



# Royal Hours of Theophany - First Hour

## Troparia



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## Troparion of the Vigil - Tone 4




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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

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

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,

come and stand a - mong us, come and stand a - mong us,

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?

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**

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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.

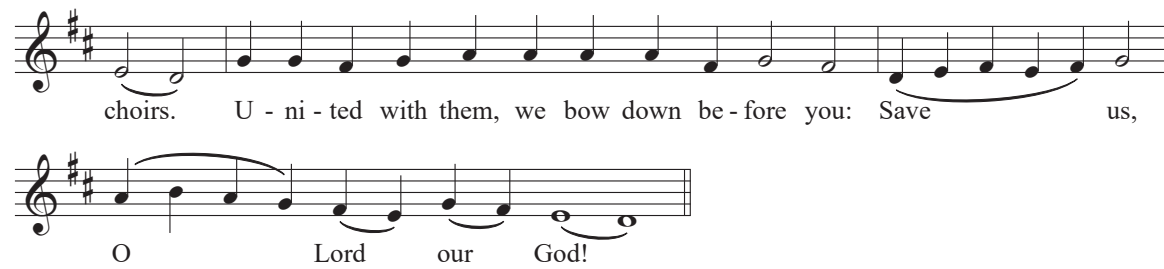
*Tone 5 samohlasen*

*Cantor*

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**Theotokion - Tone 5 samohlasen**

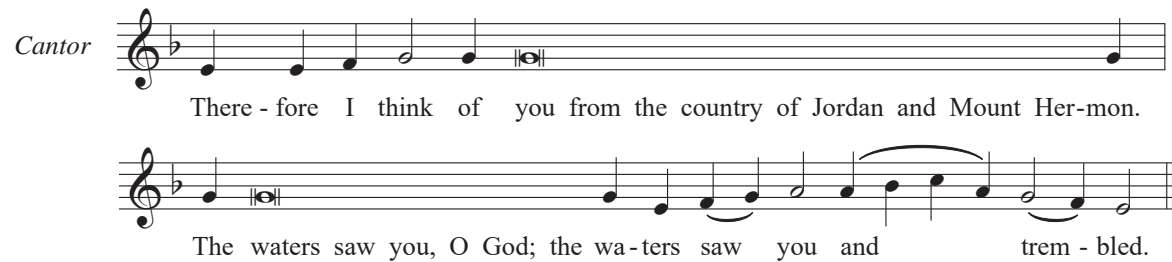
With your hand, you have touched the head of the Mas - ter! And with that hand,  
 you have shown him to us as our Sav - ior. O Bap - tist, stretch that hand  
 out before him in pray'r on our be-half, for you have great boldness in his pres-ence.



