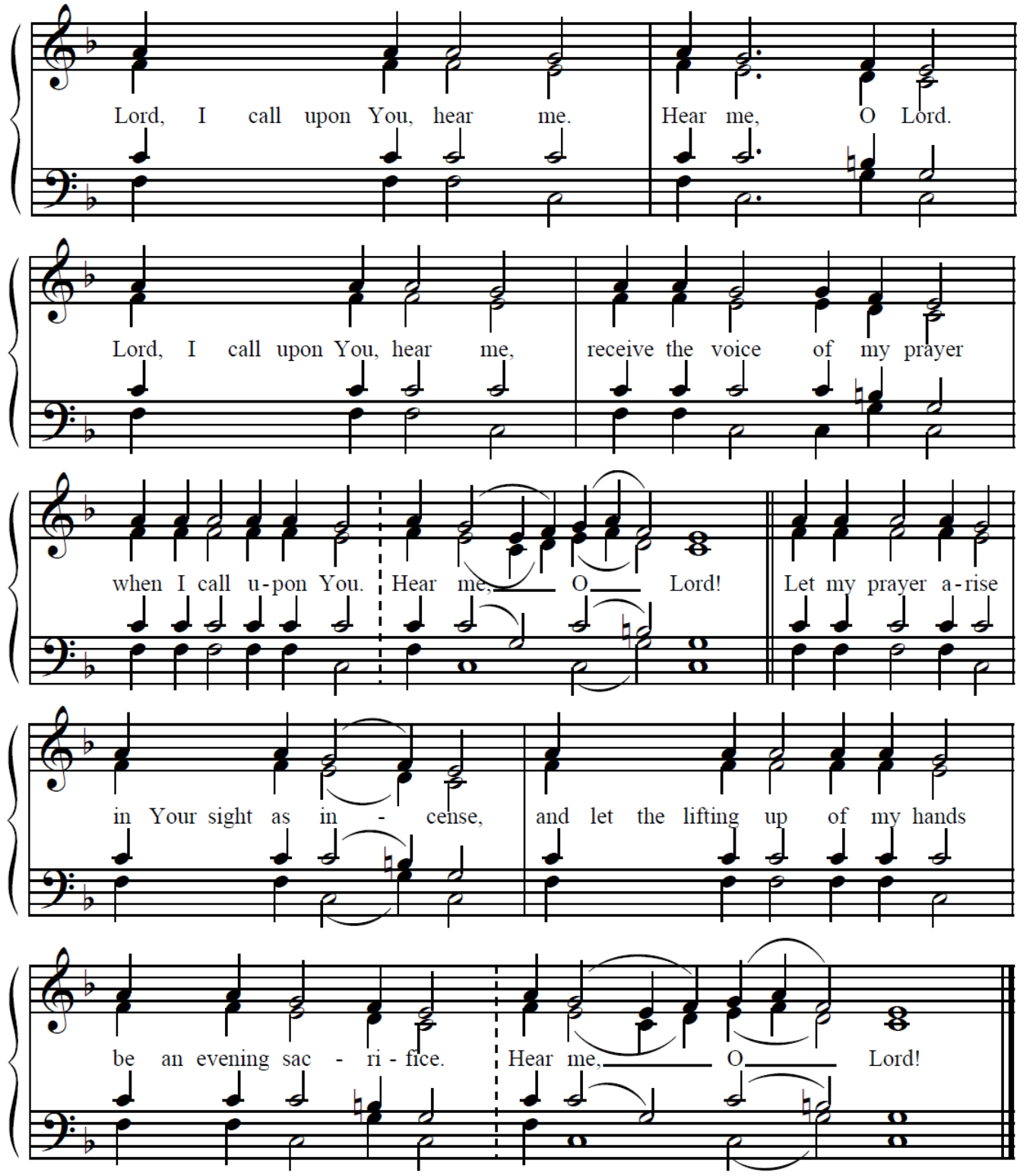
"Lord I Call..." – Tone 3

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

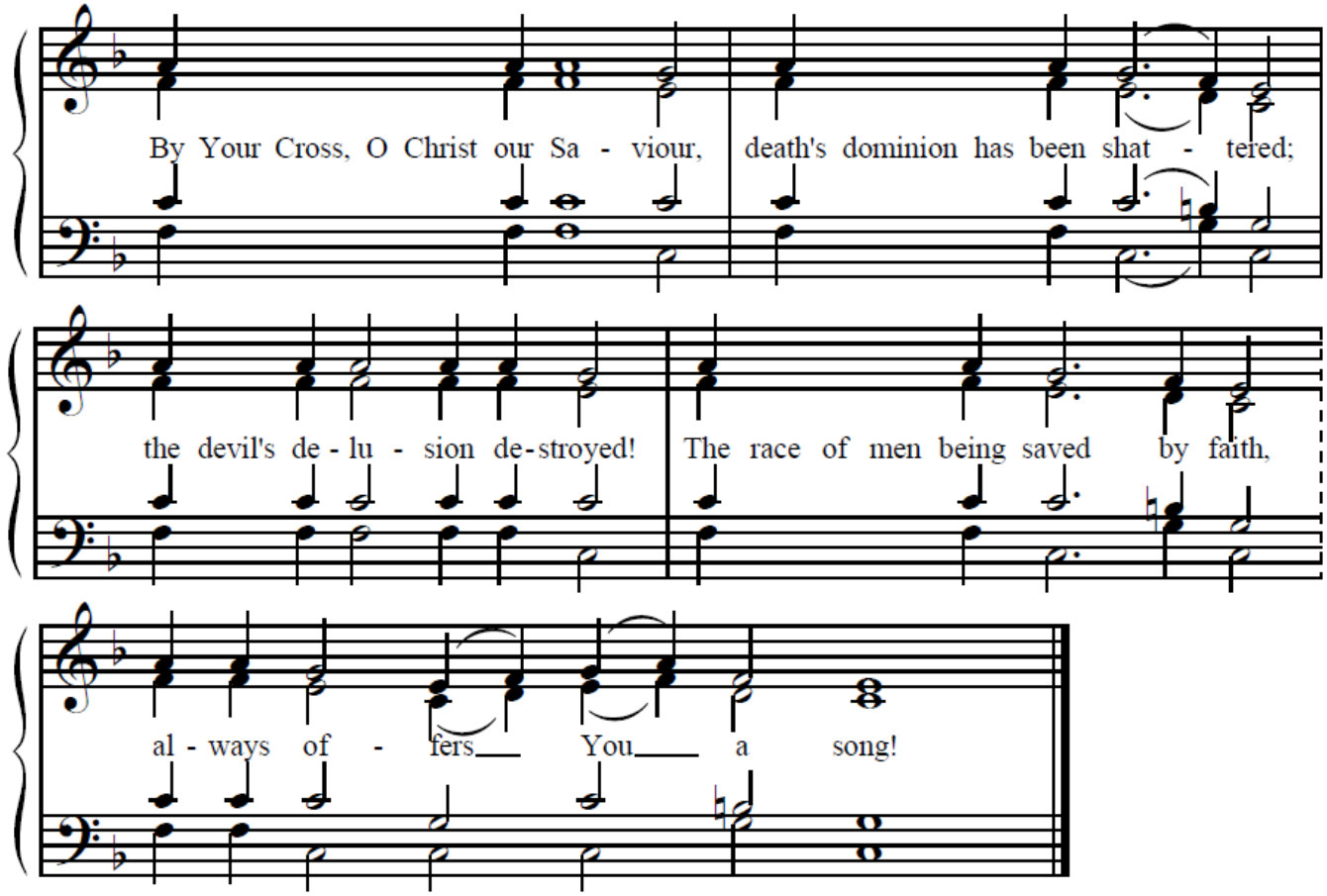
Lord, I call upon You, hear me.
Hear me, O Lord.
Lord, I call upon You, hear me.
Receive the voice of my prayer,
when I call upon You.
Hear me, O Lord.

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



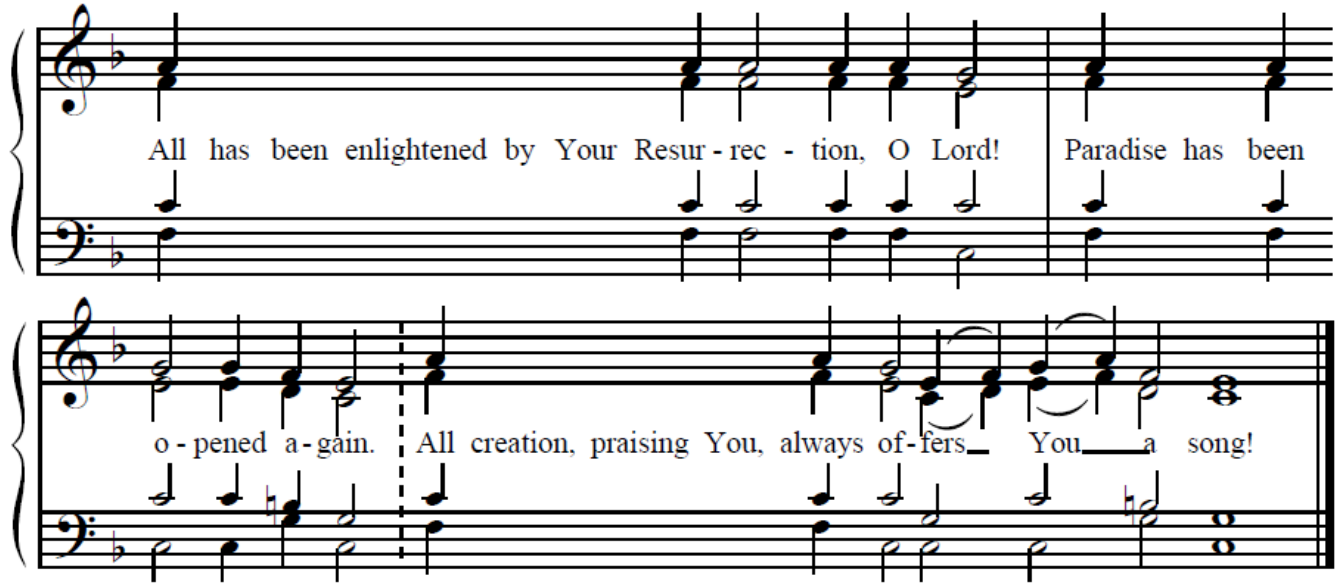
Reader: (Reads text from service book)
v. (10) Bring my soul out of prison, that I may give thanks to Your name!

By Your Cross, O Christ our Savior,
death's dominion has been shattered;
the devil's delusion destroyed.
The race of men, being saved by faith,//
always offers You a song.



