

"Lord I Call..." – Tone 2

Lord, I call upon You, hear me!  
Hear me, O Lord!  
Lord, I call upon You, hear me!  
Receive the voice of my prayer,  
when I call upon You!  
Hear me, O Lord!

Let my prayer arise  
in Your sight as incense,  
and let the lifting up of my hands  
be an evening sacrifice!  
Hear me, O Lord!

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up of my hands be an evening sacrifice. Hear me, O Lord.

Reader: (Reads text from service book)

v. (10) Bring my soul out of prison, that I may give thanks to Your name!

**Tone 2**

(for the Resurrection)

Come, let us worship the Word of God  
begotten of the Father before all ages,  
and incarnate of the Virgin Mary!  
Having endured the Cross,  
He was buried as He himself desired.//  
And having risen from the dead, He saved me, an erring man.

Come, let us worship the Word of God begotten of the Father before all a - ges,

and in - car - nate of the Vir - gin Ma - ry! Having en - dured the Cross

He was buried as He Him - self de - sired!

And, having risen from the dead, He saved me an err - ing man.

v. (9) The righteous will surround me; for You will deal bountifully with me.

Christ our Savior  
nailed to the Cross the bond against us,  
He voided it and destroyed the dominion of death.//  
We fall down before His Resurrection on the third day.

Christ our Sa - viour nailed to the Cross the bond a - gainst us,

He void - ed it and destroyed the do - min - ion of death!

We fall down before His Resurrection on the third \_\_\_ day!

*v. (8) Out of the depths I cry to You, O Lord. Lord, hear my voice!*

With the Archangels  
 let us praise the Resurrection of Christ!  
He is our Savior, our Redeemer.  
 He is coming with awesome glory and mighty power//  
 to judge the world which He made.

With the arch - an - gels let us praise the resur - rec - tion of Christ!

He is our Sa - viour, our Re - deem - er! He is coming with awesome glory

and mighty po - wer to judge the world which He made!

*v. (7) Let Your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!*

The Angel proclaimed You  
 the crucified and buried Master.  
 He told the women: "Come, see the place where He lay!  
 He is risen as He said,  
 for He is almighty."  
 We worship You, O only immortal One.//  
 Have mercy on us O Christ, the Giver of life!

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see the place where He lay! He is ri - sen as He said

for He is Al-migh - ty." We wor - ship You, O only Im - mor - tal One.

Have mercy on us, O Christ, the Gi - ver of life.

*v. (6) In the First Tone, If You, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with You.*

**Tone 1**

*(from the Lenten Triodion)*

Rich and fertile was the earth allot - ted to us,  
but all we planted were the seeds of sin.

We reaped the sheaves of evil with the sickle of laziness;  
we failed to place them on the threshing floor of sorrow.

Now we beg You, O Lord, eternal Master of the harvest:

"May your love become the breeze to winnow the straw of our worthless deeds!

Make us like the precious wheat to be stored in heaven,//  
and save us all!"

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but all we plan - ted were the seeds of sin.

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we failed to place them on the thresh - ing floor of sor - row.

Now we beg You, O Lord, e - ter - nal Master of the har - vest:

May your love be - come the breeze to win - now the straw of our worth - less deeds!

Make us like the precious wheat to be stored in heaven, and save us all!

*v. (5) For Your name's sake I have waited for You, O Lord, my soul has waited for Your word;  
my soul has hoped on the Lord.*

Rich and fertile was the earth allotted to us,  
but all we planted were the seeds of sin.  
We reaped the sheaves of evil with the sickle of laziness;  
we failed to place them on the threshing floor of sorrow.  
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May your love be - come the breeze to win - now the straw of our worth - less deeds!

Make us like the prec - ious wheat to be stored in hea - ven, and save us all!

*v. (4) From the morning watch until night, from the morning watch, let Israel hope on the Lord!*

Brothers, our purpose is to know the power of God's goodness.

