

"Lord I Call ..." – Tone 1

Reader: In the First Tone, Lord, I call upon You, hear me!

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!//

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Reader: (Reads text from service book)

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

Tone 1

(for the Resurrection)

Accept our evening prayers, O holy Lord!

Grant us remission of sins,//

for You alone have manifested the Resurrection to the world.

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

Encircle Zion
And surround her, O people!
Give glory in her to the One Who rose from the dead!//
For He is our God,
Who has delivered us from our transgressions!

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

Come, O people,
Let us hymn and fall down before Christ,
 glorifying His Resurrection from the dead!//
 For He is our God,
 Who has delivered the world from the Enemy's deceit!

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

Be glad, O heavens!
 Sound trumpets, O foundations of the earth!
Sing in gladness, O mountains!
 Behold Emmanuel has nailed our sins to the Cross!
 Granting life, He has slain death.//
 He has resurrected Adam as the Lover of Man.

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

Tone 6

(from the Menaion, for the Feast)

(Having placed all hope)

Revealing to you the pre-eternal counsel,
 Gabriel came and stood before you, O Maiden,
 and greeting you, he said:
 "Rejoice, earth that has not been sown!
 Rejoice, burning bush that remains unconsumed!
 Rejoice, unsearchable depth!
 Rejoice, bridge that leads to Heaven!
 Rejoice, ladder raised on high that Jacob saw!
 Rejoice, divine jar of manna!
 Rejoice, deliverance from the curse!
 Rejoice, restoration of Adam;//
 the Lord is with you!"

Soprano
Alto

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Bass

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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.

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

"You appear to me in the form of a man,"
said the undefiled Maid to the chief of the Heavenly Hosts.
"How then do you speak to me of things that pass man's power?
You have said that God shall be with me
and shall take up His dwelling in my womb.
How shall I become the spacious habitation
and the holy place of Him Who rides upon the Cherubim?
Do not deceive me with trickery;
for I have not known pleasure,
I have not entered into wedlock.//
How then shall I bear a Child?"

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

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

Then the bodiless Angel replied:

"When God so wills, the order of nature is overcome,
 and what is beyond man comes to pass.

Believe that my sayings are true,
 O all-holy and immaculate Lady!"

And she cried aloud:

"Let it be to me according to your word,
 and I shall bear Him Who is without flesh!

He shall borrow flesh from me,
 that through this mingling

He may lead mankind up to its ancient glory,//
for He alone has power so to do.”

Soprano
Alto

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

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

Tone 6*(for the Feast, by John the Monk)*

The Archangel Gabriel was sent from heaven,
to announce to the Virgin the good news of her conceiving.
And coming to Nazareth, he was filled with wonder at the miracle,
and reasoned within himself:
“How is it that He Who dwells on high,
Whom none can comprehend, is to be born of a Virgin?
How is He, Whose throne is Heaven and Whose footstool is the earth,
to be contained in the womb of a woman?
He upon Whom the six-winged Seraphim and the many-eyed Cherubim
are not able to gaze
is well-pleased to be made flesh from her at a single word.
It is the Word of God Who is to come.
Why then do I hesitate, and not say to the Maiden:
‘Rejoice, O Lady, full of grace, the Lord is with you!
Rejoice, pure Virgin!
Rejoice, Bride without Bridegroom!
Rejoice, Mother of the Life!//
Blessed is the Fruit of your womb!’”

