hills,
all fruit trees *and* cedars,
beasts, wild and tame,
reptiles and birds on *the* wing;
all earth's kings and peoples,
earth's princes *and* rulers.
young men and maidens,
old men together *with* children.
Let them praise the name of the Lord
for he alone is *exalted*.
The splendor of his name
reaches beyond heaven *and* earth.
He exalts the strength of his people,
he is the praise of all *his* saints,
of the children of Israel,
of the people to whom he *comes* close.

Psalm 149 Sing a new song to the Lord,
his praise in the assembly of *the* faithful.
Let Israel rejoice in its Maker,
let Zion's sons exult in *their* king
Let them praise his name with dancing
and make music with timbrel *and* harp.
For the Lord takes delight in his people.
He crowns the poor with *salvation*.
Let the faithful rejoice in their glory,
shout for joy and take *their* rest.
Let the praise of God be on their lips
and a two-edged sword in *their* hand,
to deal out vengeance to the nations
and punishment on all *the* peoples;
to bind their kings in chains
and their nobles in fetters *of* iron.

Cantor: To carry out the sentence pre-ordained:
(on 6) this honor is for all his faithful.

⑥

Your cross, O Lord, is life and resurrection to your peo-ple and we place our hope
in it. We praise you, our God, ris - en from the dead.
Have mer - - - cy on us!

Cantor: Praise God in his holy place, **Psalm 150**
(on 5) praise him in his mighty heavens.

⑤

Your grave, O Mas - ter, has opened Paradise to the hu - man race.
Freed from cor - rup - tion, we praise you, our God, ris-en from the dead.
Have mer - - - cy on us.

Cantor: Praise him for his powerful deeds,
(on 4) praise his surpassing greatness.

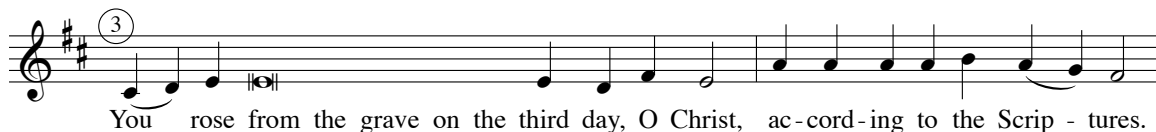
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Let us praise Christ, ris-en from the dead, to - gether with the Father and the Spir - it,
and let us cry out to him: You are our life and re-sur - rec - tion;

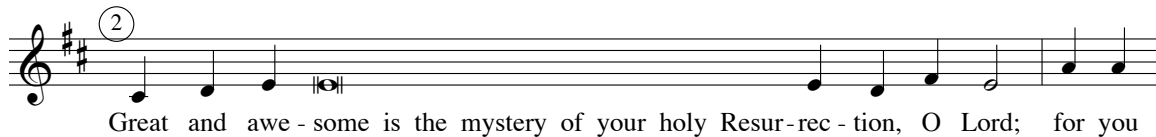
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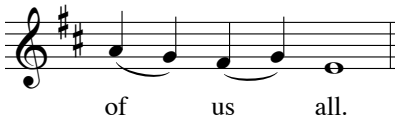


Cantor: O praise him with sound of trumpet
(on 3) praise him with lute and harp.

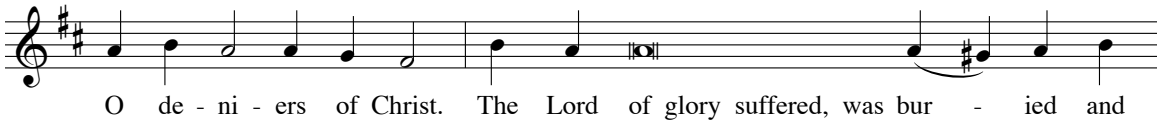
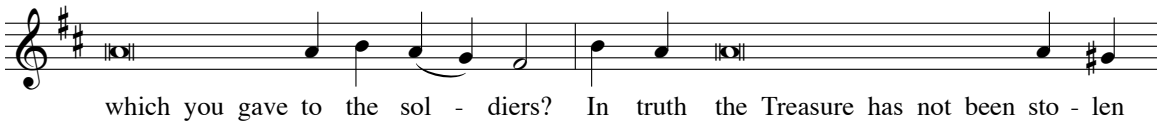
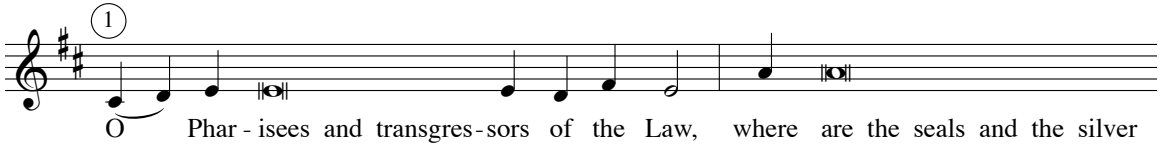


Cantor: Praise him with timbrel and dance,
(on 2) praise him with strings and pipes.