For when the Prodigal Son abandoned his sin,  
he hastened to the refuge of his father.

That good man embraced him and welcomed him;  
he killed the fatted calf and celebrated with heavenly joy.

Let us learn from this example  
to offer thanks to the Father, Who loves all men, //  
and to the glorious Victim, the Savior of our souls!

Brot - hers, our pur - pose is to know the po - wer of Gods good - ness.

For when the Pro - di - gal Son a - ban - doned his sin,

he has - tened to the ref - uge of his fa - ther.

That good man em - braced him and wel - comed him;

he killed the fat - ted calf and ce - le - bra - ted with hea - ven - ly joy.

Let us learn from this ex - amp - - le

to of - fer thanks to the Fa - ther, Who loves all men,

and to the glo - ri - ous Vic - tim, the Sa - vior of our souls!

*v. (3) In the Fourth Tone, For with the Lord there is mercy and with Him is plenteous redemption, and He will deliver Israel from all his iniquities.*

**Tone 4**

*(for the Feast)*

*(You have given us a sign)*

In fulfillment of the written Law,  
 the Lover of mankind is now brought into the Temple.  
 And Simeon the Elder receives Him in his aged arms,

crying: "Now let me depart to the blessedness of the world beyond,  
 for today I have seen You, wrapped in mortal flesh:/  
 the Lord of life and Master over death."

In fulfillment of the writ - ten Law,  
 the Lover of mankind is now brought into the Tem - ple.  
 And Sim - e - on the Elder receives Him in his a - ged arms,  
 crying: Now let me depart to the blessedness of the world be - yond,  
 for today I have seen You, wrapped in mor - tal flesh  
 the Lord of life and Mas - ter o - ver death.

*v. (2) Praise the Lord, all nations! Praise Him, all peoples!*

As a Light to enlighten the Gentiles,  
 You have appeared, O Lord:  
 the Sun of Righteousness, seated on a light cloud,  
 bringing to completion the shadow of the Law,  
 and making manifest the beginning of the new Grace.  
 Therefore, when Simeon saw You, he cried:/  
 "Set me free from corruption, for I have seen You today!"

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the Sun of Righteousness, seated on a light cloud,  
bring - ing to completion the shad - ow of the Law,  
and making ma - ni - fest the be - gin - ning of the new Grace.  
There - fore, when Simeon saw You, he cried  
Set me free from corruption, for I have seen You to - day!

*v. (1) For His mercy is abundant towards us; and the truth of the Lord endures for ever.*

In Your Godhead You were not parted from the bosom of Your Father,  
but You had become incarnate, according to Your will,  
held in the arms of the Virgin,  
You were given into the hands of the God-receiver Simeon,  
though You hold all creation in Your hand.  
So Simeon cried out, full of joy:  
“Now let me, Your servant, depart in peace,/  
for I have seen You, O Master!”

In Your Godhead You were not parted from the bosom of Your Fa - ther,  
 but You had become incarnate, ac-cord-ing to Your will, held in the arms of the Vir-gin,  
 You were given into the hands of the God - receiver Sim - e - on,  
 though You hold all cre - a - tion in Your hand. So Simeon cried out, full of joy:  
 Now let me, Your servant, de-part in peace, for I have seen You, O Mas - ter!

*In the Second Tone, Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;*

**Tone 2**

*(from the Lenten Triodion)*

What great blessings have I forsaken, wretch that I am?  
 From what kingdom have I miserably fallen?  
 I have squandered the riches that were given me;  
 I have transgressed the commandments.  
 Woe to me when I shall be condemned to eternal fire!  
 Cry out to Christ, O my soul, before the end draws nigh://  
 "Receive me as the Prodigal, O God, and have mercy on me!"

What great bles - sings have I for - sa - ken, wretch that I am?

From what king - dom have I mise - rab - ly fal - len?

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Cry out to Christ, O my soul, be - fore the end draws nigh:

Re - ceive me as the Pro - di - gal, O God, and have mer - cy on me!