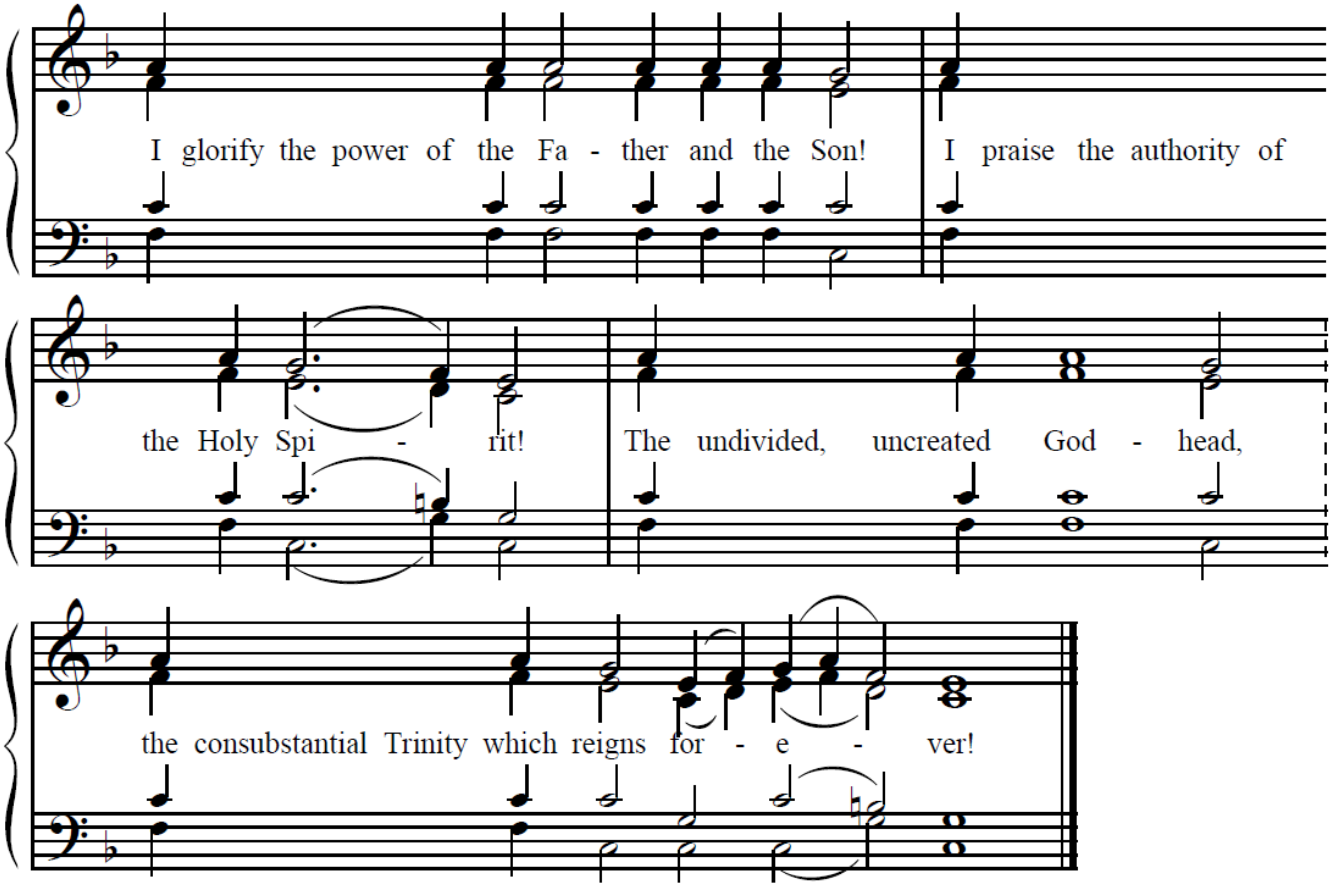
v. (9) The righteous will surround me; for You will deal bountifully with me.

All has been enlightened by Your Resurrection, O Lord.
Paradise has been opened again.//
All creation, praising You, always offers You a song.



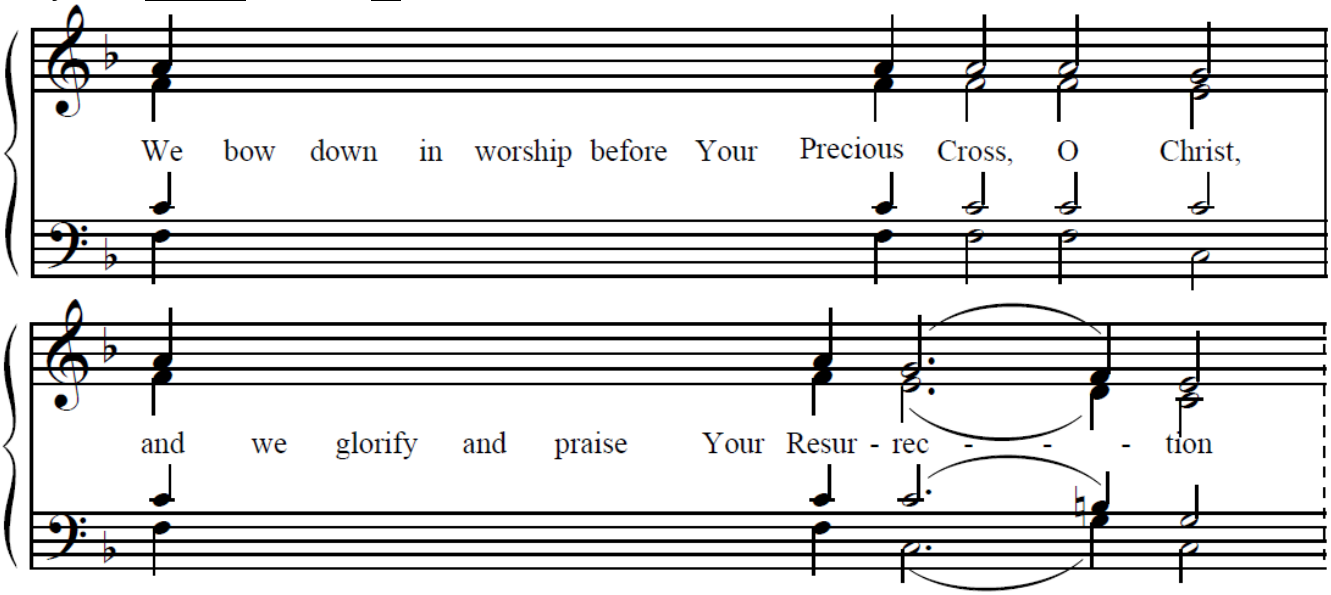
v. (8) Out of the depths I cry to You, O Lord. Lord, hear my voice!

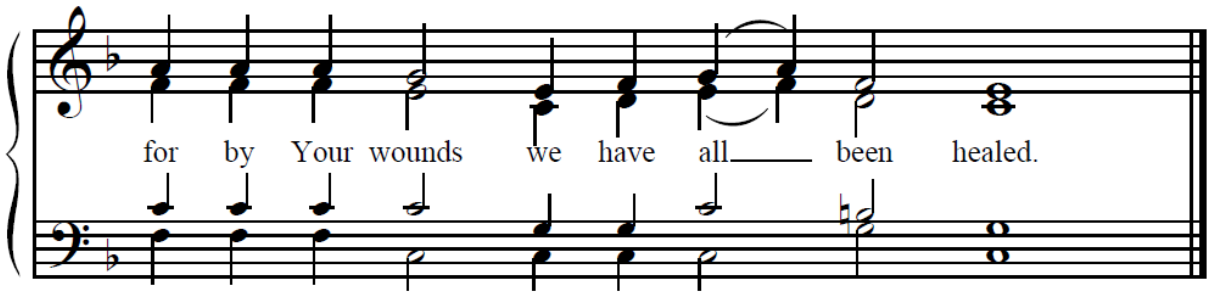
I glorify the power of the Father and the Son.
I praise the authority of the Holy Spirit:
the undivided, uncreated Godhead,//
the consubstantial Trinity which reigns forever.



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

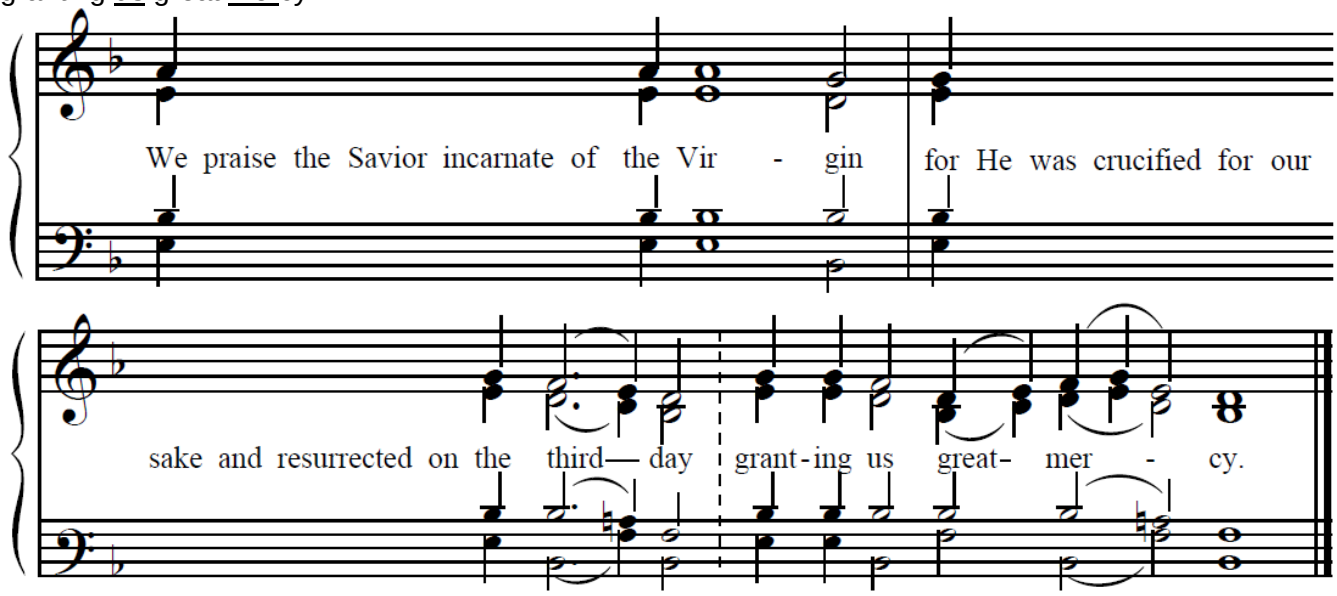
We bow down in worship before Your precious Cross, O Christ,
and we glorify and praise Your Resurrection,//
for by Your wounds we have all been healed.





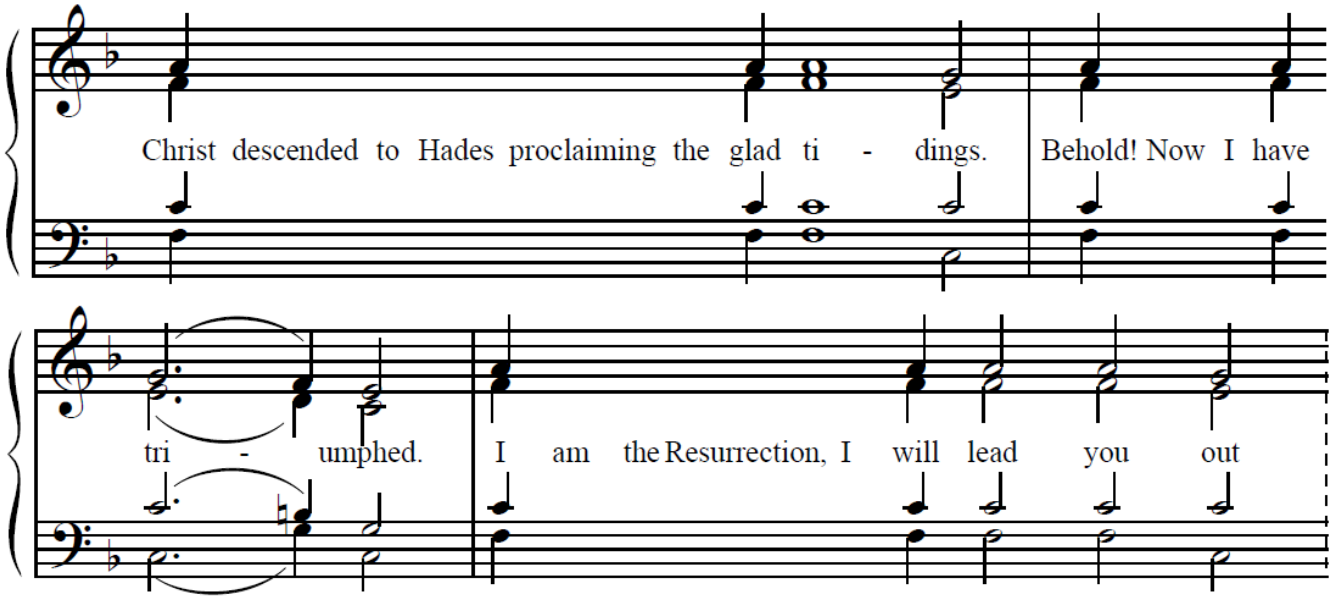
v. (6) If You, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with You.