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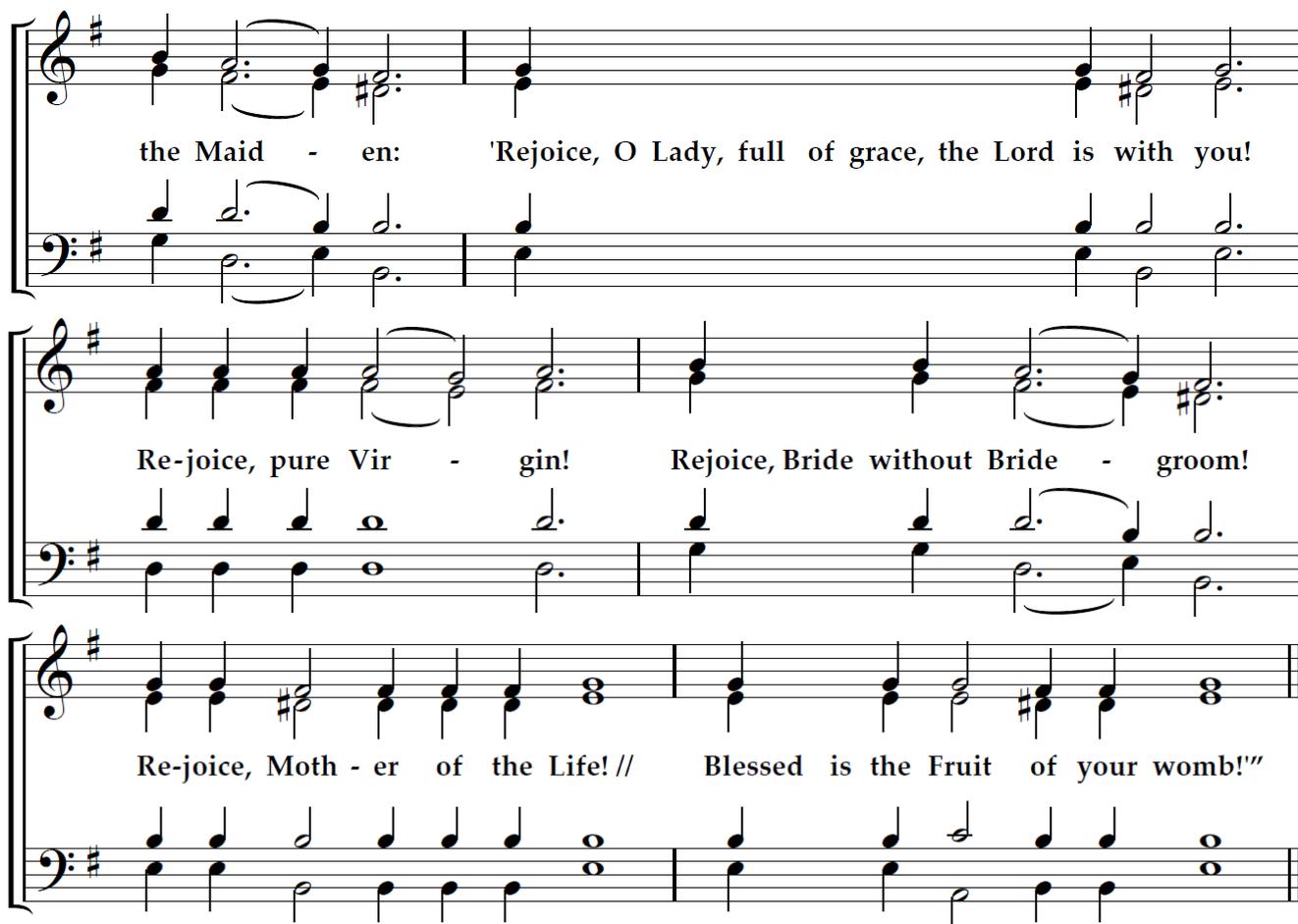
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Re-joyce, pure Vir - gin! Rejoice, Bride without Bride - groom!

Re-joyce, Moth - er of the Life!// Blessed is the Fruit of your womb!"

Priest: Wisdom! Let us attend!

Choir: O Gladsome Light ...

Reading from Genesis (28:10-17) (Annunciation)

First Deacon: Wisdom!

Reader: The reading from the first book of Moses, called Genesis. (28:10-17)

First Deacon: Let us attend!

The Holy Doors are closed.

Reader: Jacob went out from the well of the oath and journeyed towards Harran. And he lighted on a place and slept there, for the sun had set. And he took one of the stones of the place and put it at his head; and he slept in that place, and he dreamed. And behold, a ladder set up on the earth, whose head reached to heaven; and the Angels of God were going up and going down upon it. But the Lord stood above it and said: I am the God of Abraham your father, and the God of Isaac, do not be afraid. The land on which you are sleeping I shall give to you and to your seed. And your seed shall be like the sand of the earth, and it shall be spread abroad to the Sea and Liva and North and East; and in you and in your seed all the tribes of the earth shall be blessed. And behold, I am with you, guarding you on every road on which you may journey; and I shall bring you back again to this land, because I shall never abandon you until I have done all that I have said to you. And Jacob arose from his sleep and said: The Lord is in this place, but I did not know it. And he was afraid, and said: How fearful is this place . This is none other than the house of God, this is the gate of heaven.

Reading from Ezekiel (43:27-44:4) (Annunciation)

Priest: Wisdom!

Reader: The reading from the Prophecy of Ezekiel. (Ezekiel 43:72, 44:1-4)

Priest: Let us attend!

Reader: Thus says the Lord: It shall be from the eighth day and upwards, the Priests shall make your holocausts upon the altar, and those for your salvation; and I shall accept you, says the Lord. And he turned me back by the way of the outer gate of the Holy Place, which looks towards the east, and it was shut. And the Lord said to me: This gate shall be shut, it shall not be opened, and no one shall pass through it, because the Lord, the God of Israel, will enter through it, and it shall be shut. Therefore this

prince shall sit in it to eat bread. By the way of the Elam of the gate he shall enter, and by that way he shall go out. And he brought me by the way of the gate towards the North, opposite the House; and I saw, and behold the whole house of the Lord was full of glory.

Reading from Proverbs (9:1-11) (Annunciation)

Priest: Wisdom!

Reader: The reading from the Proverbs of Solomon. (*Proverbs 9:1-11*)

Priest: Let us attend!