*In the Same Tone, now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.*

**Tone 2**

*(Theotokion – Dogmatikon)*

The shadow of the Law passed when grace came;  
 as the bush burned, yet was not consumed,  
 so the Virgin gave birth, yet remained a Virgin.  
 The righteous Sun has risen instead of a pillar of flame//

Instead of Moses, Christ, the Salvation of our souls.

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yet was not con - sumed. So the Vir - gin gave birth, yet remained a vir - gin!

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Instead of Moses, Christ the sal - va - tion of our souls!

*Priest:* Wisdom! Let us attend!

*Choir:* O Gladsome Light ...

### Aposticha

#### Tone 2

*(for the Resurrection)*

Your Resurrection, O Christ our Savior,  
has enlightened the whole universe,  
recalling Your creation.//  
Glory to You, O almighty Lord!

Your Resurrection, O Christ our Sa - viour, has enlightened the whole un - i - verse

re-call - ing Your cre - a - tion. Glory to You, O Al-migh - ty Lord!

*v. The Lord is King; He is robed in majesty!*

By the Tree You destroyed the curse of the Tree O Savior,  
 By Your burial You mortified the majesty of death.  
You have enlightened our race by Your Resurrection.//  
 O Giver of life, Christ our God, glory to You!

By the Tree You destroyed the curse of the tree, O Sa - viour.

By Your burial You mortified the ma - jes - ty of death. You have

enlightened our race by Your Re - sur - rec - tion. O Giver of Life, Christ

our God, - glo - ry to You.

*v. For He has established the world, so that it shall never be moved.*

When You were seen nailed to the Cross, O Christ,  
 You restored the beauty of Your creatures.  
 The soldiers showed their inhumanity when they pierced Your side with a spear.  
 The Hebrews not knowing Your power  
 asked that Your tomb might be sealed,  
 but through the mercy of Your compassions,

You accepted the tomb  
 and rose on the third day!!  
 O Lord, glory to You!

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 You ac - cept - ed the tomb and rose on the third day. O Lord, glo - ry to You!

*v. Holiness befits Your house, O Lord, forevermore!*

O Christ, the Giver of life,  
 for the sake of the dead You voluntarily endured death,  
descending into Hades as the Mighty One  
 to save those who awaited Your coming,  
 granting him the life of paradise instead of hell.  
 Grant also to us who glorify Your Resurrection on the third day!!  
 cleansing of our sins and great mercy!

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to save those who awaited Your com - ing, granting Him the life of paradise  
in - stead of hell, grant also to us who glorify Your Resurrection on the  
third day cleansing of our sin and great mer - - - - cy.

*In the Sixth Tone, Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;*

**Tone 6**

*(from the Lenten Triodion)*

I, a wretched man, hide my face in shame:  
I have squandered the riches my Father gave to me;  
I went to live with senseless beasts;  
I sought their food and hungered, for I had not enough to eat.  
I will arise, I will return to my compassionate Father;  
He will accept my tears, as I kneel before Him, crying://  
“In Your tender love for all men, receive me as one of Your servants and save me!”

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I have squandered the riches my Father gave to me; I went to live with senseless beasts;

I sought their food and hun - gered, for I had not e - nough to eat.

I will a - rise, I will re - turn to my com - pas - sion - ate Fa - ther;

He will ac - cept my tears, as I kneel before Him, cry - ing:

In Your ten - der love for all men, re - ceive me as one of Your ser - vants and save me!

*In the Second Tone, now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.*

**Tone 2**

*(for the Feast, by Germanus or John the Monk)*

The holy Virgin brought the Holy One to the priest in the sacred Temple.

Simeon, extending his arms, received Him with joy, and cried out:

"Now, Master, let your servant depart in peace, //

according to Your word, O Lord!"

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Sim - e - on, ex - tend - ing his arms, re - ceived Him with joy, and cried out:  
Now, Mas-ter, let your ser-vant de-part in peace, ac-cor-ding to Your word, O Lord!