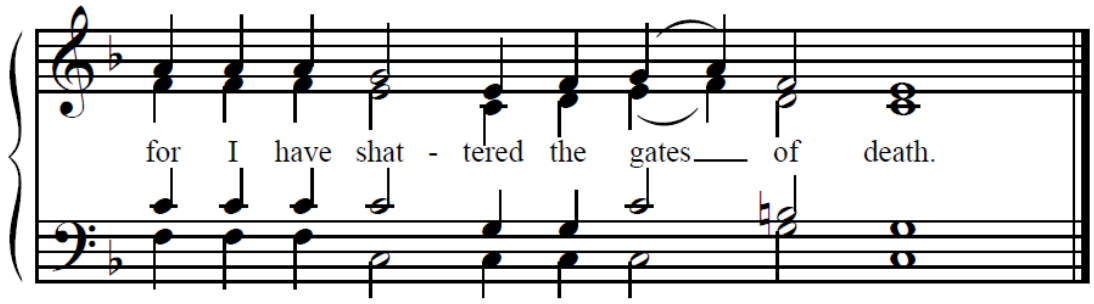
We praise the Savior incarnate of the Virgin,
for He was crucified for our sake and resurrected on the third day,//
granting us great mercy.



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.

Christ descended to Hades proclaiming the glad tidings:
"Behold! Now I have triumphed!
I am the Resurrection, I will lead you out,//
for I have shattered the gates of death!"

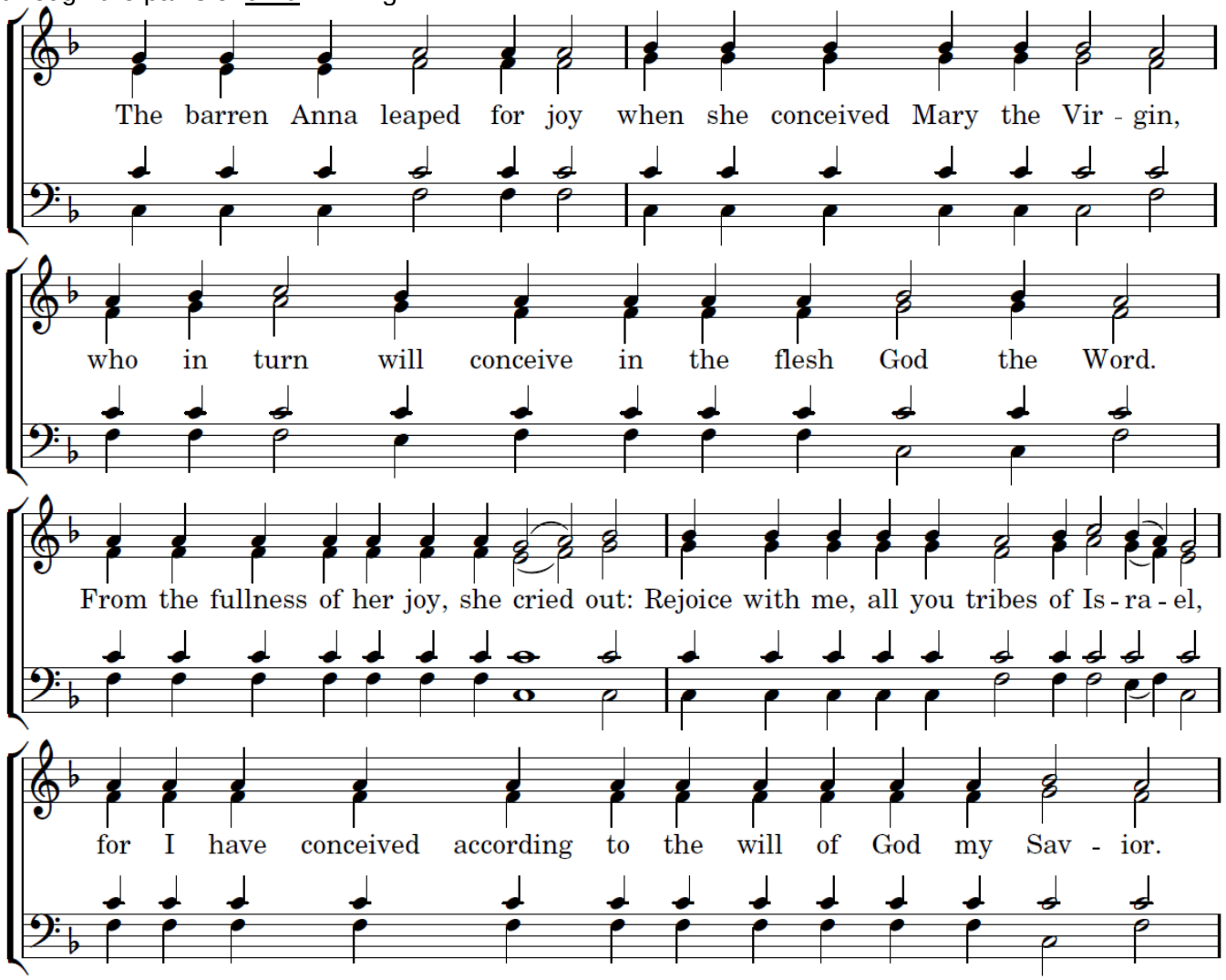


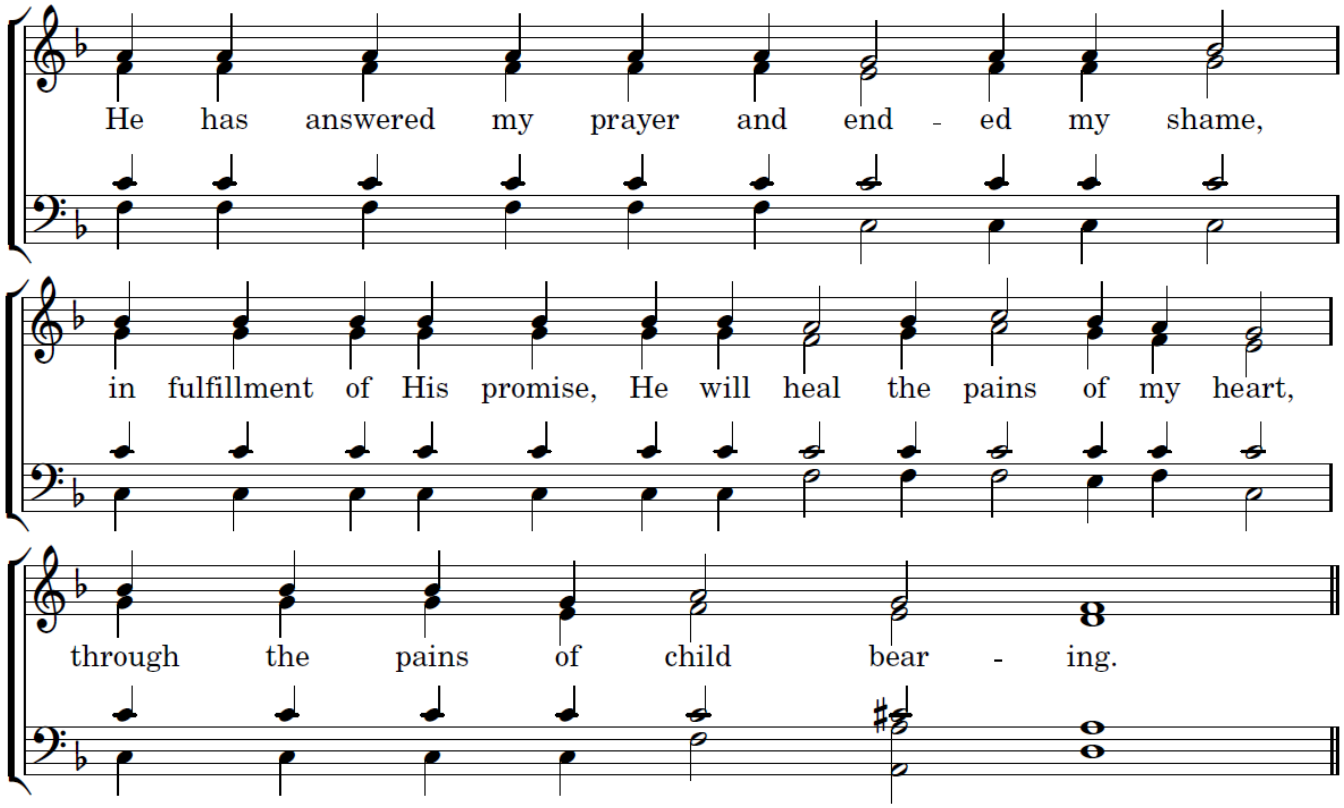


v. (4) In the Fourth Tone, From the morning watch until night, from the morning watch, let Israel hope on the Lord!

Tone 4 *(for the Conception)* *(Called from on high)*

The barren Anna leaped for joy
when she conceived Mary the Virgin,
who in turn will conceive in the flesh God the Word.
From the fullness of her joy, she cried out:
"Rejoice with me, all ye tribes of Israel,
for I have conceived according to the will of God my Savior.
He has answered my prayer and ended my shame,
in fulfillment of His promise, He will heal the pains of my heart,//
through the pains of child-bearing."