Reader: Wisdom has built herself a house. She has slaughtered her beasts and mixed her wine in the mixing bowl, and prepared her table. She her sent out her servants, to invite with a loud proclamation upon the mixing bowl: Whoever is foolish, let him turn to me. And to those who lack wisdom she said: Come, eat my bread, and drink the wine that I have mixed for you. Abandon folly, and you shall live; and seek understanding that you may have life, and set aright your understanding with knowledge. One who corrects the wicked shall gain dishonor for himself. One who rebukes the impious shall get blame for himself; for to the impious rebukes are blows. Do not rebuke the wicked, lest they hate you. Rebuke a wise man and he shall love you. Give instruction to a wise man and he shall be wiser; teach a righteous man and he shall increase learning. The beginning of wisdom is the fear of the Lord, and the counsel of Saints, understanding. While to know the law is the part of a good mind. For by this means you shall live for a long time, and years shall be added to your life.

Reading from Exodus (3:1-8) (Theotokos)

Priest: Wisdom!

Reader: The reading from the Second Book of Moses called Exodus. (*Exodus 3:1-8*)

Priest: Let us attend!

Now Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law, Jethro, the priest of Midian, and he led his flock to the west side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. And the angel of the LORD appeared to him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush. He looked, and behold, the bush was burning, yet it was not consumed. And Moses said, "I will turn aside to see this great sight, why the bush is not burned." When the LORD saw that he turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Then he said, "Do not come near; take your sandals off your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." And he said, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God. Then the LORD said, "I have surely seen the affliction of my people who are in Egypt and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters. I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the place of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites.

Reading from Proverbs (8:22-30) (Theotokos)

Priest: Wisdom!

Reader: The reading from the Proverbs of Solomon. (*Proverbs 8:22-30*)

Priest: Let us attend!

"The LORD possessed me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of old. Ages ago I was set up, at the first, before the beginning of the earth. When there were no depths I was brought forth, when there were no springs abounding with water. Before the mountains had been shaped, before the hills, I was brought forth, before he had made the earth with its fields, or the first of the dust of the world. When he established the heavens, I was there; when he drew a circle on the face of the deep, when he made firm the skies above, when he established the fountains of the deep, when he assigned to the sea its limit, so that the waters might not transgress his command, when he marked out the foundations of the earth, then I was beside him, like a master workman, and I was daily his delight, rejoicing before him always.

Then, the Augmented Litany

Aposticha – Tone 1

We have been freed from sufferings
by Your suffering, O Christ.
We have been delivered from corruption
by Your Resurrection.//
O Lord, glory to You!

We have been freed from suf - fer - ings by Your suf - fer - ing, O Christ.

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sur - rec - tion. O Lord, glo - ry to You.

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

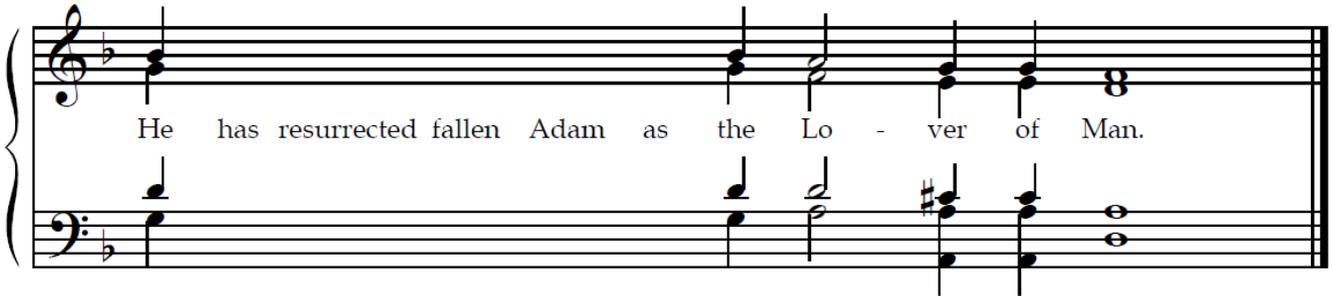
Let creation rejoice!
 Let the heavens be glad!
 Let the nations clap their hands with gladness,
 for Christ our Savior has nailed our sins to the Cross.
 Slaying death, He has given life.//
 He has resurrected fallen Adam as the Lover of Man.