St. Symeon's Prayer

(at Great Vespers)

Tone 2

Troparion

(Resurrection)

Resurrectional Troparion – Tone 2

When You descended to death, O Life Immortal,  
You slew Hades with the splendor of Your Godhead.  
And when from the depths You raised the dead,  
all the powers of heaven cried out://  
"O Giver of life, Christ our God, glory to You!"

When You descended to death, O Life Im - mor - - - tal,  
You slew Hades with the splendour of Your God - head! And when from the depths

You raised the dead, all the powers of heaven cried out:

O Giver of Life! Christ our God, glory to You!

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.*

**Tone 1**

**Troparion**

*(The Meeting of our Lord in the Temple)*

*Festal Troparion – Tone 2*

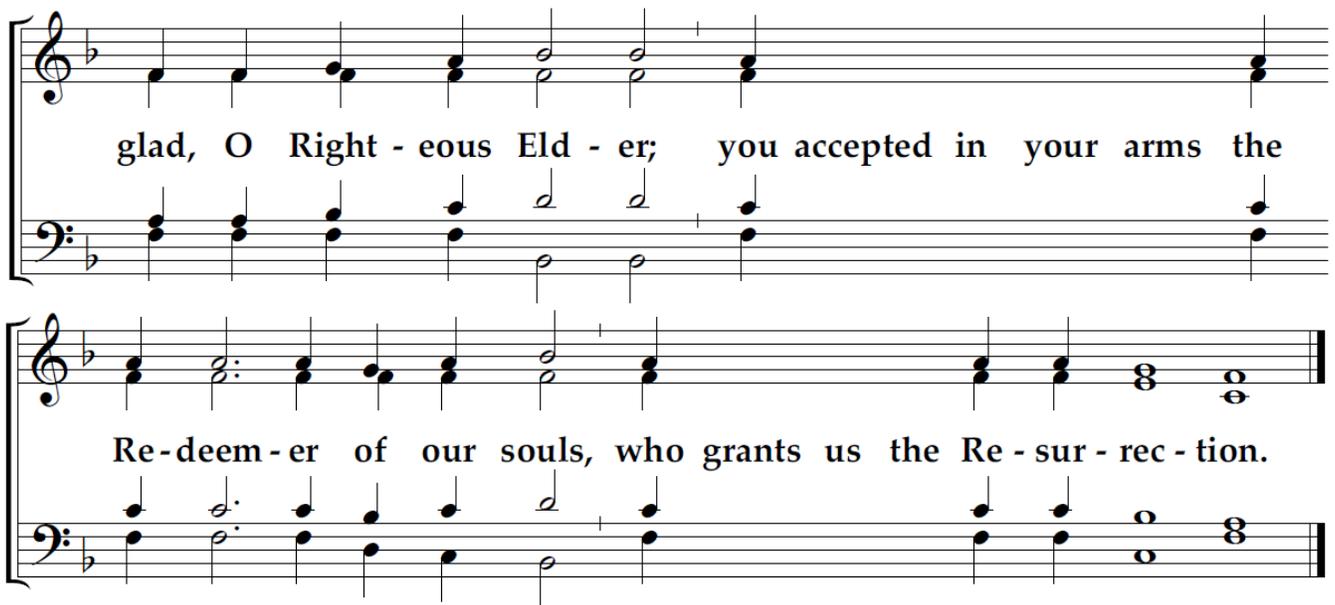
Rejoice, O Virgin Theotokos, Full of Grace!  
 From you shone the Sun of Righteousness, ^Christ our God,  
 enlightening those who sat in darkness.  
 Rejoice and be glad, O righteous Elder,  
 you accepted in your arms the ^Redeemer of our souls,  
 Who grants us the Resurrection!

Soprano  
Alto  
Tenor  
Bass

Re - joice, O Vir - gin The - o - to - kos, Full of Grace!