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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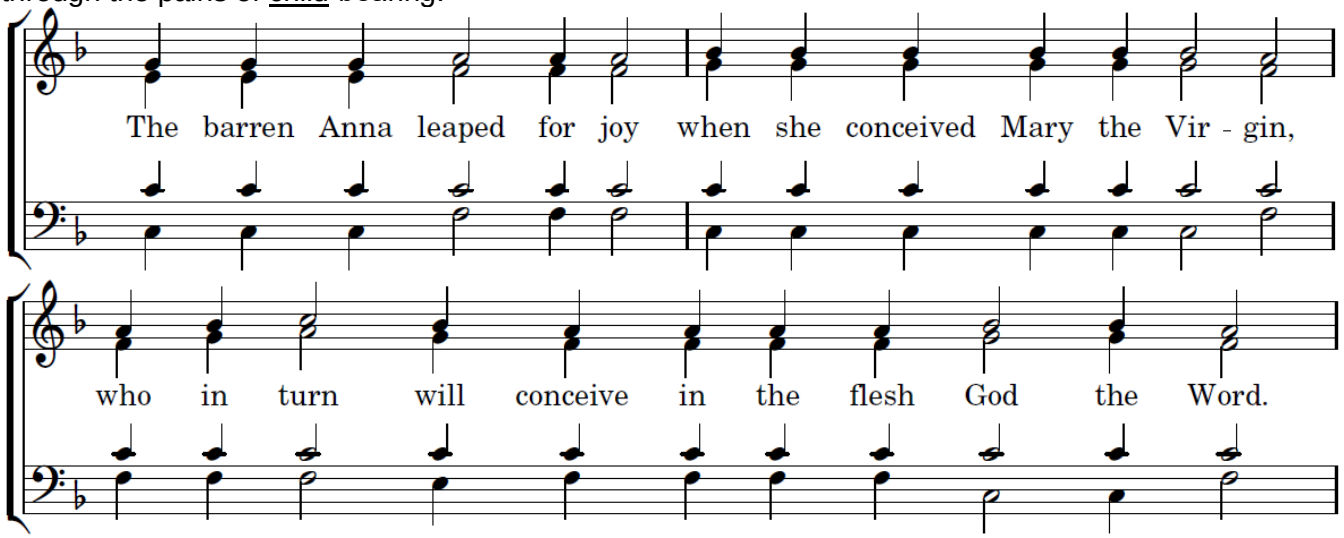
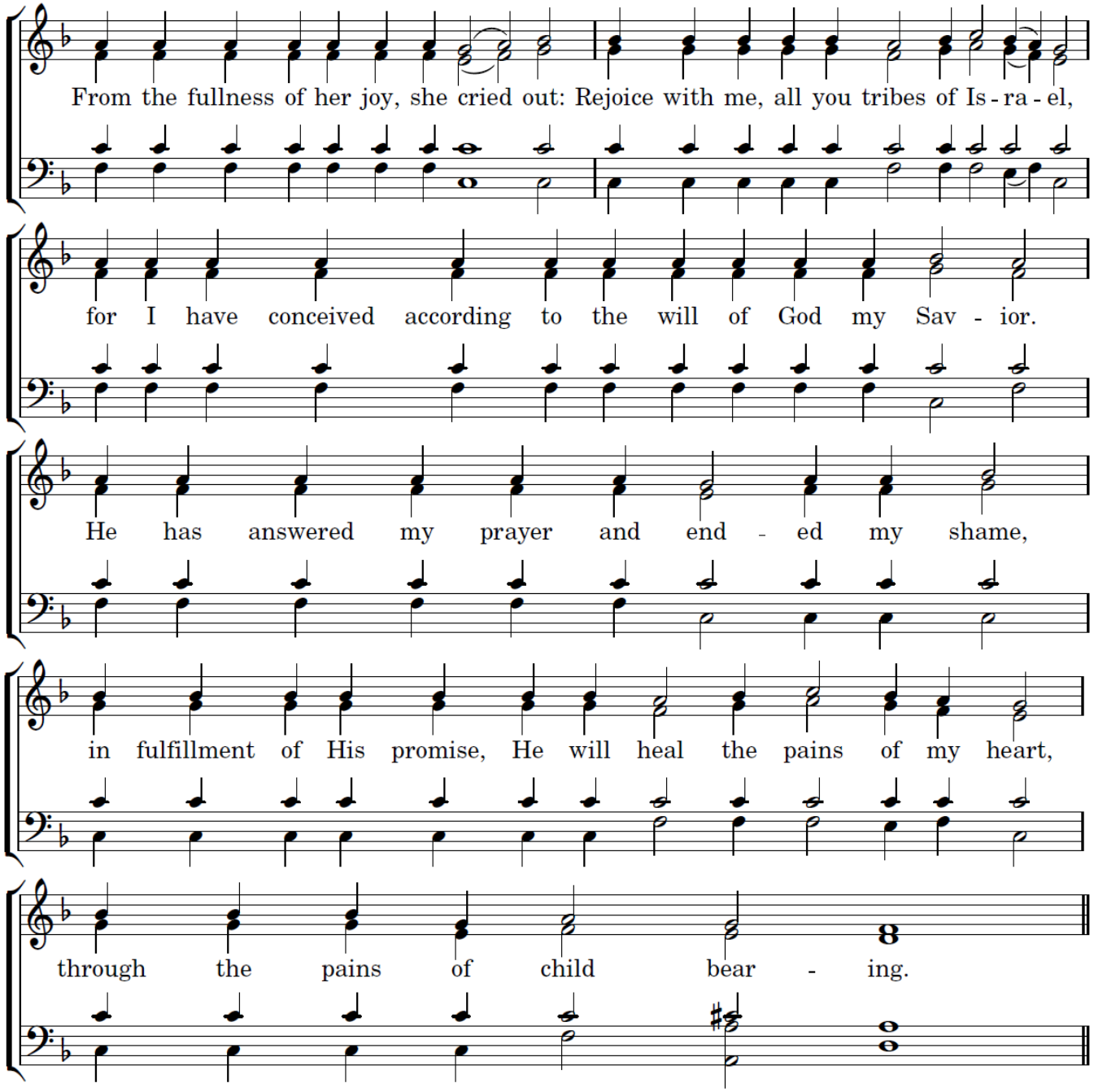
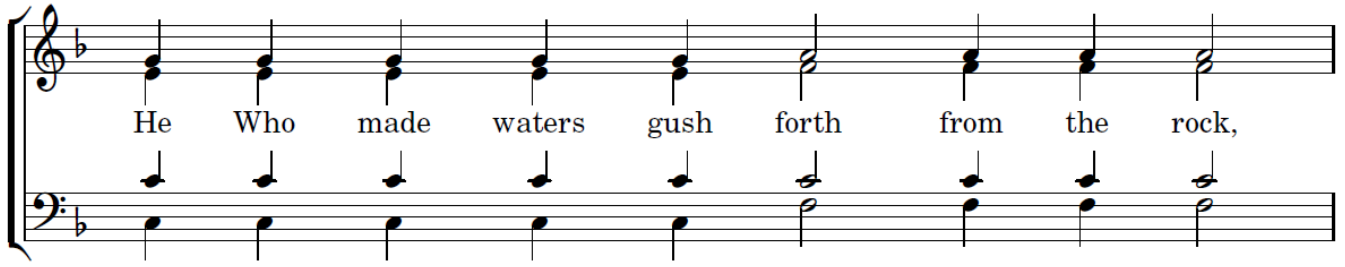
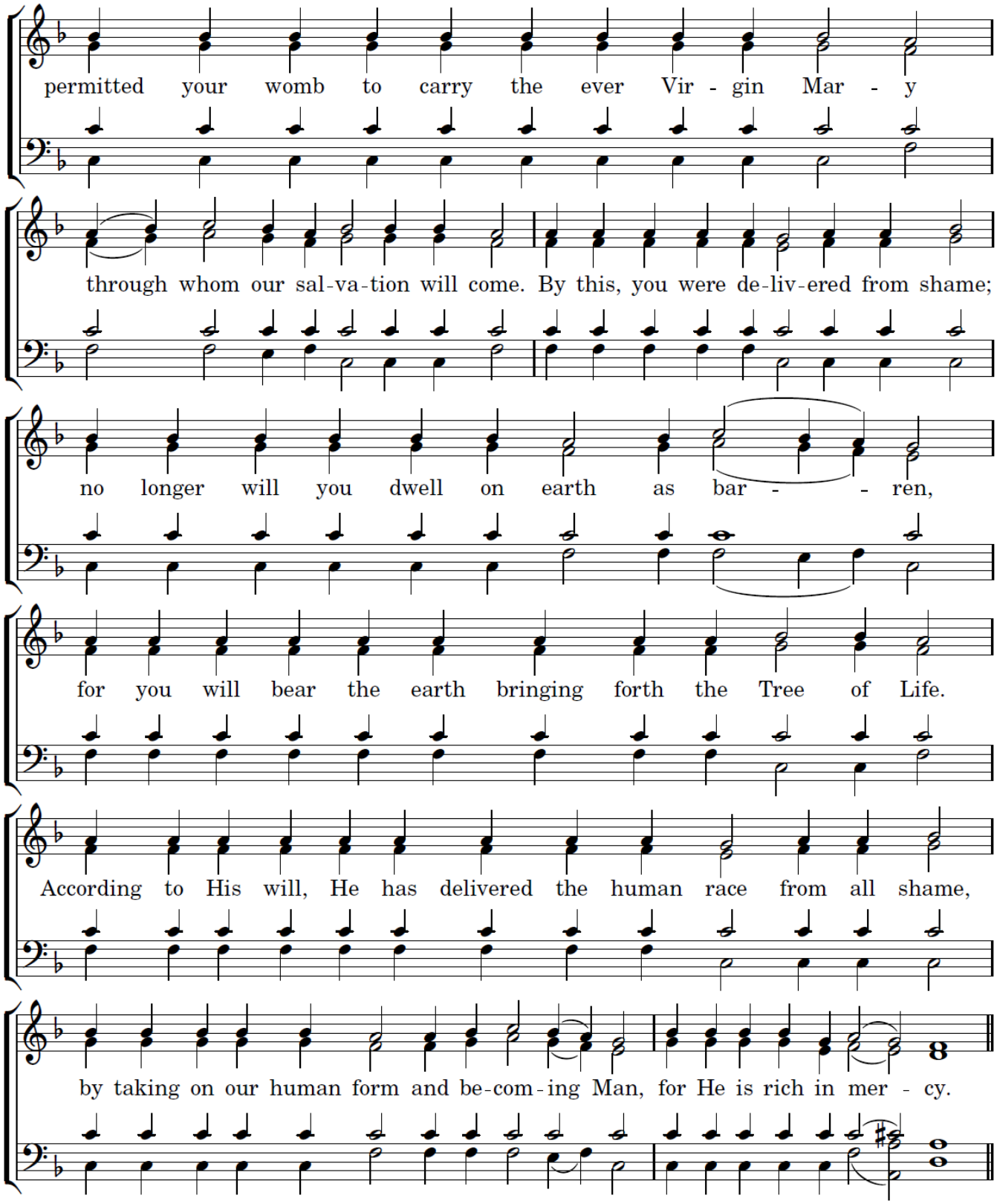




v. (2) Praise the Lord, all nations! Praise Him, all peoples!