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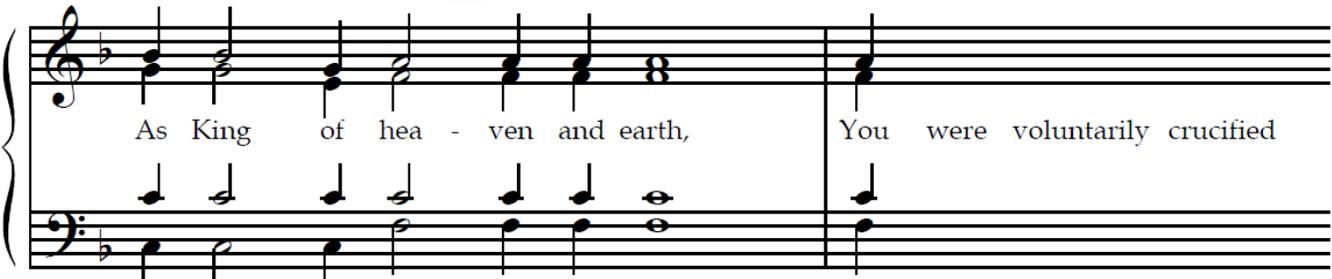
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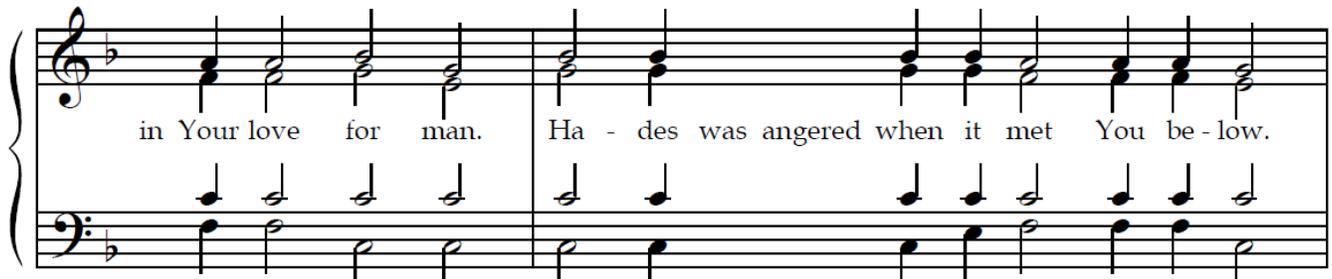
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v. For He has established the world, so that it shall never be moved.

As King of heaven and earth,
 You were voluntarily crucified in Your love for man.
Hades was angered when it met You below.
 Adam rose seeing You, the Cre-ator, un-der the earth.
O Wonder!
 How has the Life of All tasted death?
 You enlightened the world which cries://
 "O Lord, Who rose from the dead, glory to You!"



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O Lord, Who rose from the dead, glo - ry to You!

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

The myrrhbearing women came with haste to Your tomb,
 bearing myrrh and lamentations.
 Not finding Your most pure body,
 they learned from the angel of the new and glorious wonder.
 They told the Apostles://
 "The Lord is risen, granting the world great mercy."

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

Tone 4 *(for the Annunciation, by Andrew of Jerusalem)*

Today the good tidings of joy are proclaimed,
 today is the festival of the Virgin;
 things below are joined together with things on high.
 Adam is made new;
 Eve is freed from the primal grief;
 and by the deification of the human nature that the Lord assumed,
 the tabernacle of our substance has become a temple of God.
Oh, what a mystery!
 The manner of His emptying cannot be known;
 the manner of His conception is beyond speech.
 An Angel ministers at the miracle; a virginal womb receives the Son;
 the Holy Spirit is sent down; the Father on high is well pleased,
 and according to their common counsel, a reconciliation is brought to pass
 in which and through which we are saved.
 For this reason let us unite our song with Gabriel's,
 crying aloud to the Virgin:
 "Rejoice, O Lady full of grace, the Lord is with you!
 From you is our salvation, Christ our God,
 Who, by assuming our nature, has led us back to Himself.//
 Humbly pray to Him for the salvation of our souls!"

Soprano
Alto

Tenor
Bass

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our sal - va - tion, Christ our God, Who, by assuming our nature, has led

us back to Him self. // Humbly pray to Him for the sal - va - tion

of our souls!"

(at Great Vespers)

Tone 1

Troparion

(Resurrection)

Resurrectional Troparion – Tone 1

When the stone had been sealed by the Jews,
 while the soldiers were guarding Your most pure body,
 You rose on the third day, O Savior,
 Granting life to the world.
 The powers of heaven therefore cried to You, O Giver of Life:
 "Glory to Your Resurrection, O Christ!
Glory to Your Kingdom!!!
 Glory to Your dispensation, O you who love mankind!"

When the stone_ had been sealed by the Jews; While the soldiers were guarding

Your most pure Bo - dy; You rose_ on the third day, O Sa - viour,

grant-ing life to the world. The po - wers of heaven therefore cried to
 You, O Gi - ver of Life: Glo - ry to Your Re - sur - rec - tion, O Christ!
 Glo - ry to Your King-dom! Glory to Your dispensation, O You Who love man - kind!