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

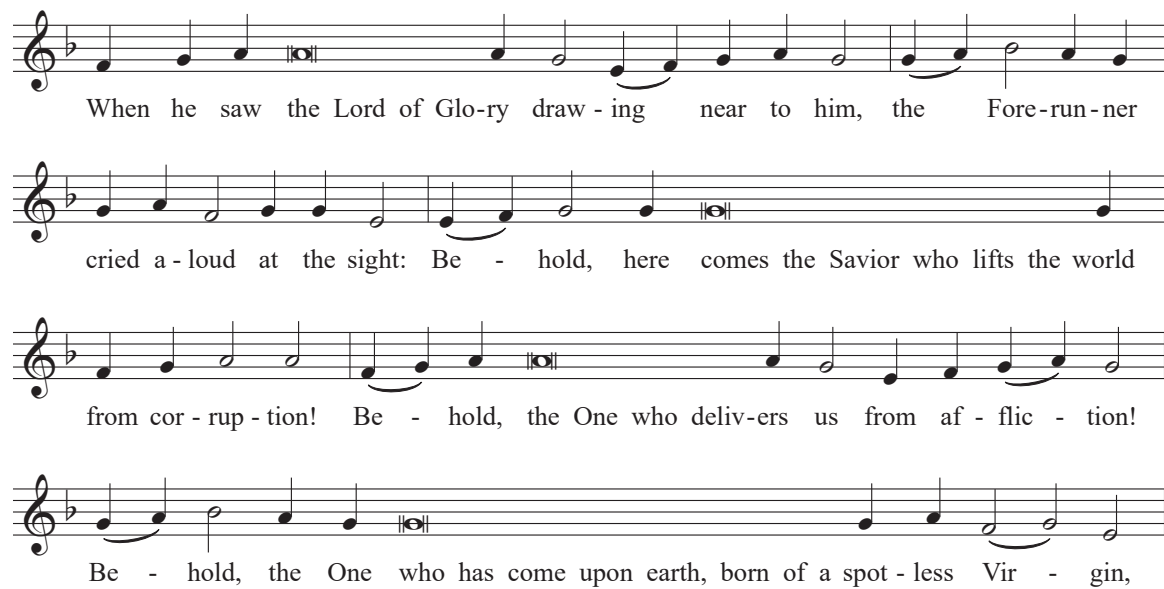
*Tone 2 samohlasen*

*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,

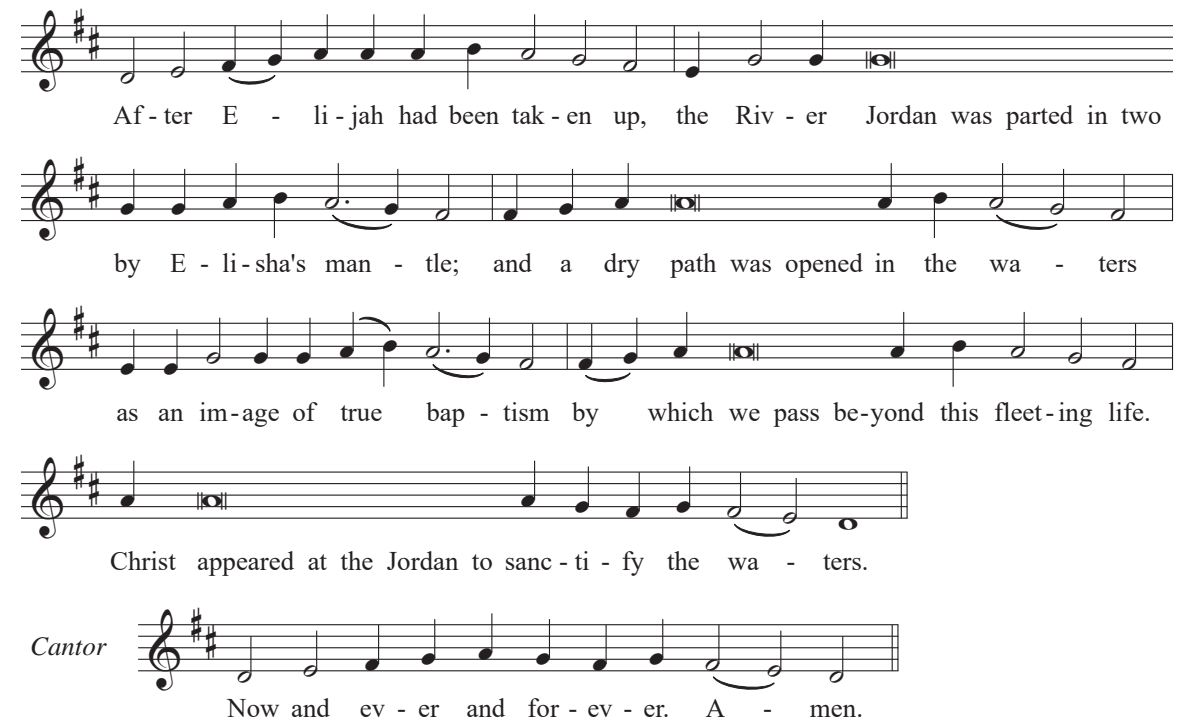
**Royal Hours of Theophany - Third Hour**

**Troparia**



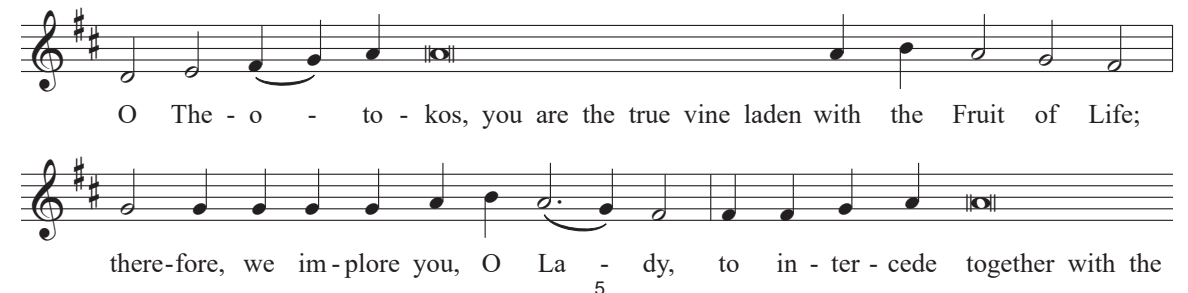
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*Cantor*  
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**Theotokion of the Third Hour - Tone 4**