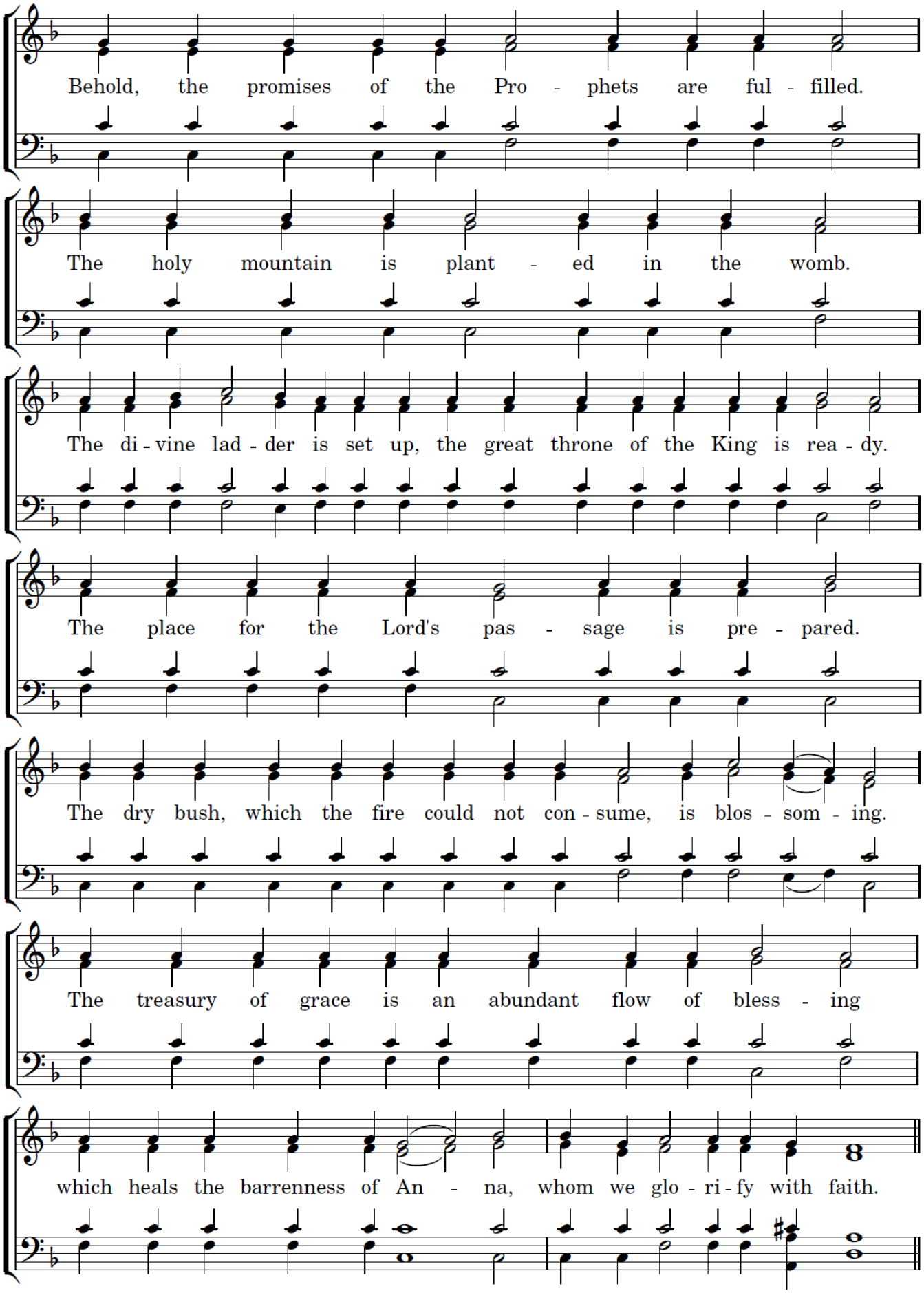
He Who made waters gush forth from the rock,
permitted your womb to carry the ever-Virgin Mary
through whom our salvation will come.
By this, you were delivered from shame;
no longer will you dwell on earth as barren,
for you will bear the earth bringing forth the Tree of Life.
According to His will, He has delivered the human race from all shame,
by taking on our human form and becoming Man,//
for He is rich in mercy.





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

Behold, the promises of the Prophets are fulfilled.
The holy mountain is planted in the womb.
The divine ladder is set up, the great throne of the King is ready.
The place for the Lord's passage is prepared.
The dry bush, which the fire could not consume, is blossoming.
The treasury of grace is an abundant flow of blessing
which heals the barrenness of Anna,//
whom we glorify with faith.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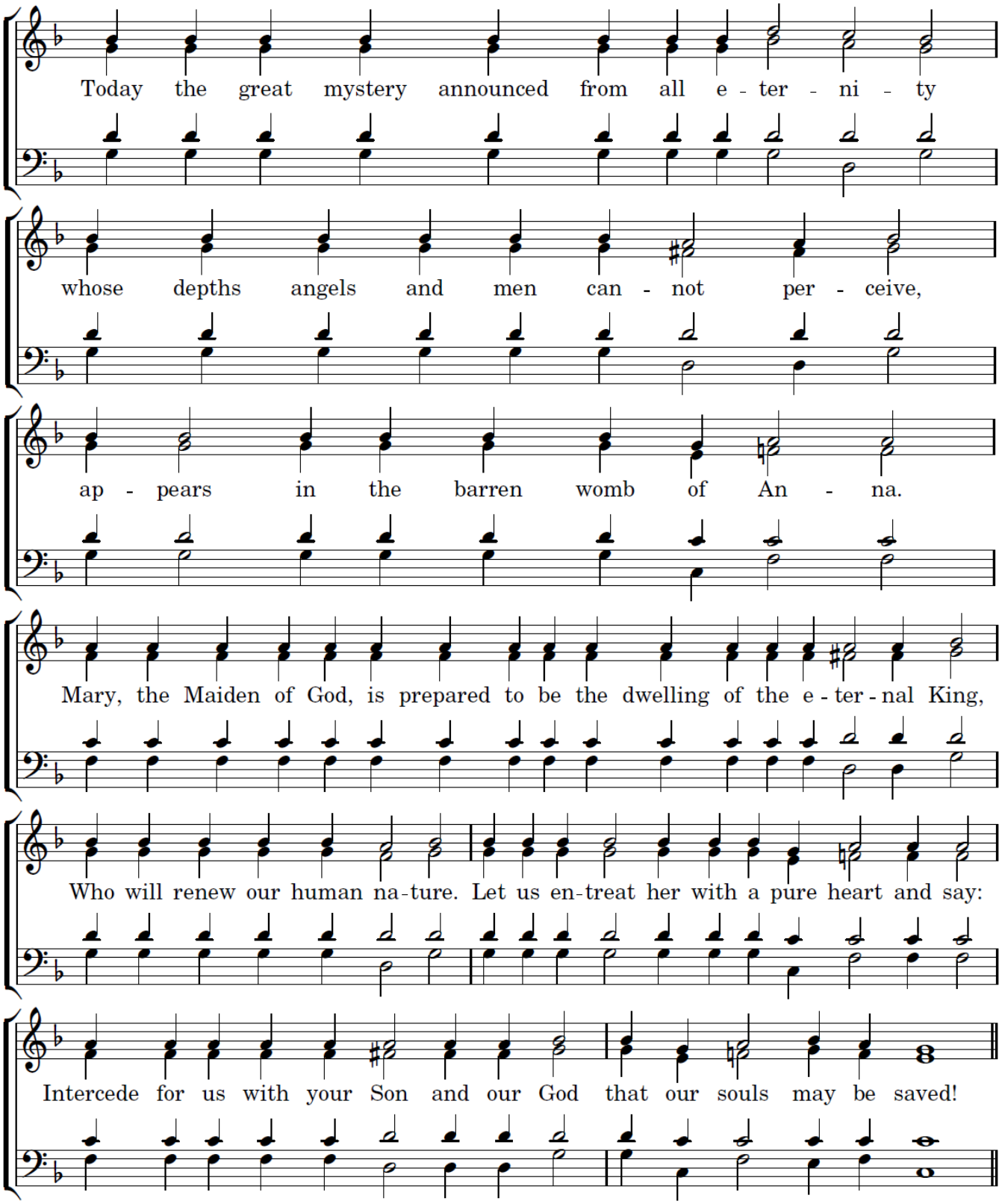
which heals the barrenness of An - na, whom we glo - ri - fy with faith.

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

Tone 2 *(for the Conception, by Germanus)*

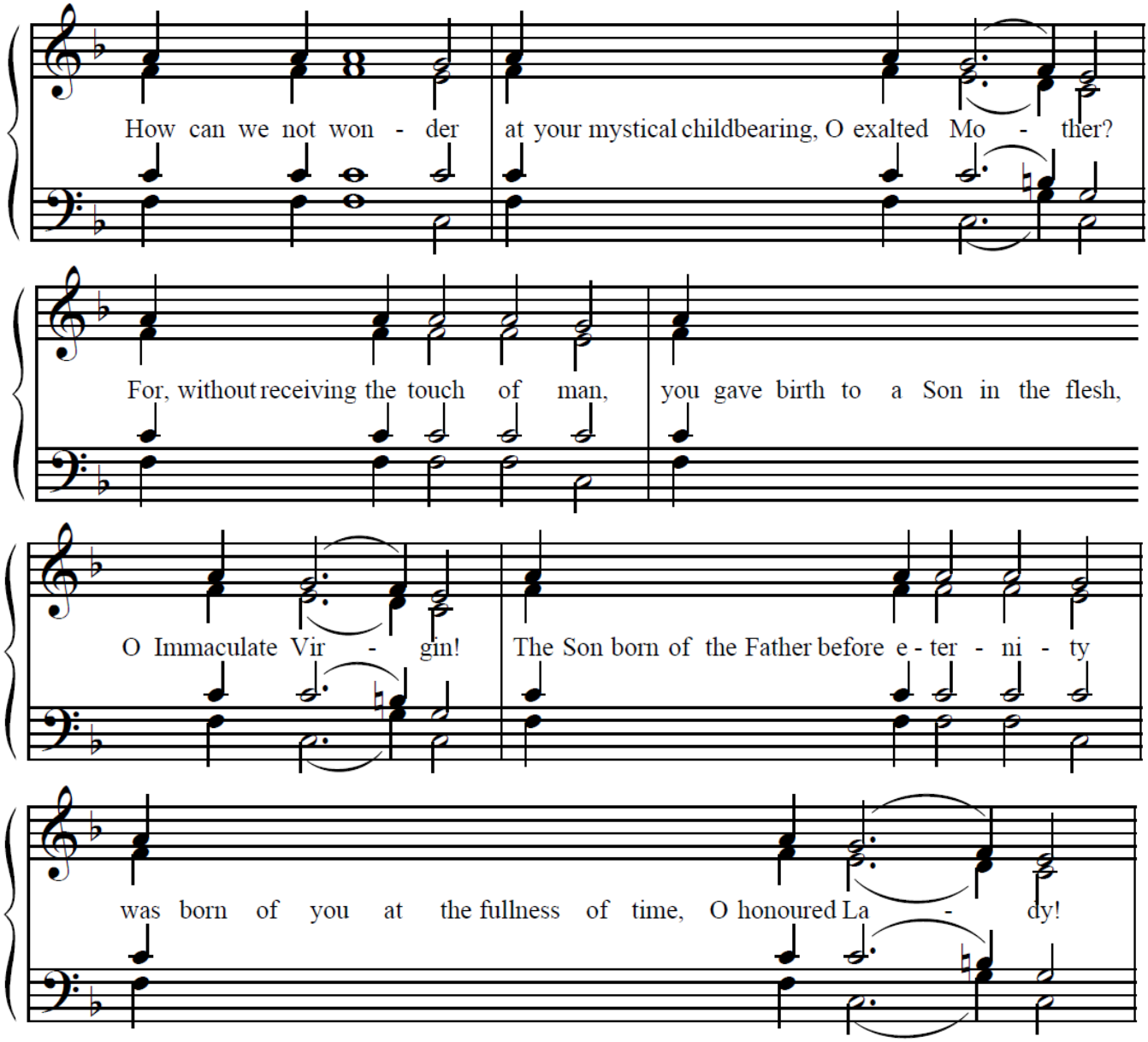
Today the great mystery announced from all eternity
whose depths angels and men cannot perceive,
appears in the barren womb of Anna.
Mary, the Maiden of God, is prepared to be the dwelling of the eternal King,
Who will renew our human nature.
Let us entreat her with a pure heart and say:
"Intercede for us with your Son and our God//
that our souls may be saved!"