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

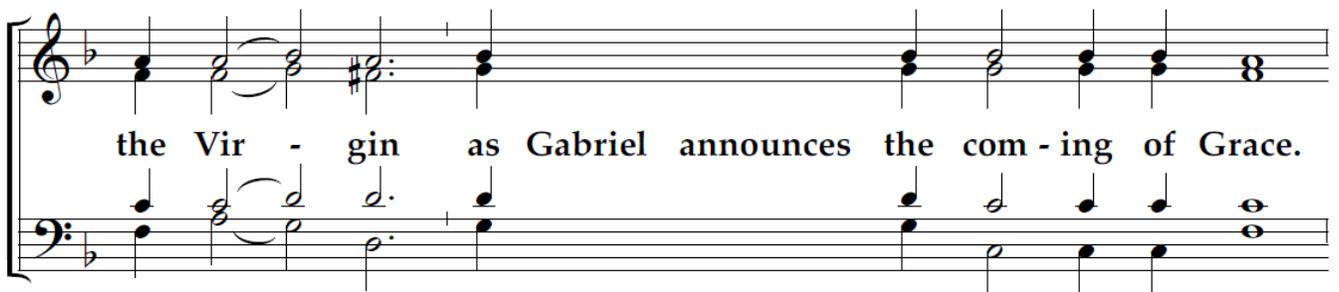
Tone 4

Troparion

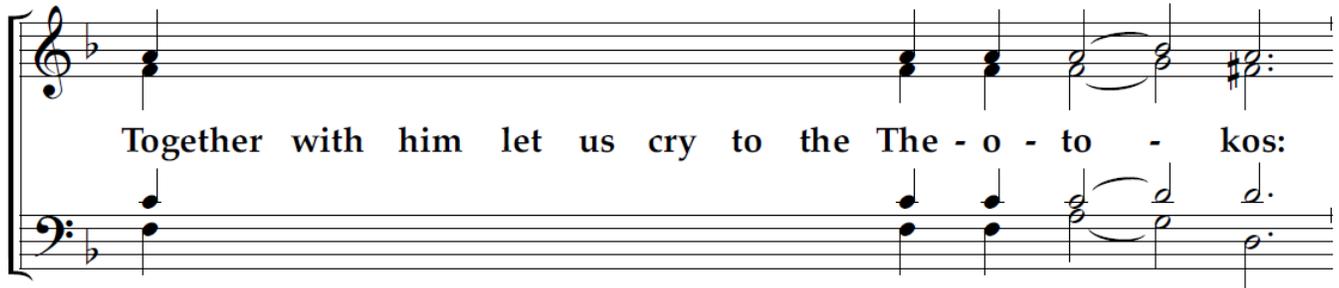
(Annunciation)

Troparion for Annunciation – Tone 4
 Today is the beginning of our salvation,
 the revelation of the eternal mystery!
 The Son of God becomes the Son of the Virgin
 as Gabriel announces the coming of Grace.
 Together with him let us cry to the Theotokos:
 “Rejoice, O Full of Grace, //
 the Lord is with you!”

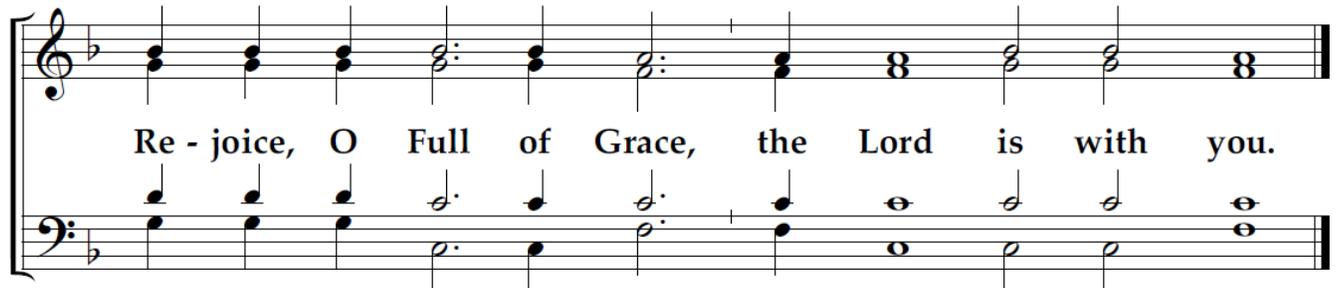
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Re - jice, O Full of Grace, the Lord is with you.

(at the Divine Liturgy of St Basil)

