

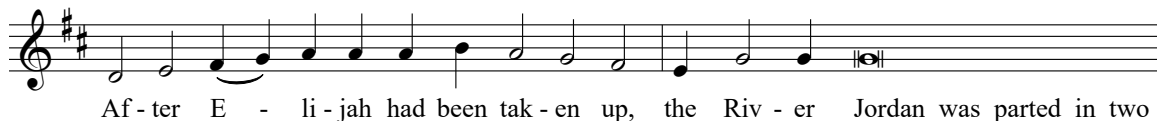
# Royal Hours of Theophany - First Hour

## Troparia



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## Troparion of the Vigil - *Tone 4*



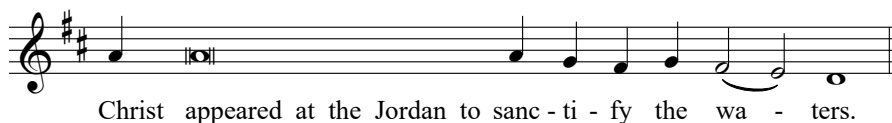
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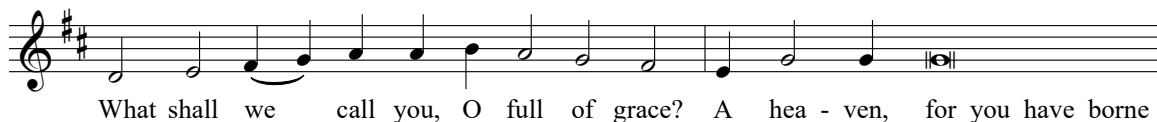
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*Cantor*



Now and ev - er and for - ev - er. A - men.

## Theotokion of the First Hour - *Tone 4*



What shall we call you, O full of grace? A hea - ven, for you have borne



the Sun of Jus - tice? A par - adise, for you have brought forth the Flower of

im-mor-ta - li - ty? A vir - gin, for you have re - mained un - de - filed? A  
 mo - ther, holding in her holy arms the Son who is God of all? In - tercede with him  
 for the sal - va - tion of our souls.

### Stichera

#### Stichera of the first Royal Hour of Theophany - *Tone 8 samohlasen*

To - day the nature of the wa - ters is sanc - ti - fied, and the Jor - dan is  
 part - ed in two; it holds back the streams of its own wa - ters,  
 see - ing the Mas - ter be - ing bathed. *(twice)*

*Cantor*

There - fore I think of you, from the country of Jordan and Mount Her - mon. The  
 waters saw you, O God the wa - ters saw you and trem - bled.

You have gone down into the river as a man, O Christ our King; and in your

good-ness, you has-ten to re-ceive the bap-tism of a servant at the hands of the

Fore-run-ner for the sake of our sins, O good God and

Lov-er of us all.

*Cantor*

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.

**Doxastikon - in the same tone**

A her-ald's voice cries out in the des-ert: Make read-y the way of the Lord!

And you have come, O Christ, taking the form of a serv-ant. You, the on-ly

Sin-less One, ask to be bap-tized. The wa-ters see you and trem-ble;

the Fore-runner is filled with awe and cries a-loud: How shall the lamp-stand

il - lu - mine the light? How shall the servant lay his hand up-on the Mas - ter?

O Sav - ior, who take away the sins of the world, sanc-ti - fy both me and

the wa - - - ters.

**Prokeimenon, Tone 4** (*Psalm 17: 14, 2-3*)

The Lord thun-dered in the hea - - - - vens; the Most High let his

voice be heard.

*Verse:* I love you, Lord my strength; my rock, my refuge, my Savior.

**Kontakion of the Vigil - Tone 4**


To - day the Lord appears in the Jor-dan's streams and cries out to John:

Do not be af-raid to bap-tize me, for I have come to save Ad-am, the first

cre - a - - ted.


# Royal Hours of Theophany - Third Hour

## Troparia



Glo - ry to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir - it.


### Troparion of the Vigil - Tone 4




Af - ter E - li - jah had been tak - en up, the Riv - er Jordan was parted in two



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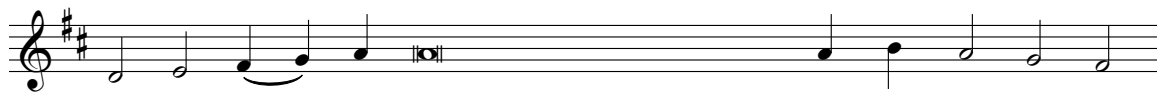
Christ appeared at the Jordan to sanc - ti - fy the wa - ters.