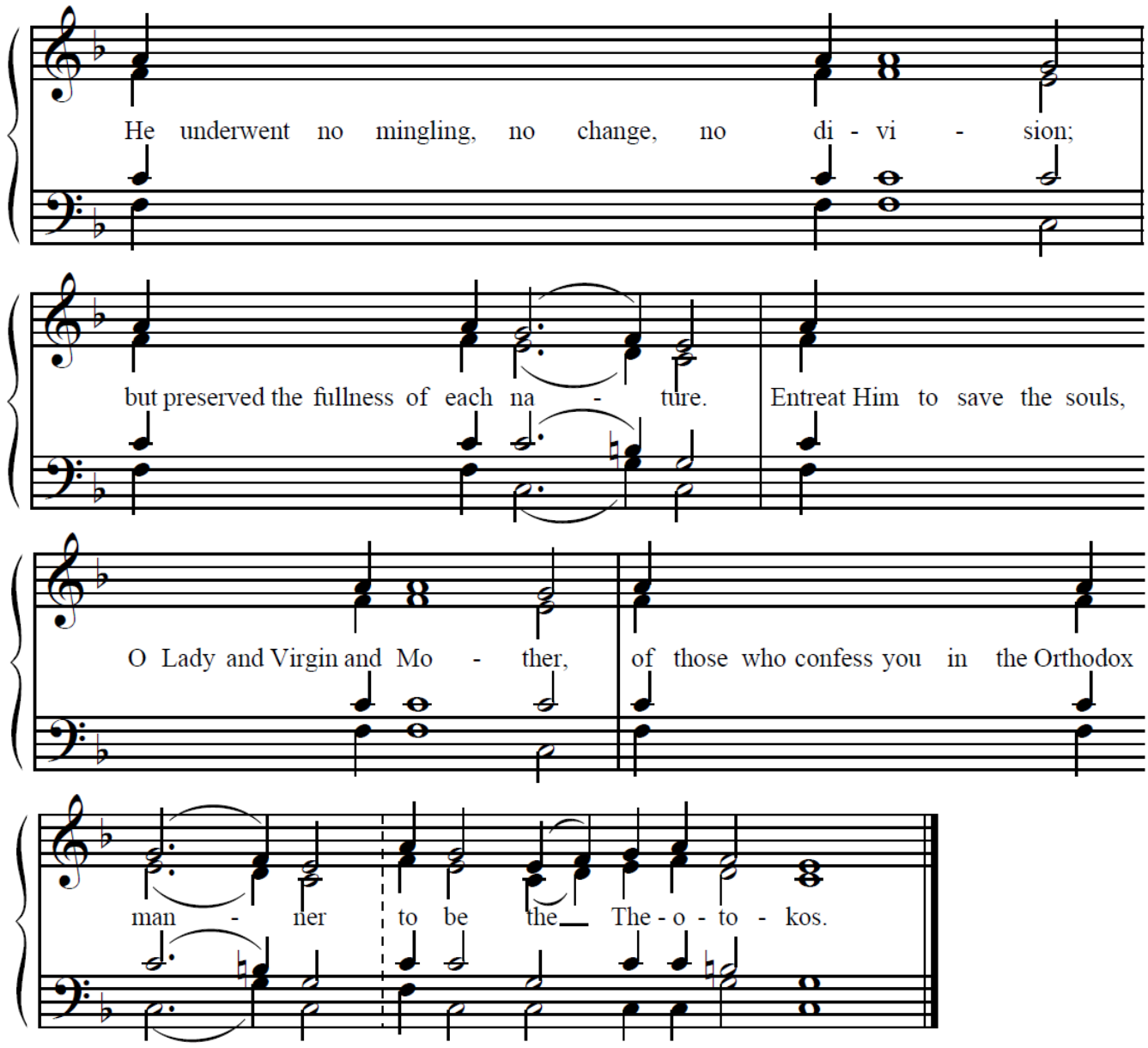


In the Third Tone, now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Tone 3 *(Theotokion – Dogmatikon)*

How can we not wonder
at your mystical childbearing, O exalted Mother?
For without receiving the touch of man,
you gave birth to a Son in the flesh, O immaculate Virgin.
The Son born of the Father before eternity
was born of you at the fullness of time, O honored Lady.
He underwent no mingling, no change, no division,
but preserved the fullness of each nature.
Entreat Him to save the souls, O Lady and Virgin, and Mother,
of those who confess you in the Orthodox manner //
to be the Theotokos.



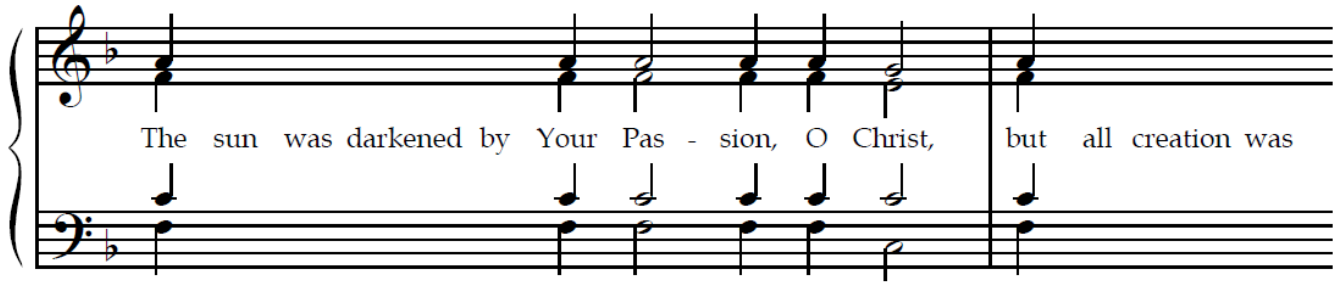


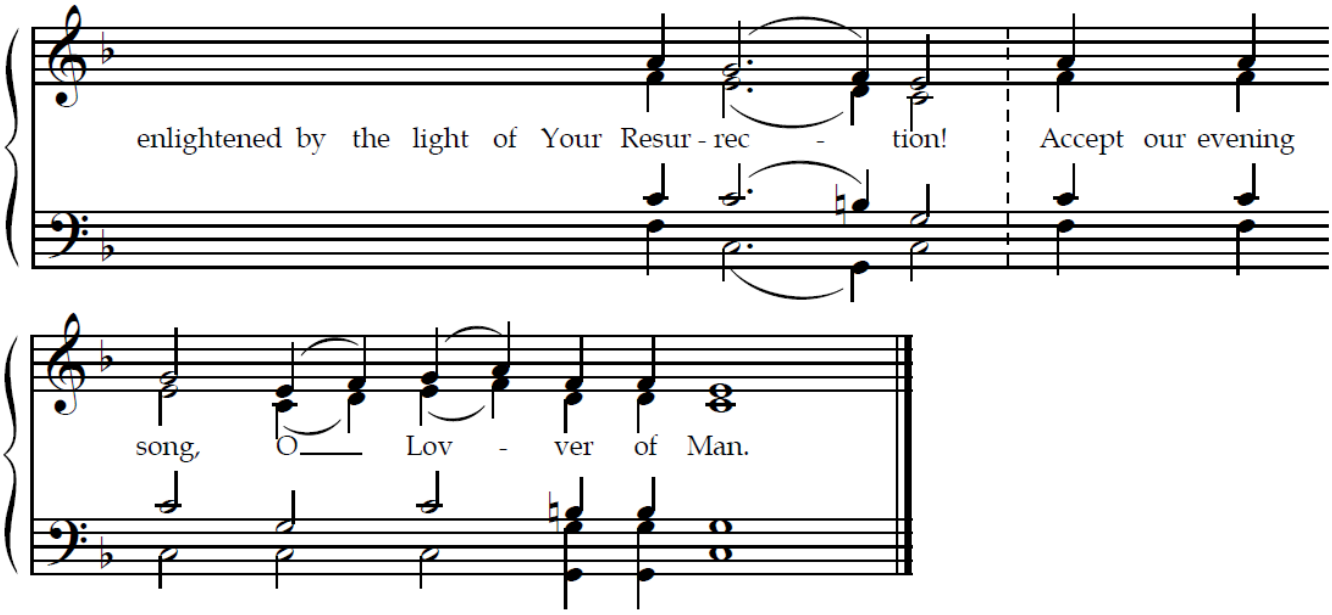
Priest: Wisdom! Let us attend!
Choir: *O Gladsome Light … (p. 16)*

Aposticha

Tone 3 *(for the Resurrection)*

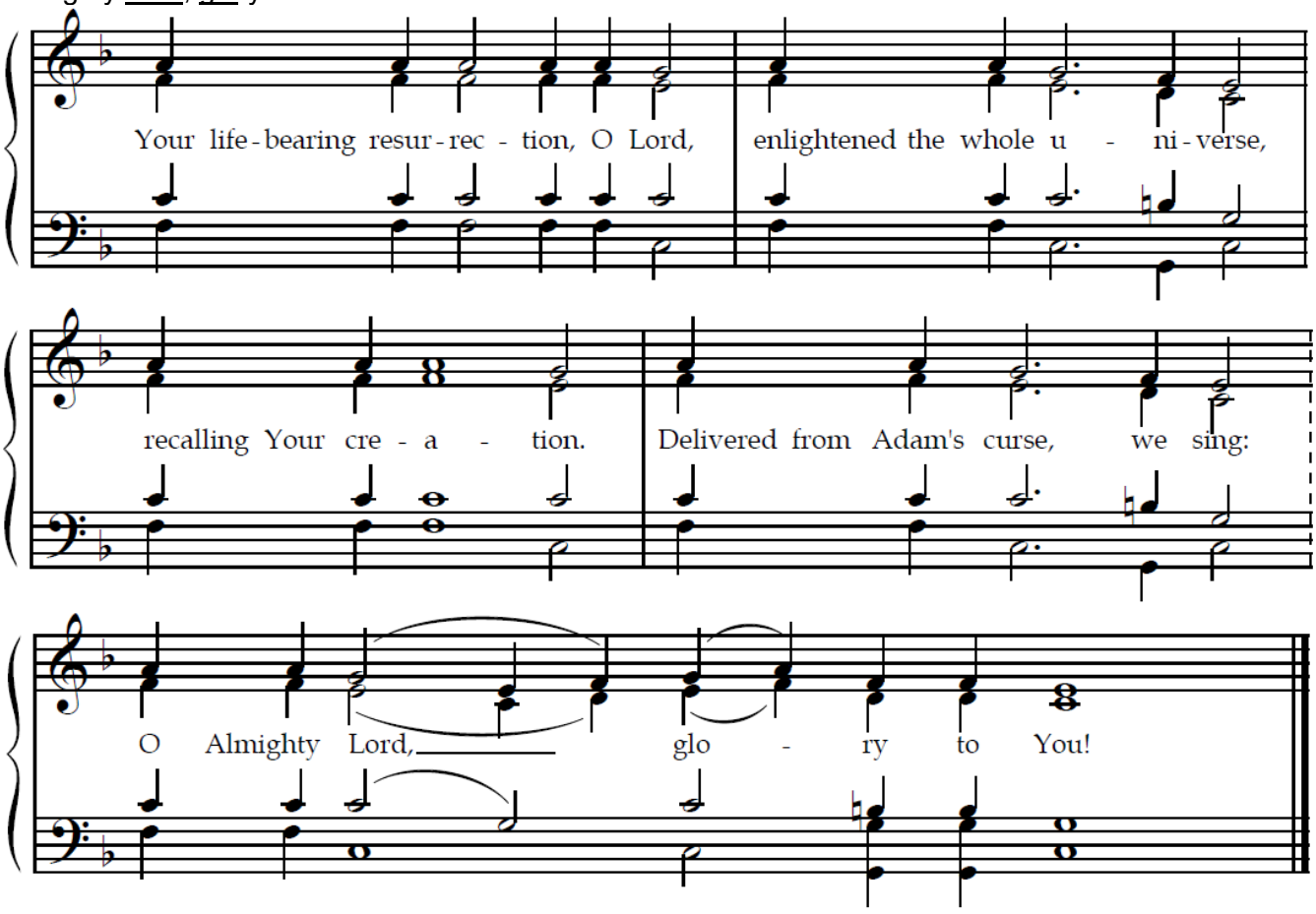
The sun was darkened by your Passion, O Christ,
but all creation was enlightened by the light of Your Resurrection.//
Accept our evening song, O Lover of mankind!