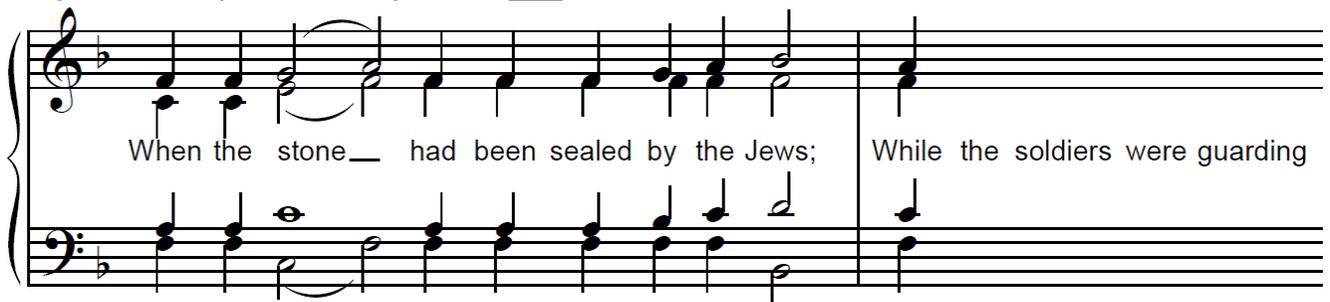
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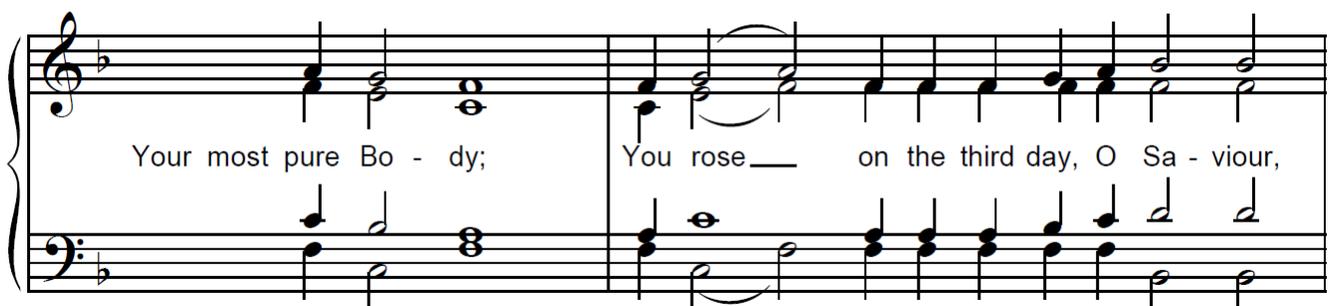
(Resurrection)

Resurrectional Troparion – Tone 1

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 while the soldiers were guarding Your most pure body,
 You rose on the third day, O Savior,
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 Glo - ry to Your King-dom! Glory to Your dispensation, O You Who love man - kind!

Tone 4

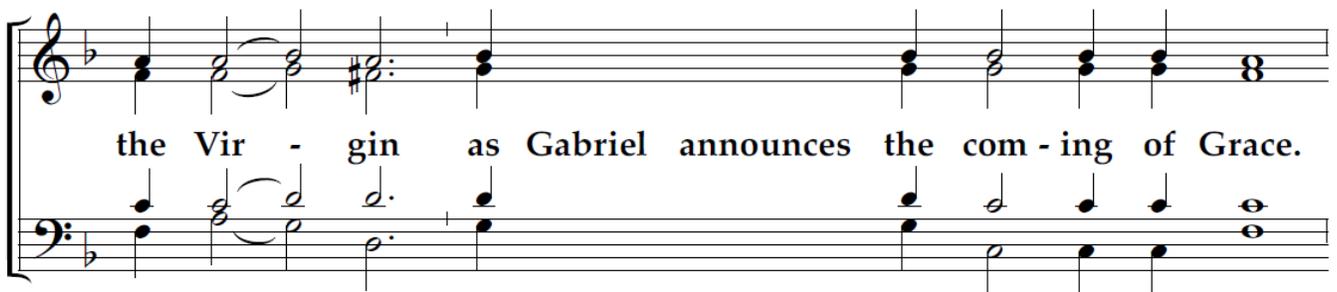
Troparion

(Annunciation)

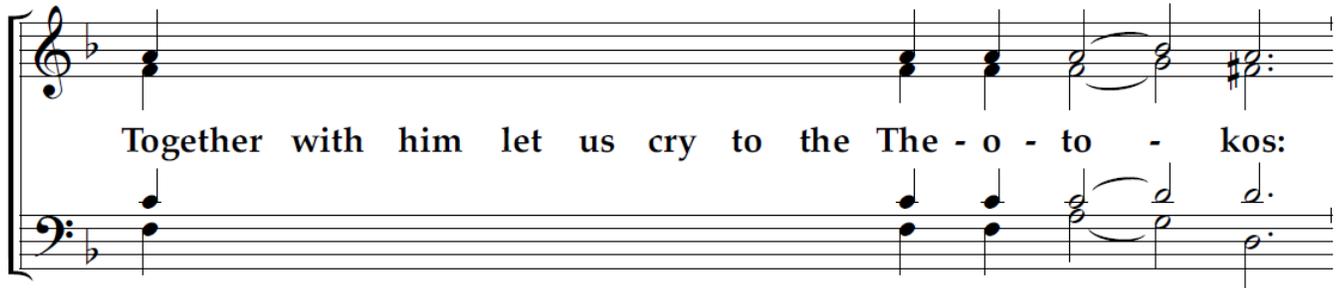
Troparion for Annunciation – Tone 4
 Today is the beginning of our salvation,
 the revelation of the eternal mystery!
 The Son of God becomes the Son of the Virgin
 as Gabriel announces the coming of Grace.
 Together with him let us cry to the Theotokos:
 “Rejoice, O Full of Grace, //
 the Lord is with you!”