*Cantor*




Now and ev - er and for - ev - er. A - men.

### Theotokion of the Third Hour - Tone 4



O The - o - to - kos, you are the true vine laden with the Fruit of Life;



there - fore, we im - plore you, O La - dy, to in - ter - cede together with the



apos-tles and all the saints that we may ob-tain mer-cy for our souls.

### Stichera

#### Stichera of the third Royal Hour of Theophany - Tone 8 samohlasen



The hand of the Forerun-ner and Bap - tist, John, the proph - et honored above all



for - mer proph - ets, trem - bled when he saw the Lamb of God



who takes a - way the sin of the world. Seized with an - guish, he cried out:



I do not dare to touch your head, O Word! O com - pas-sionate Lord, yourself -

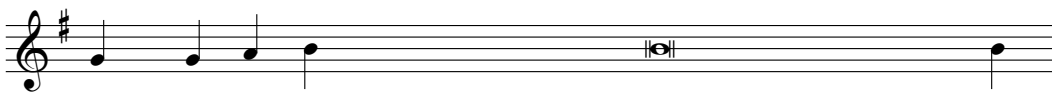


are able to sanctify and en - light - en me! For you, O Lord, are the life, the light,



and the peace of the world!

*Tone 4 samohlasen*



There - fore, I think of you, from the country of Jordan and Mount Her - mon.



The waters saw you, O God; the wa - ters saw you and trem - bled.

**Sticheron - Tone 4 samohlasen**



To - day, the Trin - i - ty, our God, has revealed Itself indivis-i - bly to us:



the Father bears his clear witness to his Son; the Spir - it comes down from

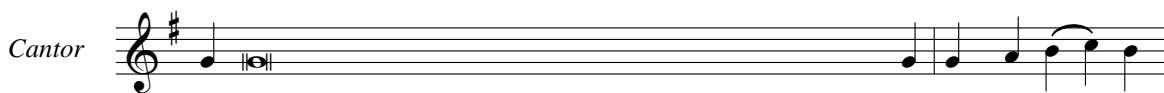


heaven in the form of a dove; the Son bows his spotless head be-fore the Bap - tist;



be - ing baptized, the Lover of Man-kind frees man - kind from sla - ve - ry.

*Tone 5 samohlasen*

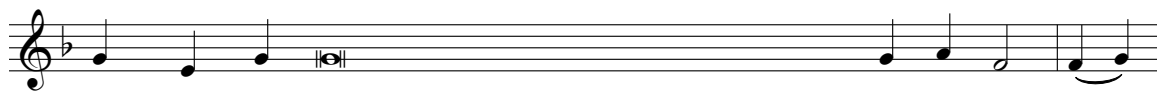


Glo-ry to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spir-it, now and ev - er



and for - ev - er. A - - - men.

**Doxastikon - Tone 5 samohlasen**



Lord, you have come to the Jordan in the flesh to be baptized as a man in



or - der to save our souls, which had gone a-stray, and to save us from the cunning

and snares of the dra-gon, and the Ho - ly Spirit descended upon you in the form  
of a dove. Take up your dwelling in our souls for - ev - er,  
O com-pas - sion - ate Lord and Lov - er of us all!

**Prokeimenon, Tone 6** (*Psalm 76:17, 2*)

The wa - ters saw you; the wa-ters saw you O God, and trem - bled;  
saw you, O God, and trem - bled.

*Verse:* With all my voice I cried to the Lord; I cried aloud to God and he heard me.

**Kontakion of the Vigil - Tone 4**

To - day the Lord appears in the Jor-dan's streams and cries out to John:  
Do not be af-raid to bap-tize me, for I have come to save Ad-am, the first  
cre - a - ted.



# Royal Hours of Theophany - Sixth Hour

## Troparia



Glo - ry to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir - it.