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enlightening those who sat in dark - ness! Re - joice and be



glad, O Right - eous Eld - er; you accepted in your arms the  
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then, St. Simeon's Prayer

(at the Divine Liturgy)

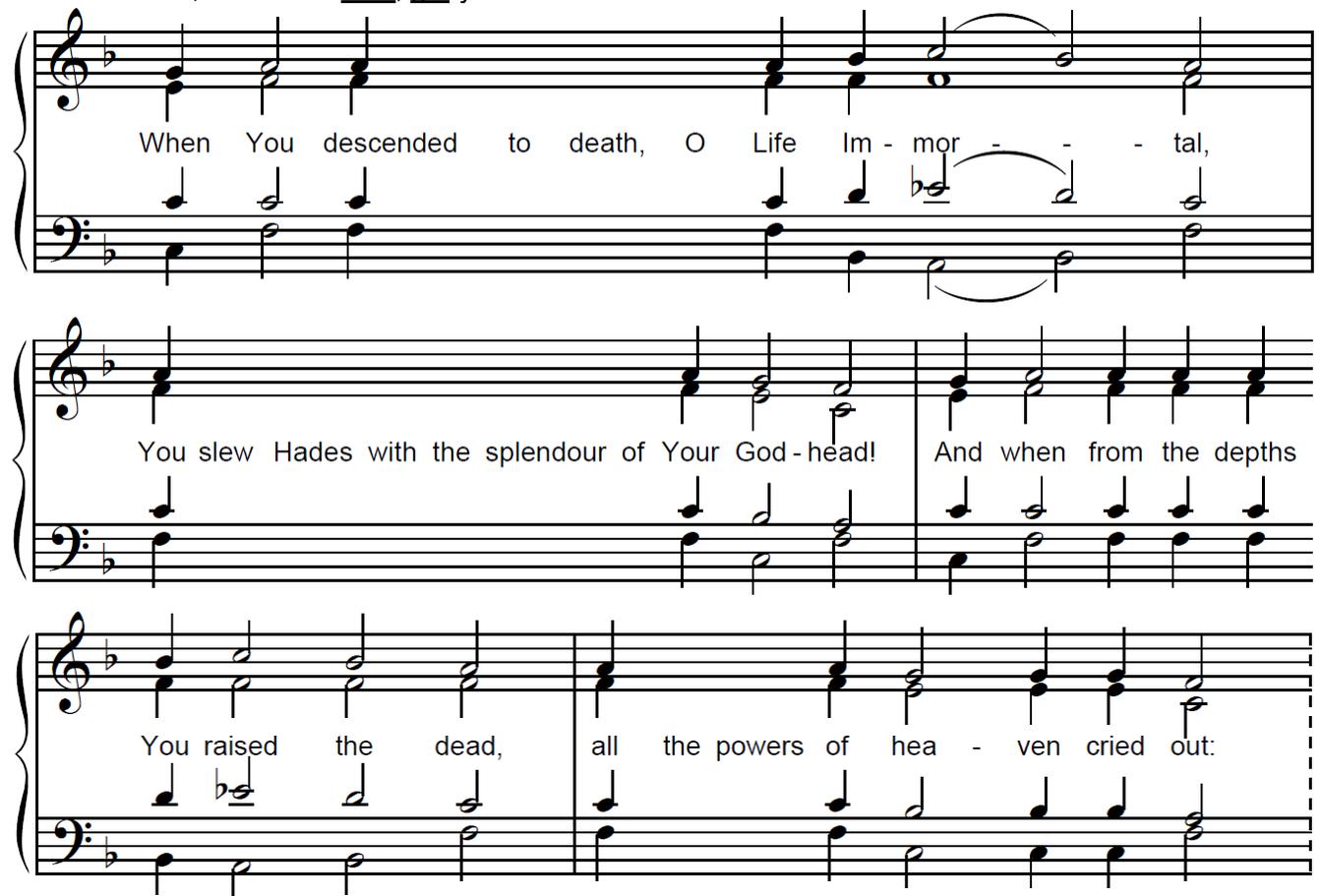
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O Giver of Life! Christ our God, glo - ry to You!