Soprano
 Alto
 Today is the beginning of our sal - va - tion, the revelation
 Tenor
 Bass

of the eternal mys - ter - y! The Son of God becomes the Son of



the Vir - gin as Gabriel announces the com - ing of Grace.



Together with him let us cry to the The - o - to - kos:



Re - joice, O Full of Grace, the Lord is with you.

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

Tone 8

Kontakion

(Annunciation)

Kontakion for Annunciation – Tone 8

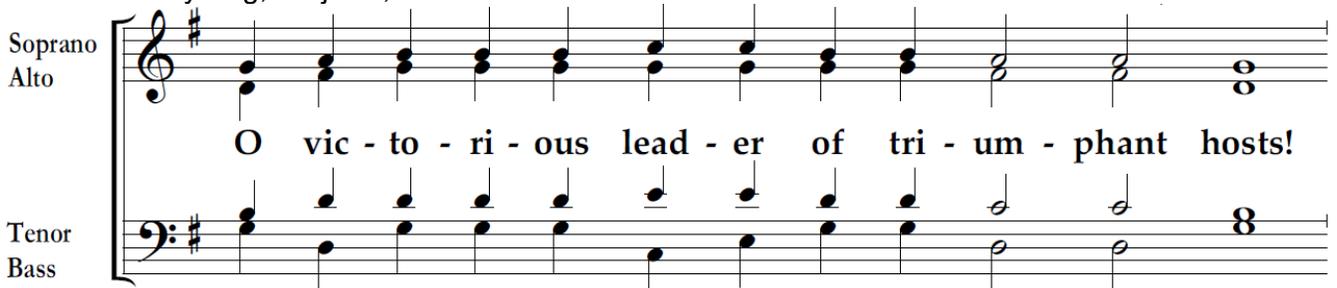
O victorious leader of triumphant hosts!

We, your servants delivered from evil

sing our grateful thanks to you, O Theotokos.

As you possess invincible might set us free from every calamity //

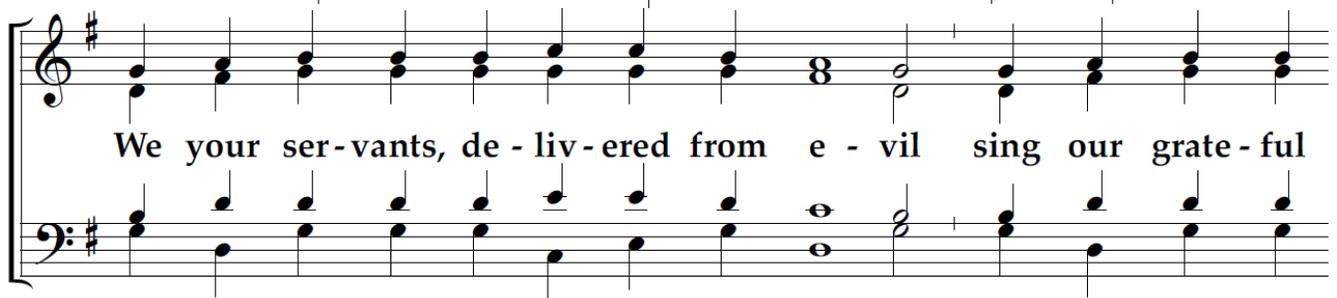
so that we may sing; “Rejoice, O unwedded Bride!”



Soprano
Alto

O vic - to - ri - ous lead - er of tri - um - phant hosts!

Tenor
Bass



We your ser - vants, de - liv - ered from e - vil sing our grate - ful

thanks to you, O The - o - to - kos! As you pos - sess in -

vin - ci - ble might set us free from every ca - lam - i - ty

so that we may sing: Re - joice, O un - wed - ded Bride!

Tone 1

Prokeimenon

Prokeimenon, Tone 1

Reader: The Prokeimenon, in the 1st Tone: Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us as we have set our hope on You!

Choir: Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us as we have set our hope on You, as we have set our hope on You!

Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us as we have set our hope on You,

as we have set our hope on You.

Reader: Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous! Praise befits the just!

Choir: Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us as we have set our hope on You, as we have set our hope on You!

Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us as we have set our hope on You,
as we have set our hope on You.

Tone 4

Prokeimenon

Reader: In the 4th Tone, From day to day proclaim the salvation of our God!

Choir: From day to day proclaim the salvation of our God!

Soprano
Alto
Tenor
Bass

From day to day proclaim the sal - va - - - tion of
our God!

Deacon: Wisdom!

Epistle: (321-ctr) – Hebrews 9:11-14 and (306) – Hebrews 2:11-18 (*Feast*)

Reader: The Reading from the Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the **Hebrews**.