### Troparion of the Vigil - Tone 4



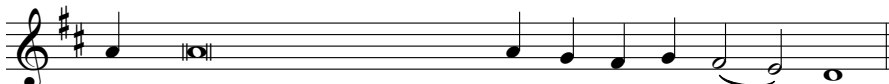
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*Cantor*



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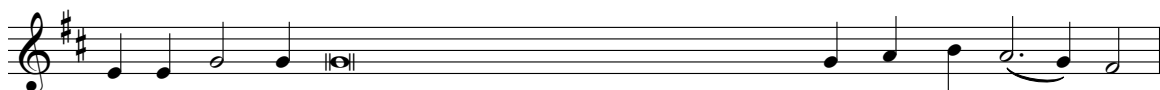
### Theotokion of the Sixth Hour - Tone 4



Since we have no one in whom to con - fide, be - cause of our many sins, O



Vir - gin The - o - to - kos, in - ter - cede with the one who was born of you;



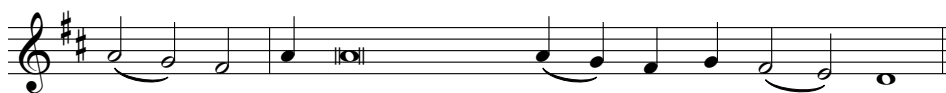
for a moth-er's prayer is a powerful means for obtaining the Mas-ter's fa - vor.



You are most wor-thy of ven-er - a - tion, so do not turn away from the plead-ing



of us sin - ners; for the one who willed to suffer for our sake is full of



mer - cy, and his power is suf-fi - cient to save us.

### Stichera

#### Stichera of the sixth Royal Hour of Theophany - Tone 8 samohlasen



The Lord spoke to John: Come, O Proph-et, and baptize me who cre-a - ted you,



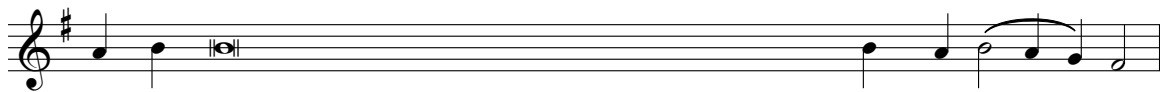
for I enlighten all men by grace and cleanse them! Touch my divine head and



do not hes - i - tate. O Proph-et, give in for now. We must



do this if we would fulfill all God's de - mands: Do not hold back,



for I am eager to slay the enemy hidden in the waters, the prince of dark - ness,

that I may now deliver the whole world from his snares, grant-ing it  
e - ter - nal life in my love!

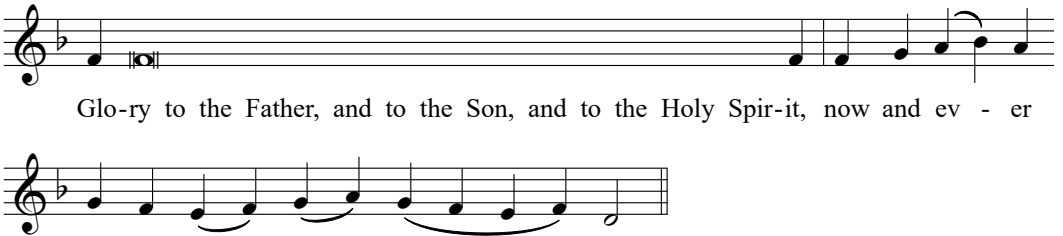
*Tone 6 samohlasen*

There - fore I think of you, from the country of Jordan and Mount Her-mon.  
The waters saw you, O God, the wa-ters saw you and trem - bled.

**Sticheron - Tone 6 samohlasen**


To - day the proph - ecy of the psalms comes to its ful - fill - ment: The sea fled  
at the sight; the Jor - dan turned back on its course be - fore the face of the Lord,  
be - fore the face of the God of Ja - cob, who comes to seek baptism from a  
serv - ant, so that, washed clean from the de-file - ment of i - dol - a - - try,  
our souls might be il - lu - mined in him.

Cantor

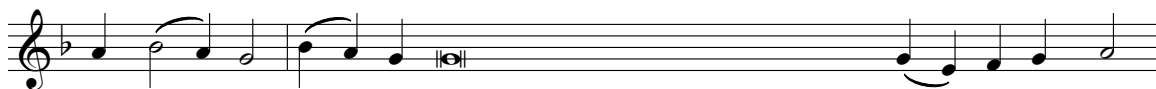


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and for - ev - er. A - - - men.