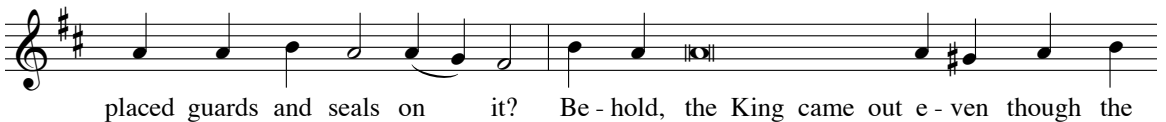
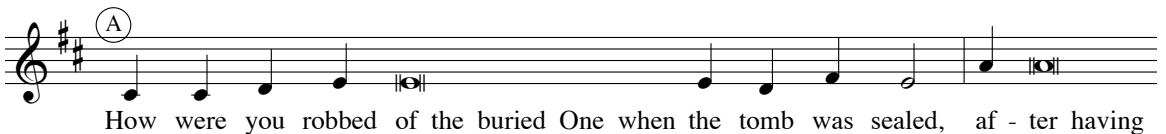




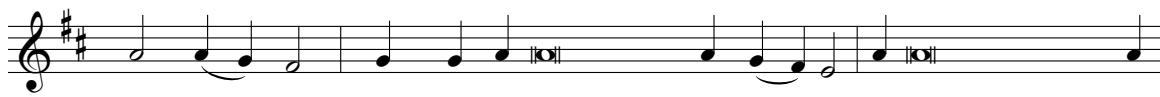
Cantor: O praise him with resounding cymbals,
(on I) praise him with clashing of cymbals.
 Let everything that lives and that breathes
 give praise to the Lord.



Cantor: Arise, O Lord, lift up your hand!
(on A) O God, do not forget the poor!



Tone 6

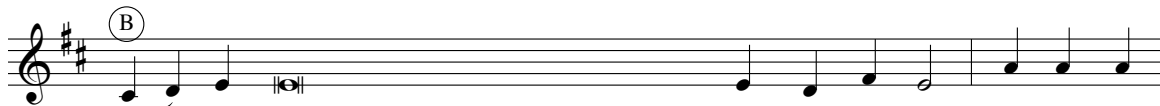


doors were closed. There-fore, ei ther show us his bod - y, or worship him with us



as God and sing: Glo-ry to your cross and Res-ur-rec-tion, O Lord!

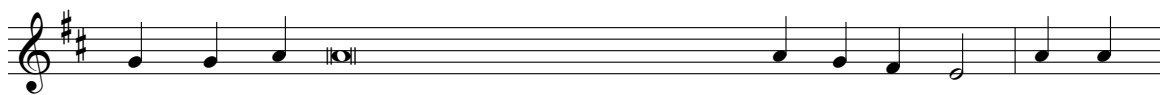
Cantor: I will praise you, Lord, with all my heart;
(on B) I will recount your wonders.



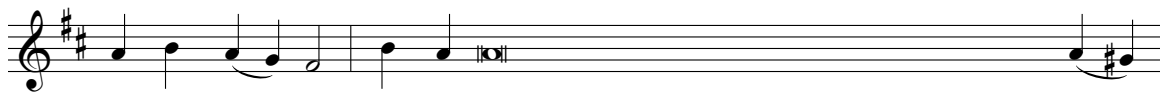
The myrrh-bearing women came to your life-giv-ing grave, O Lord, weep-ing and



car-ry-ing oint - ments. They sought your most pure bod - y to a - noint it.



Then they saw an angel wrapped with light and sit-ting on a stone. He spoke



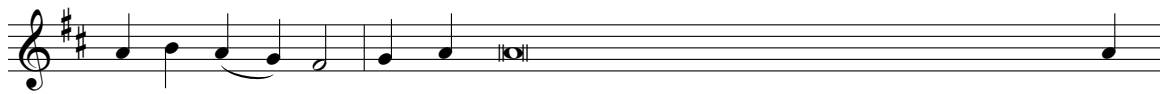
to them, say - ing: Why are you shedding tears for the One from whose side life




o - ver-flowed to the world? Why do you seek in the grave One who is death - less?




Has - ten instead to his dis - ci - ples to pro - claim with joy his glo - rious



Res - ur - rec - tion. O Sav - ior, you give joy to the whole world by your Res-ur -



rec - tion; en - light - en us al - so and grant us for - give - ness



and great mer - - - cy.

Cantor: Glory...


The Gospel Stanza corresponding to the Resurrection Gospel is now sung.

Cantor: Now and ever...


On normal Sundays, the following is sung:

Theotokion


Tone 2




You are tru - ly most blessed, O Vir - gin The - o - to - kos. Through the One




who was in - car - nate of you, Ha - des was chained, Ad - am revived, the curse wiped out,



Eve set free, Death put to death, and we our - selves were brought



back to life. That is why we cry out in praise: Bless - ed are you, O



Christ our God, who finds in this your good pleas - ure. Glo - ry to you!

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