Deacon: Let us attend!

Reader: Brothers and sisters, Christ appeared as a high priest of the good things to come, he entered through the greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands, that is to say, not of this creation. It was not through the blood of goats and calves but through his own blood that he entered into the Holy Place once for all, having obtained eternal redemption. Indeed, if the blood of bulls and goats, and the ashes of a heifer (sprinkling those who have been defiled) could sanctify to restore the purity of the flesh, how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify your conscience from dead works to offer divine service to the living God?

Those from Italy greet you. Grace be with you all! Amen.

Brothers and sisters, both the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified are all from one; for this reason, he is not ashamed to call them brethren, saying:

I will declare your Name to my brethren.

In the midst of the congregation I will sing your praise.

Again:

I will put my trust in him,

and:

Behold, here I am with the children whom God has given me.

Since the children have shared in the same flesh and blood, he likewise shared the same human nature, so that through death he might bring to nothing the one who had the power of death – the devil – and deliver all those who through fear of death were subject to life-long slavery.

Certainly, Jesus did not take on the nature of angels, but that of Abraham's seed. For this reason, he had to be made like his brethren in all things, so that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in things pertaining to God, able to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. Moreover, since he himself suffered and was tempted, he is able to help those who are tempted.

Priest: † Peace be to you.

Alleluia: Tone 1

*Reader: **And to Your spirit.*** In the 1st Tone: Alleluia! God gives vengeance unto me, and subdues people under me.

Choir: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Reader: He magnifies the salvation of the King and deals mercifully with David, His anointed, and his seed forever.

Choir: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Reader: In the 1st Tone, He descends like rain upon the fleece, like raindrops that water the earth.

Choir: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Gospel: (47) – Mark 10:32-45 and (3) – Luke 1: 24-38 (Feast)

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

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

Priest: At that time, Jesus took the Twelve aside and began to tell them about the things that were going to happen to him. "Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem. The Son of Man will be delivered to the chief priests and the scribes. They will condemn him to death and deliver him to the Gentiles. They will scourge him, mock him, spit on him, and kill him. On the third day, he will rise again."

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, approached Jesus and said, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we will ask!"

He replied, "What do you want me to do for you?"

They answered, "Grant to us that we may sit, one at your right hand, and one at your left hand, in your glory."

But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking! Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, and to be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?"

They replied, "We are able!"

Jesus said to them, "You shall indeed drink the cup that I drink, and you shall be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with! However, to sit at my right hand and at my left hand is not mine to give, but it is for whom it has been prepared."

When the ten heard this, they became upset with James and John.

Jesus called them, and told them, "You know that those who are recognized as rulers over the nations lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. But it shall not be so among you! Whoever wants to become great among you shall be your servant.

Whoever of you wants to become first shall be slave of all. For the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

In those days Zacharias' wife Elizabeth conceived, and she hid herself five months, saying: "The Lord has done this to me in the days when he looked at me, in order to take away my disgrace among men."

Now in the sixth month, the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, to a virgin pledged to be married to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary. Having come in, the angel said to her, "Rejoice, full of grace! The Lord is with you! Blessed are you among women!"

But when she saw him, she was greatly troubled at his saying and considered what kind of greeting this might be. The angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. Behold, you will conceive in your womb and bring forth a son, and you will call his name 'Jesus.' He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his father, David, and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever. And of his Kingdom there shall be no end."

Mary said to the angel, "How can this be happening to me, since I do not know a man?"

The angel answered her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. Therefore, the holy one who is born will be called the Son of God. Behold, your relative Elizabeth has also conceived a son in her old age and this is the sixth month of her pregnancy for her who was called barren. For nothing shall be impossible with God."

Mary said, "Behold, the handmaid of the Lord! Let it be to me according to your word."

And the angel departed from her.

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

The Hymn to the Theotokos

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

O earth, announce good tidings of great joy: O heavens, praise the glory of God!

Since she is a living Ark of God

let no profane hand touch the Theotokos.

But let the lips of believers unceasingly sing to her,

praising her in joy with the Angel's song:

"Rejoice, O Lady, full of grace, the Lord is with you!"

The musical score is written for four voices: Soprano, Alto, Tenor, and Bass. It is in the key of D major (two sharps) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are: "O earth, announce good tidings of great joy; // O heavens, praise the glory of God! Since she is a living Ark of God let no profane hand touch the Theotokos. But let the lips". The score consists of three systems of staves. Each system has a vocal staff (Soprano/Alto) and a piano accompaniment staff (Tenor/Bass). The lyrics are placed below the vocal staff. The first system covers the first two lines of lyrics, the second system covers the next two lines, and the third system covers the final line. The piano accompaniment consists of block chords and simple melodic lines.

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Communion Hymns

Praise the Lord from the heavens! Praise Him in the highest!
 The Lord has chosen Zion; He has desired it for His habitation.
 Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!