**Tone 1**

**Troparion**

*(The Meeting of our Lord in the Temple)*

*Festal Troparion – Tone 2*

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 Who grants us the Resurrection!

Soprano  
Alto  
Tenor  
Bass

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From you shone the Sun of Right - eous - ness, Christ our God,

enlightening those who sat in dark - ness! Re - joice and be

glad, O Right - eous Eld - er; you accepted in your arms the

Re-deem-er of our souls, who grants us the Re-sur-rec-tion.

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,*

**Tone 3**

**Kontakion**

*(from the Lenten Triodion)*

*Kontakion from the Triodion – Tone 3*

I have recklessly forgotten Your glory, O Father;  
and among sinners I have scattered the riches which You gave me.

And now I cry to You as the Prodigal:

“I have sinned before You, O merciful Father;  
receive me a penitent,  
and make me as one of Your hired servants!”

Soprano  
Alto

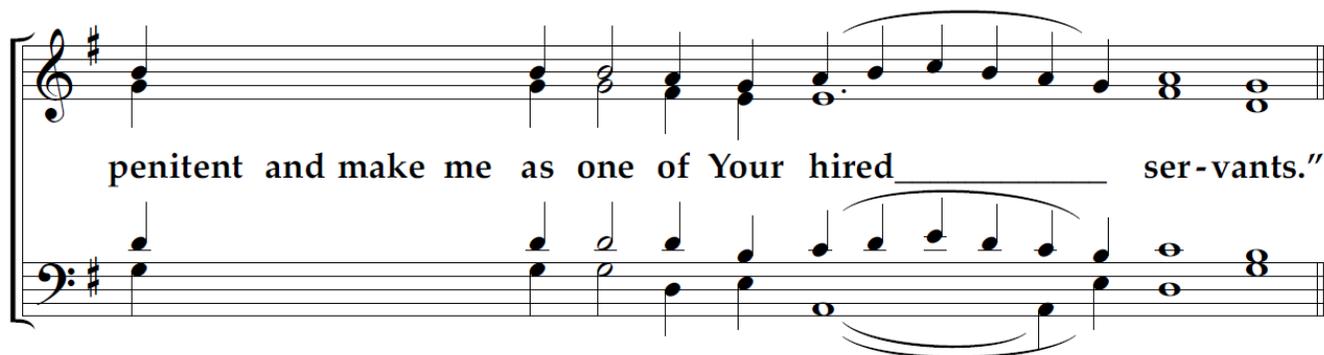
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Tenor  
Bass

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**Tone 1**

**Kontakion**

*(The Meeting of our Lord in the Temple)*

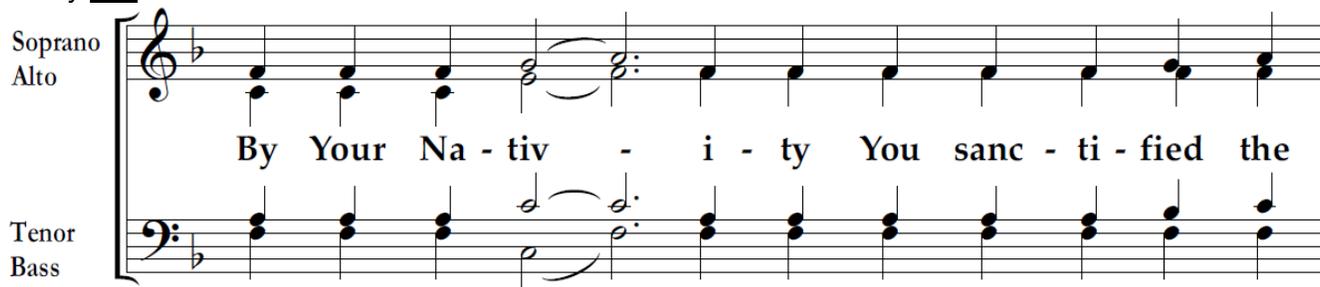
*Festal Kontakion – Tone 1*

By Your Nativity You sanctified the Virgin's womb  
and blessed Simeon's hands, <sup>^</sup>O Christ God.