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

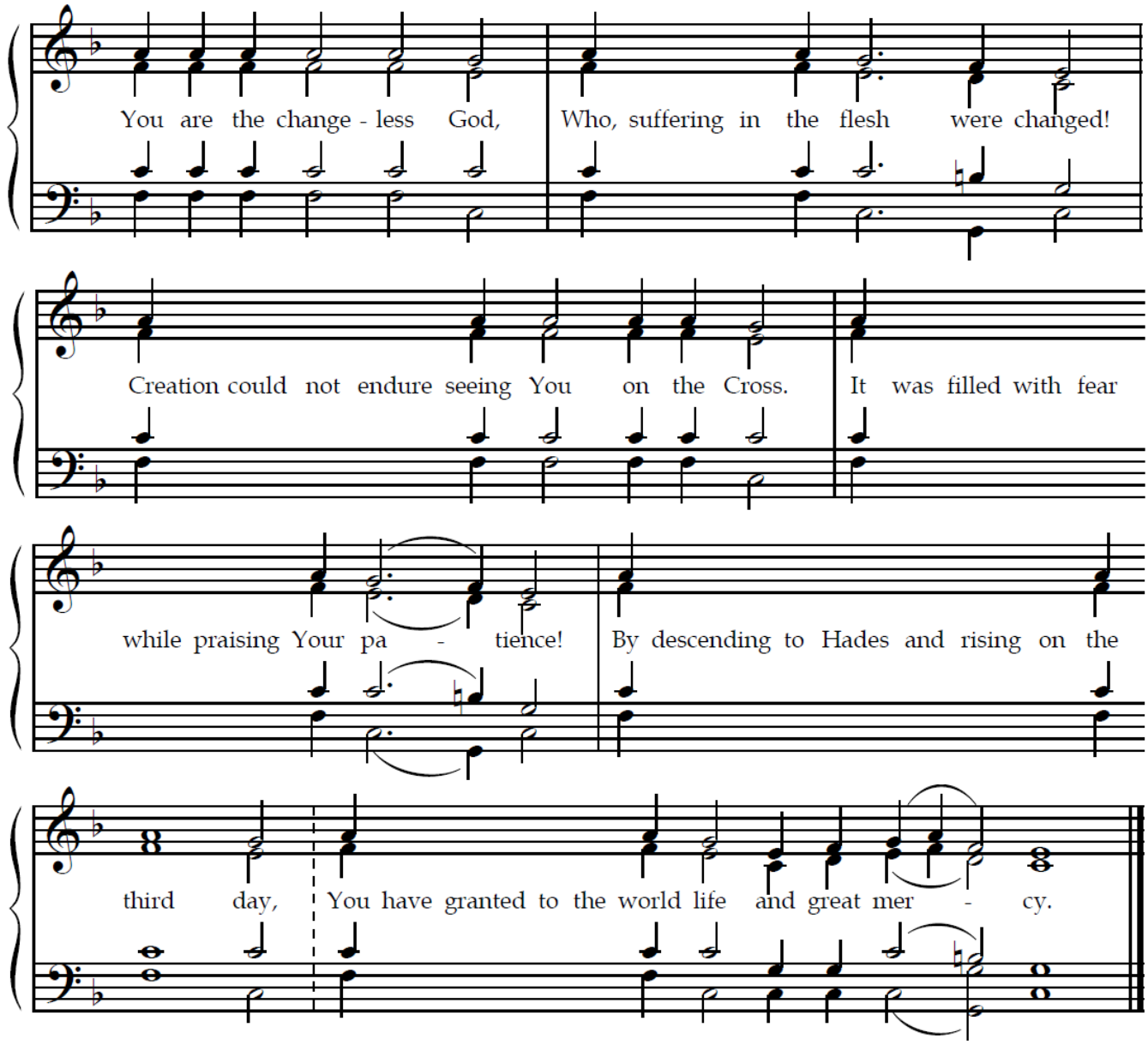
Your life-bearing Resurrection, O Lord,
enlightened the whole universe,
recalling Your creation.
Delivered from Adam's curse, we sing://
"Almighty Lord, glory to You!"



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

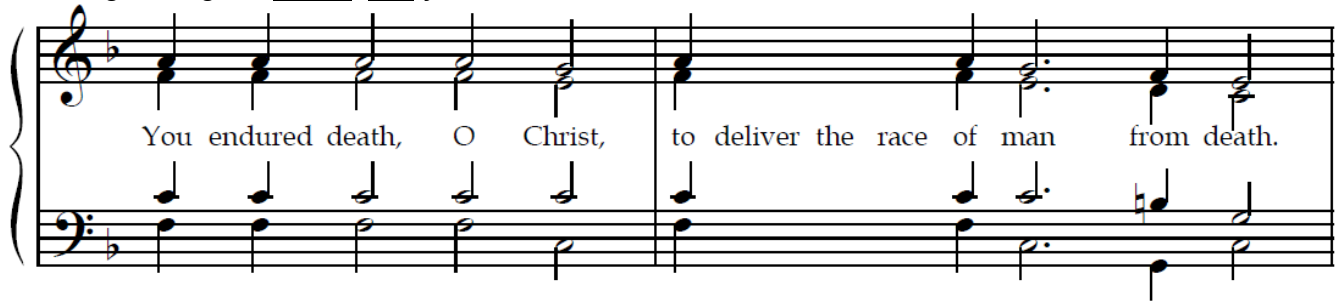
You are the changeless God,
Who, suffering in the flesh, were changed.
Creation could not endure seeing You on the Cross.
It was filled with fear while praising Your patience.

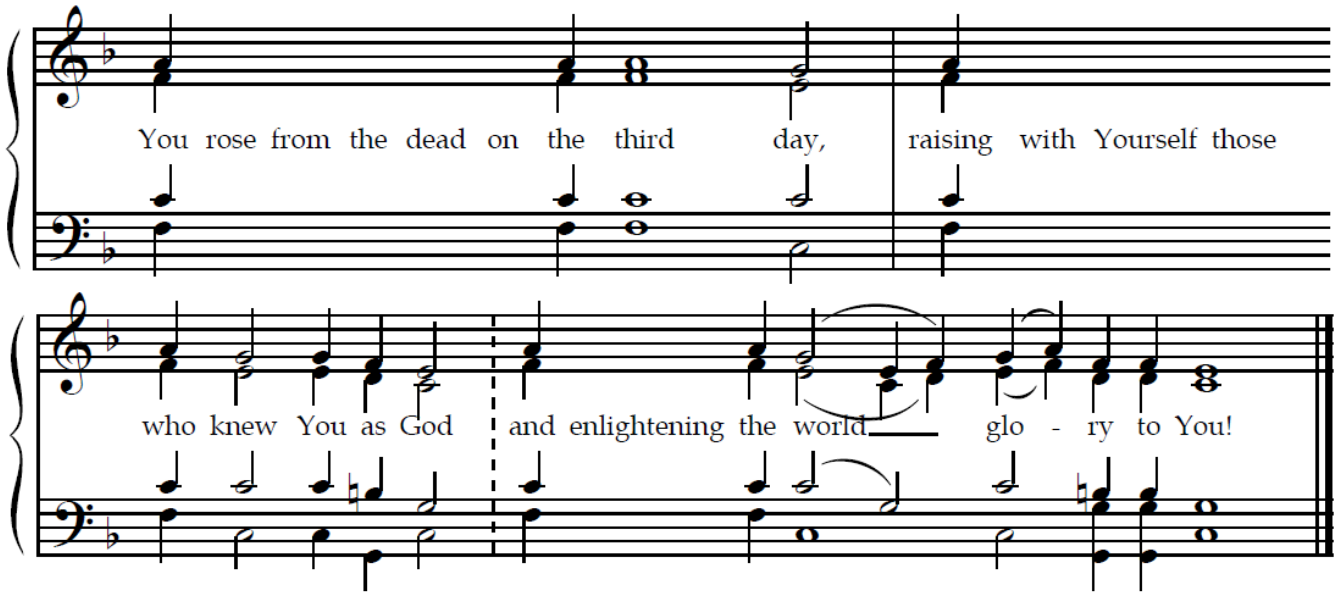
By descending to Hadesl and rising on the third day,//
You have granted to the world life and great mercy.



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

You endured death, O Christ,
to deliver the race of man from death.
You rose from the dead on the third day,
raising with Yourself those who knew You as God//
and enlightening the world. Glory to You!

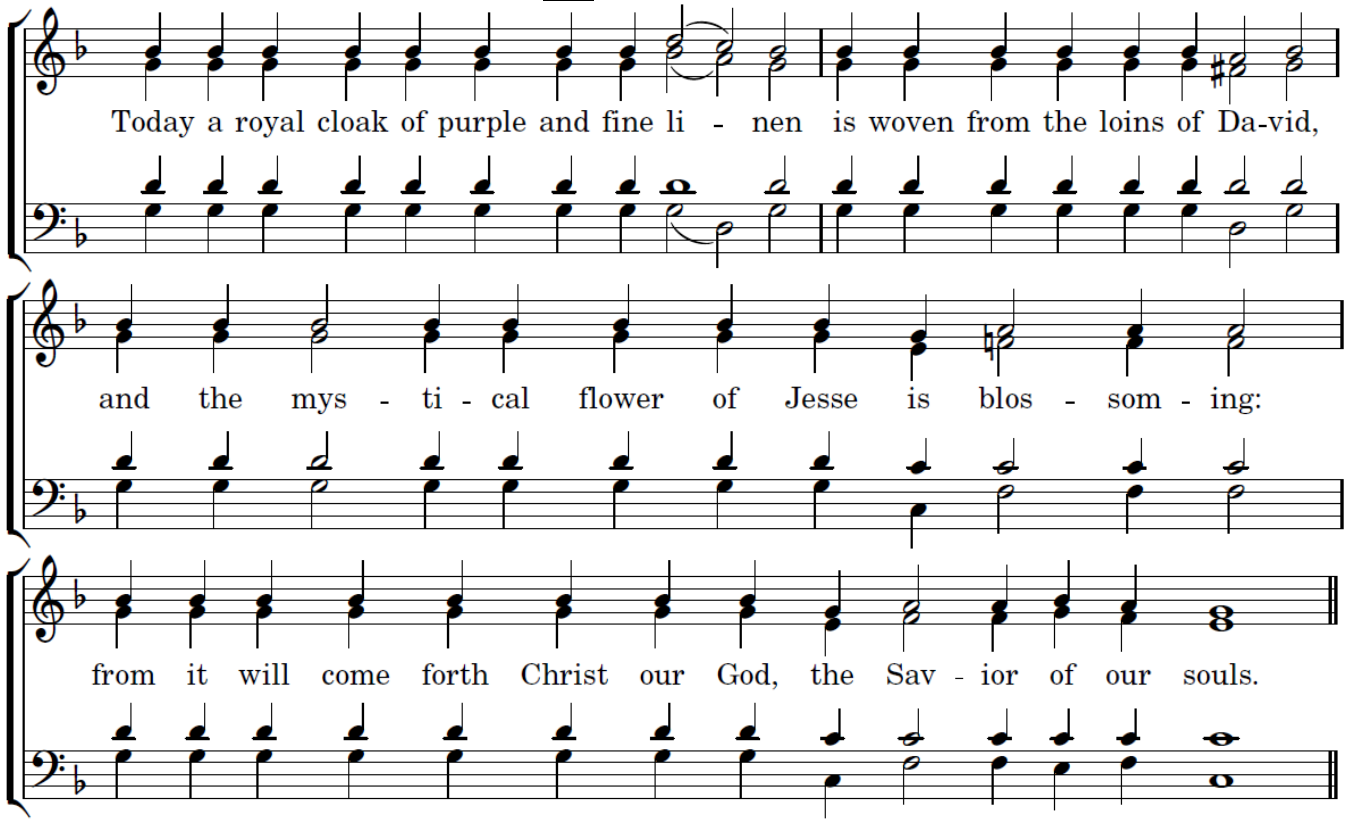




Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Tone 2 *(for the Conception)*

Today a royal cloak of purple and fine linen
is woven from the loins of David,
and the mystical flower of Jesse is blossoming://
from it will come forth Christ our God, the Savior of our souls.