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 -

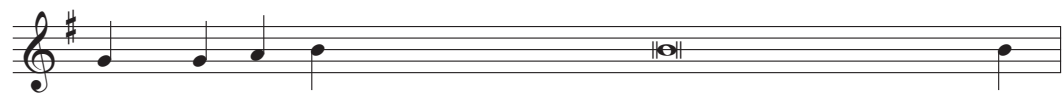


are able to sanctify and en - light - en me! For you, O Lord, are the life, the light,



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.



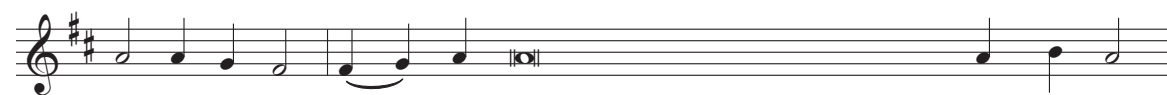
cross, O Good One. You con-querred Death by death and through your re-sur-rec - tion,



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



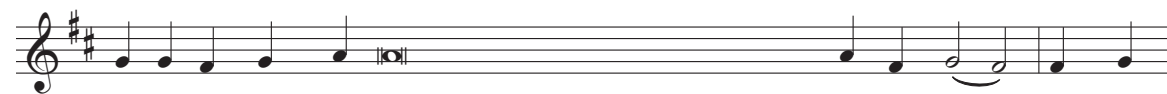
Mer-ci - ful One. Ac - cept the intercession which the Theotokos makes in our



be - half. O our Savior, save a de-spair - ing peo - ple.

### Stichera

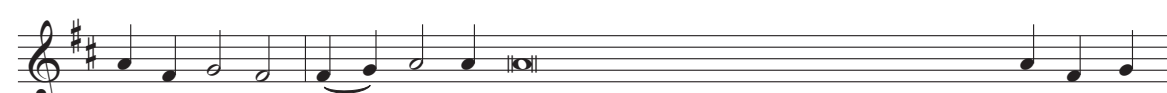
#### Stichera of the ninth Royal Hour of Theophany - Tone 7 samohlasen



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


# Royal Hours of Theophany - Ninth Hour

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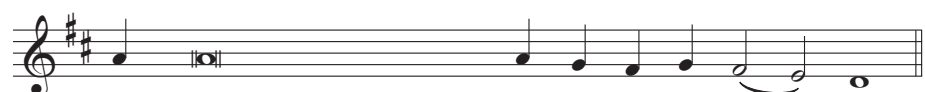
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Christ ap - peared at the Jordan to sanc - ti - fy the wa - ters.



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

### Sticheron - Tone 4 samohlasen



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



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

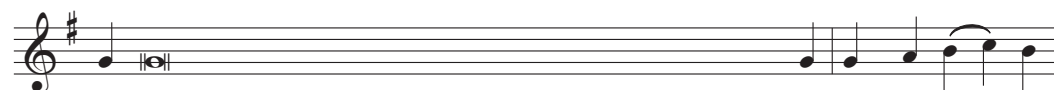


heaven in the form of a dove; the Son bows his spotless head be - fore the Bap - tist;



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

### Tone 5 samohlasen

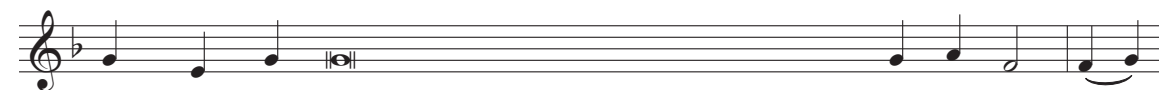
Cantor 

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### 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:  
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cre - a - ted.

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

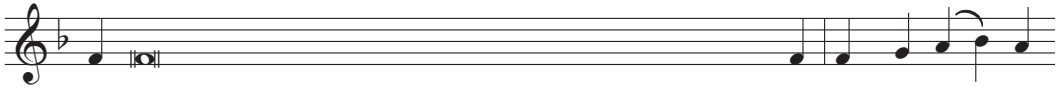
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**Doxastikon - Tone 5 samohlasen**



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


# Royal Hours of Theophany - Sixth Hour

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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.