Now You have come and saved us through love.

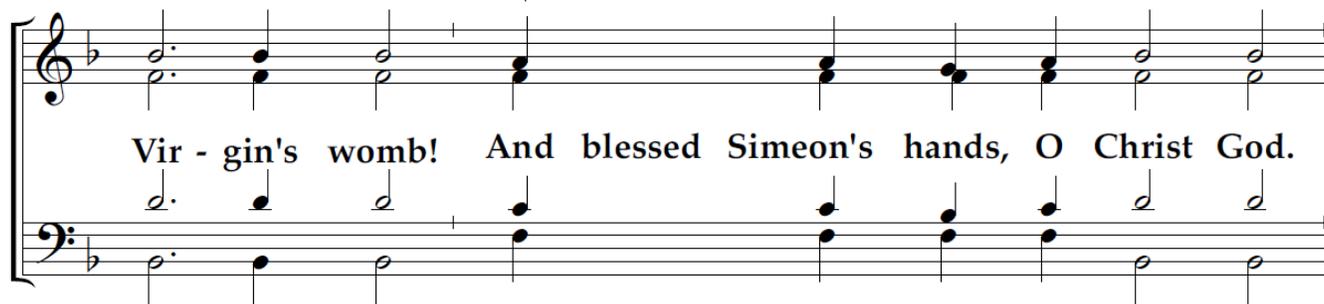
Grant peace to all Orthodox Christians,

O only Lover of Man!



Soprano  
Alto  
By Your Na - tiv - i - ty You sanc - ti - fied the

Tenor  
Bass  
Vir - gin's womb! And blessed Simeon's hands, O Christ God.



Now You have come and saved us through love. Grant peace

to all Or - tho - dox Chris - tians, O only Lov - er of Man!

**Tone 2 Prokeimenon**

Priest: Let us attend! +Peace be unto all!

Reader: And with your spirit!

Priest: Wisdom!

Prokeimenon, Tone 2

Reader: The Prokeimenon, in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tone: The Lord is my strength and my song; He has become my salvation.

Choir: The Lord is my strength and my song; He has become my salvation, my salvation.

The Lord is my strength and my song. He has be - come my

sal - va - tion, my sal - va - tion.

Reader: The Lord has chastened me sorely, but He has not given me over to death.

Choir: The Lord is my strength and my song; He has become my salvation, my salvation.

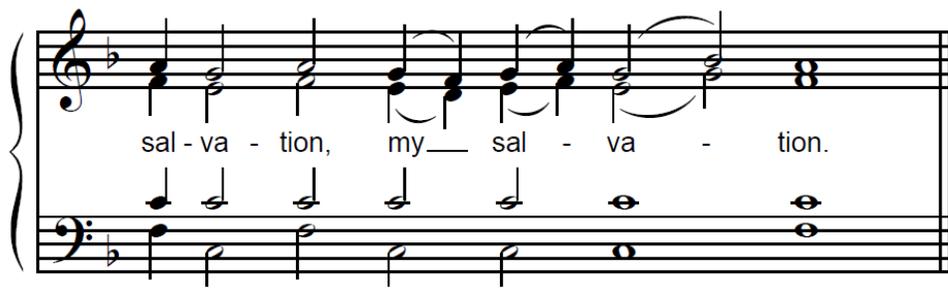
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sal - va - tion, my sal - va - tion.

Reader: The Lord is my strength and my song ...

Choir: ... He has become my salvation, my salvation.

He has be - come my



Deacon: Wisdom!

### Epistle

(135) – 1 Corinthians 6:12-20

Reader: The Reading from the First Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Corinthians.