## Doxastikon - Tone 5 samohlasen



Why is it, O Jordan, that you turn back your wa-ters? Why do you stop your streams  
and not flow up - on your nor - mal course? And he re - plies: I cannot endure the  
con-sum - ing Fire! I am o - ver-come with trem-bling be - fore his ex-treme  
con-de - scen - sion! I am not accustomed to washing him who is al-read - y pure;  
I have nev - er learned to cleanse the Sin - less One, but ra - ther to puri-fy  
stained ves - sels. Christ, who has come to be bap - tized in me, teach-es me  
to burn away the thorns of sin. John, the voice of the Word, bears witness with me



and cries out: Be - hold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!



O faith - ful, let us cry a-loud to him: O God, who are made manifest for our



sal - va - tion: glo - ry to you!

**Prokeimenon, Tone 4** (*Psalm 76: 20, 19*)



Your way led through the sea, your path through the migh - ty wa - ters;



your path through the migh - ty wa - ters.

*Verse:* Your thunder rolled round the sky

**Kontakion of the Vigil - Tone 4**



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# Royal Hours of Theophany - Ninth Hour

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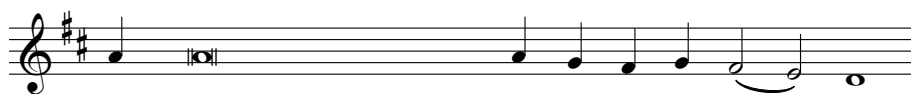
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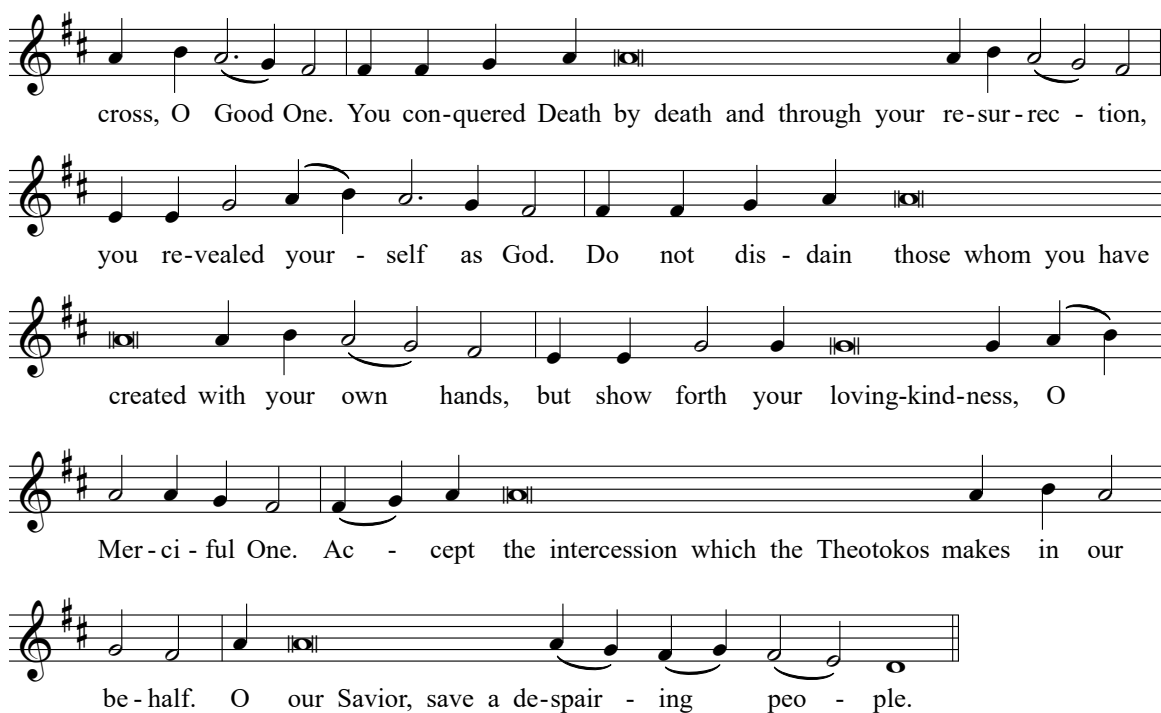


Now and ev - er and for - ev - er. A - men.