Deacon: Let us attend!

Reader: Brothers and sisters, You say: “All things are lawful for me,” but not all things are beneficial. “All things are lawful for me,” but I will not be brought under the power of anything. “Food is for the stomach, and the stomach is for food,” but God will bring to nothing both of these. However, the body is not for sexual immorality, but for the Lord; and the Lord is made for the body. Now God raised up the Lord, and he will also raise us up by his power. Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Shall I then take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? May it never be! Or do you not know that whoever is joined to a prostitute is one body? For God says, “The two will become one flesh.” But whoever who is joined to the Lord is one spirit. Flee sexual immorality! “Every sin that a person can do is outside the body,” but whoever commits sexual immorality sins against his own body. Or do you not know that your body is a sanctuary of the Holy Spirit which dwells in you, and which you have from God? You are not your own! You were bought with a price! Therefore, glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which belong to God.

Priest: † Peace be to you.

### Tone 2

Alleluia: Tone 2

Reader: **And to Your spirit.** In the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tone: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Choir: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Reader: May the Lord hear you in the day of trouble! May the name of the God of Jacob protect you!

Choir: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Reader: Save the King, O Lord, and hear us on the day we call!

Choir: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

### Gospel

(79) – Luke 15:11-32

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Priest: The reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. **Luke**.

Choir: Glory to You O Lord, Glory to You.

Priest: The Lord said this parable, “A certain man had two sons. The younger of them said to his father, ‘Father, give me the share of the estate that will come to me.’ So the father divided his livelihood between them. A few days later, the younger son gathered all that he had and traveled to a far country. There, he squandered his property, living immorally. When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place in that country, and he began to be in need. He went and hired himself to one of the citizens of that country who sent him into his fields to feed pigs. He wanted to feed himself with the husks that the pigs ate, but no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself, he said, ‘How many of my father’s hired servants have bread enough to spare, and I am dying with hunger! I will get up, go to my father, and tell him, “Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son! Make me as one of your hired servants.”’

So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still at a distance, his father saw him and was moved with compassion. He ran, and embraced his son, and kissed him. Then the son said, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you! I am no longer worthy to be called your son.’

But the father said to his slaves, 'Bring out the first robe and put it on him! Put a ring on his hand and shoes on his feet! Bring the fattened calf, kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; for this, my son, was dead, and he is alive again! He was lost and now he is found!' And they began to celebrate.

Now his elder son was in the field. As he came near to the house, he heard music and dancing. Calling one of the servants, he asked what was going on. The servant replied, 'Your brother has returned! Your father has killed the fattened calf, because he has received him back safe and healthy.'

However, the elder son became angry and he would not go in. Therefore, his father came out and begged him. But he answered his father, 'Look, for so many years I have served you, and I have never disobeyed a commandment of yours. Yet, you never gave me a goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this, your son, arrived, he who has devoured your living with prostitutes, you killed the fattened calf for him.'

The father said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours! But it was fitting to celebrate and to rejoice, for this, your brother, was dead, and is alive again. He was lost and is found!'"

*Choir:* Glory to You O Lord, Glory to You.

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**(Instead of "It is truly meet ...," we sing:)**

**Tone 3**

O Virgin Theotokos, hope of all Christians,  
protect, preserve, and save those who hope in you!

We faithful saw the figure in the shadow of the law and the scriptures:  
every male child that opens the womb is holy to God.

Therefore we also magnify the first begotten Son of the unoriginate Father //  
the firstborn Son of an unwedded Mother.

O Virgin Theotokos, hope of all Christ-ians! Pro-tect, pre-serve, and save those who hope in you!

We faithful saw the figure in the shadow of the law and the scrip - tures:

e - v'ry male child that opened the womb was ho - ly to God.

There-fore we also magnify the first begotten Son of the un-o-ri-gi-nate, Fa-ther,

the first-born Son of the un-wed-ded Moth-er!

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### Communion Hymns

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! I will receive the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!