### Theotokion of the Ninth Hour - Tone 4



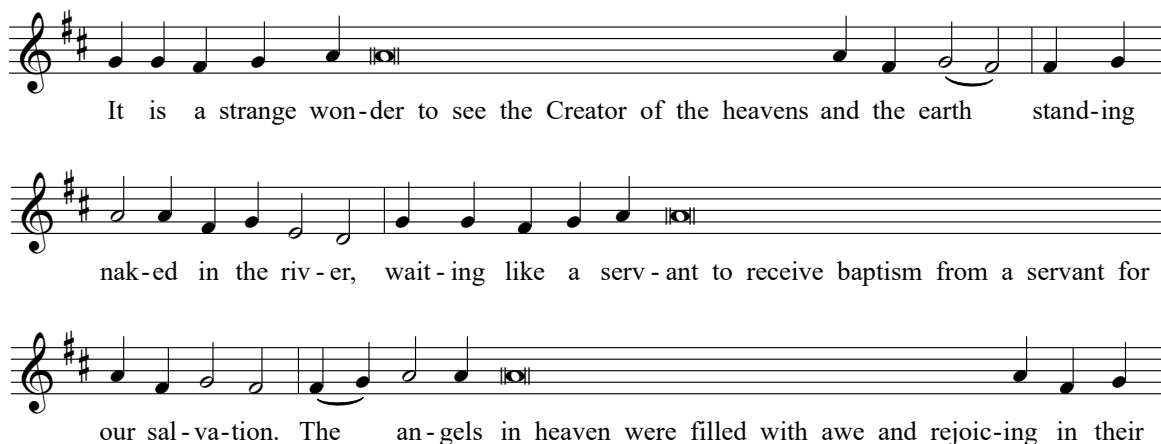
For the sake of all you were born of the Vir - gin, and you en - dured the



cross, O Good One. You con-quer-ed Death by death and through your re-sur-rec - tion,  
 you re-vealed your - self as God. Do not dis - dain those whom you have  
 created with your own hands, but show forth your loving-kind-ness, O  
 Mer-ci - ful One. Ac - cept the intercession which the Theotokos makes in our  
 be-half. O our Savior, save a de-spair - ing peo - ple.

## Stichera

### Stichera of the ninth Royal Hour of Theophany - *Tone 7 samohlasen*



It is a strange won-der to see the Creator of the heavens and the earth stand-ing  
 nak-ed in the riv-er, wait-ing like a serv-ant to receive baptism from a servant for  
 our sal-va-tion. The an-gels in heaven were filled with awe and rejoic-ing in their

choirs. U - ni - ted with them, we bow down be - fore you: Save us,  
 O Lord our God!

*Tone 2 samohlasen*

*Cantor*

There - fore I think of you from the country of Jordan and Mount Her-mon.  
 The waters saw you, O God; the wa-ters saw you and trem - bled.

**Sticheron** - *Tone 2 samohlasen*

When he saw the Lord of Glo-ry draw - ing near to him, the Fore-run-ner  
 cried a - loud at the sight: Be - hold, here comes the Savior who lifts the world  
 from cor - rup - tion! Be - hold, the One who deliv-ers us from af - flic - tion!  
 Be - hold, the One who has come upon earth, born of a spot - less Vir - gin,



to grant us the remission of sins in his love! From the slaves that we are, he  
 makes us sons of God! He makes man-kind a-rise from the dark-ness  
 in or-der to illuminate it through his di-vine Bap-tism! Come, then, to-geth-er  
 let us glo-ri-fy him with the Fa-ther and the Ho-ly Spir-it.

*Tone 5 samohlasen*

*Cantor*

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.

**Theotokion - Tone 5 samohlasen**

With your hand, you have touched the head of the Mas-ter! And with that hand,  
 you have shown him to us as our Sav-ior. O Bap-tist, stretch that hand  
 out before him in pray'r on our be-half, for you have great boldness in his pres-ence.

For he bore witness to you as the great-est of the proph - ets.

With your eyes you saw the Ho - ly Spir - it de - scend up - on him in the form

of a dove. Lift those same eyes to him, O Bap - tist,

that he might be mer - ci - ful to us. Come and stand a - mong us, *Full prostration*

come and stand a - mong us, come and stand a - mong us, *Full prostration*

set - ting the seal up - on our hymns and be - gin - ning our feast!

**Prokeimenon, Tone 3 (Psalm 26:1)**

The Lord is my light and my help; whom shall I fear?

Whom shall I fear?

*Verse:* The Lord is the stronghold of my life; before whom shall I shrink?

**Kontakion of the Vigil - Tone 4**



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