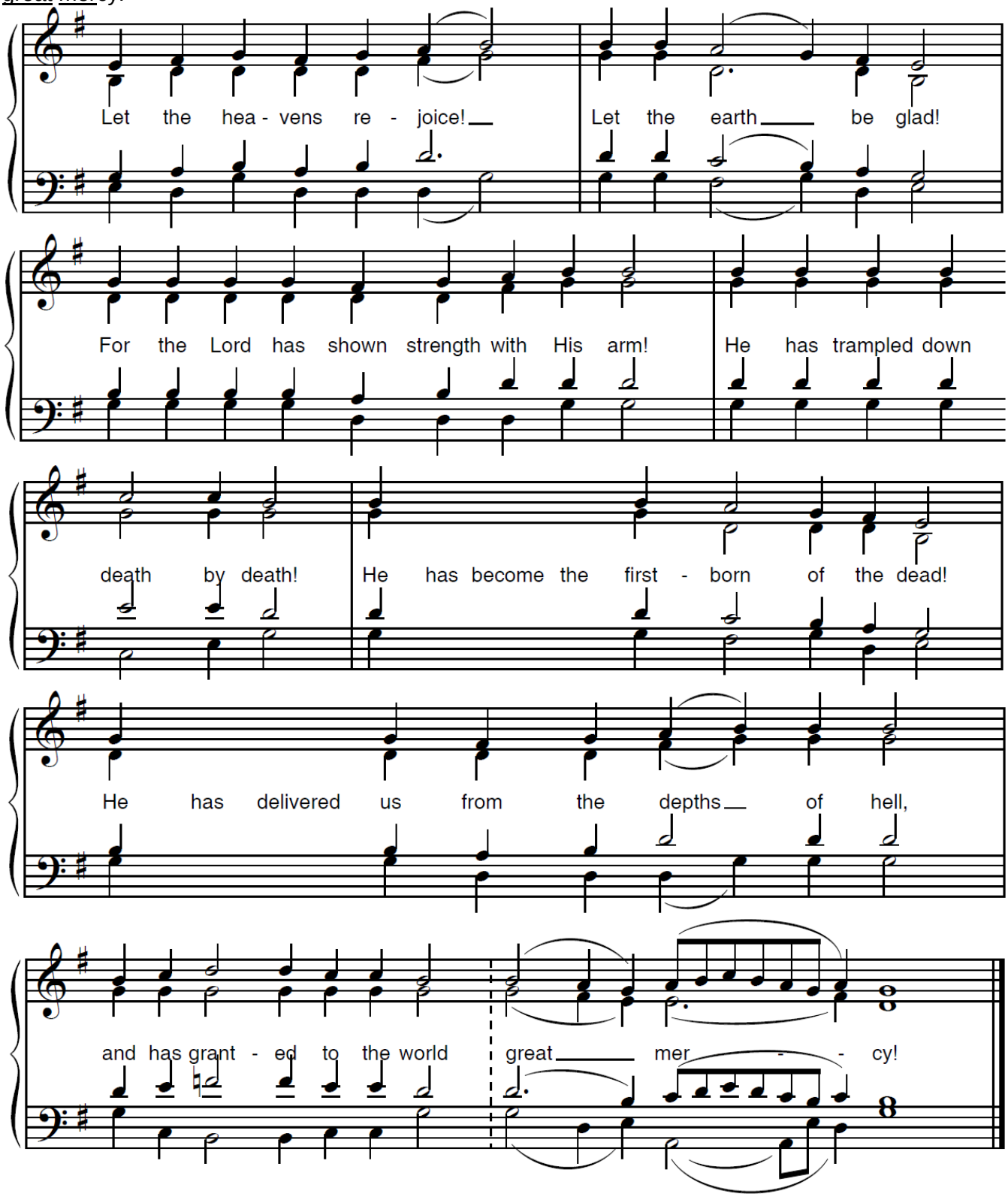
St. Symeon's Prayer (p. 25)

(at Great Vespers)

Tone 3 **Troparion** *(Resurrection)*

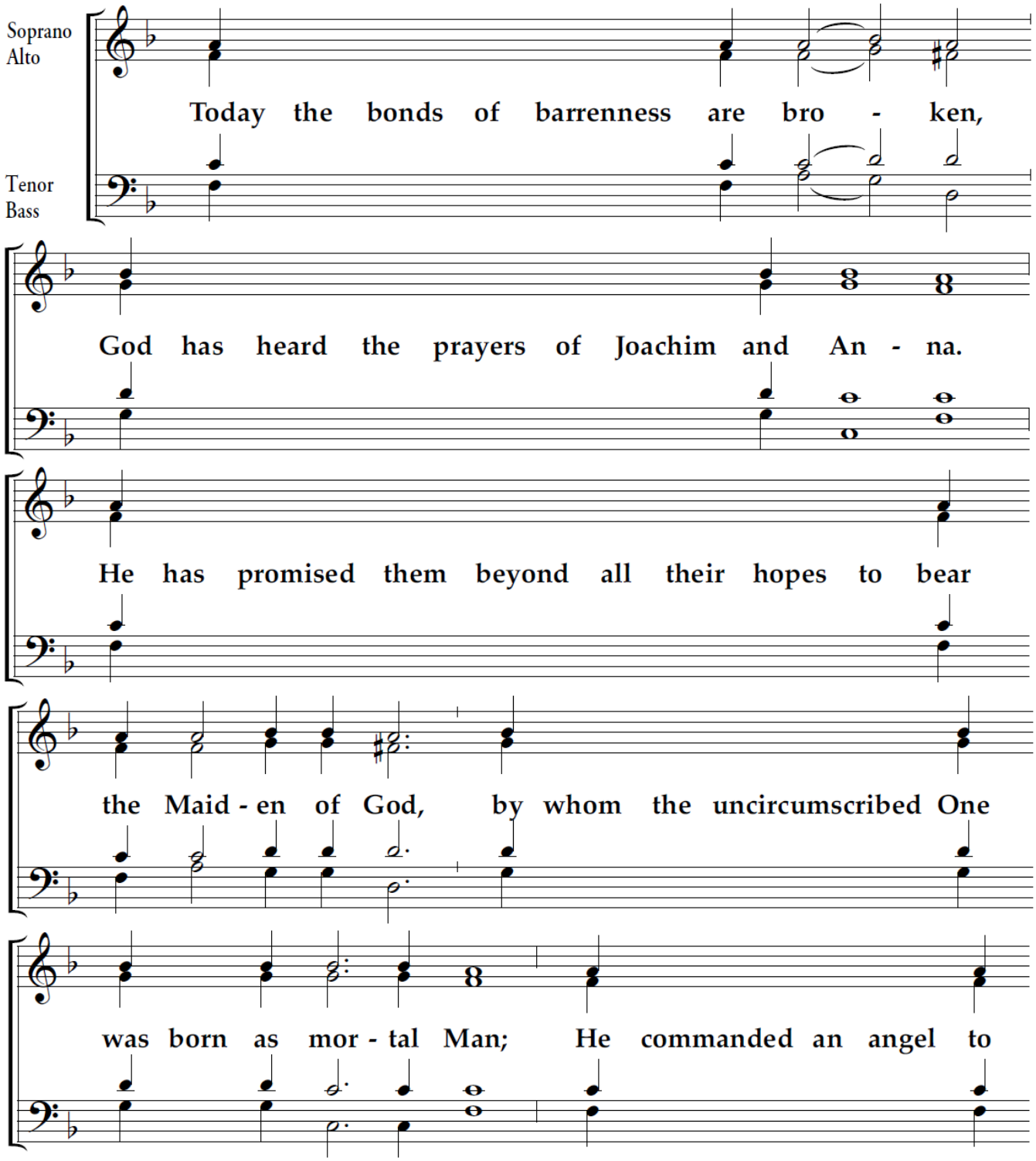
Resurrectional Troparion – Tone 3
Let the heavens rejoice!
Let the earth be glad!
For the Lord has shown strength with His arm.

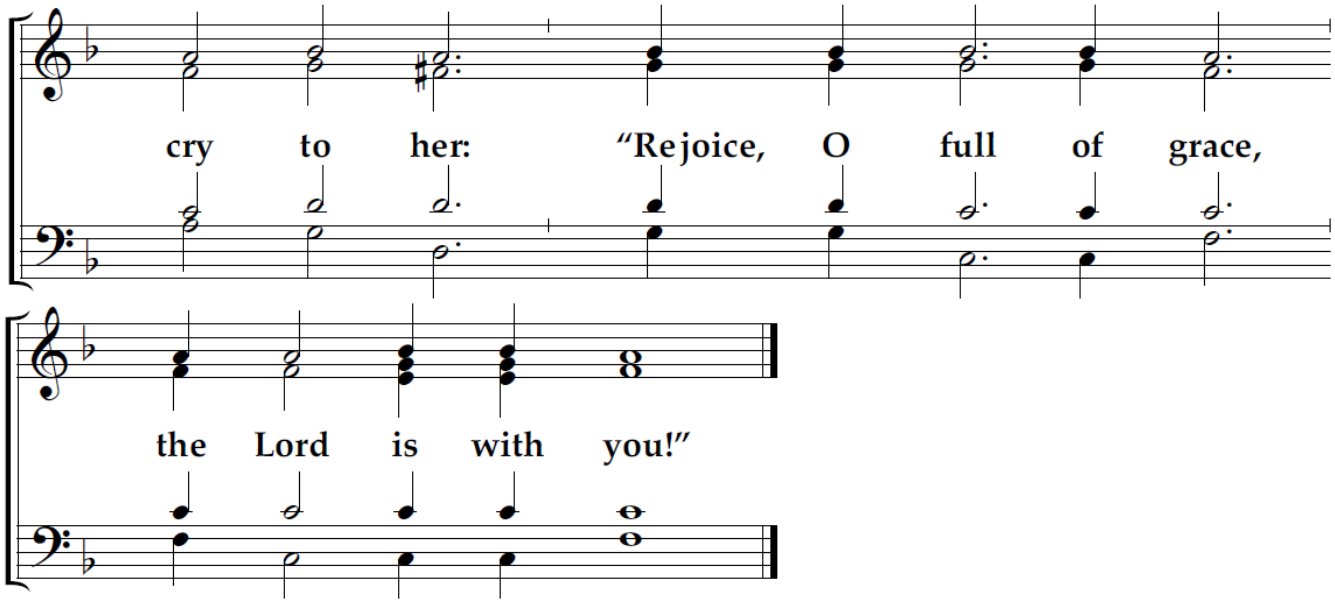
He has trampled down death by death.
He has become the first born of the dead.
He has delivered us from the depths of hell,
and has granted to the world//
great mercy.



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

(Troparion for the Conception – Tone 4)
Today the bonds of barrenness are broken:
God has heard the prayers of Joachim and Anna.
He has promised them beyond all their hopes to bear the Maiden of God,
by whom the Uncircumscribed One was born as a mortal Man;
He commanded an Angel to cry to her:
"Rejoice, of full of grace,
the Lord is with you!"





Then, the dismissal (p. 26)

(at the Divine Liturgy)

Tone 3 **Troparion** *(Resurrection)*

(Resurrectional Troparion – Tone 3)
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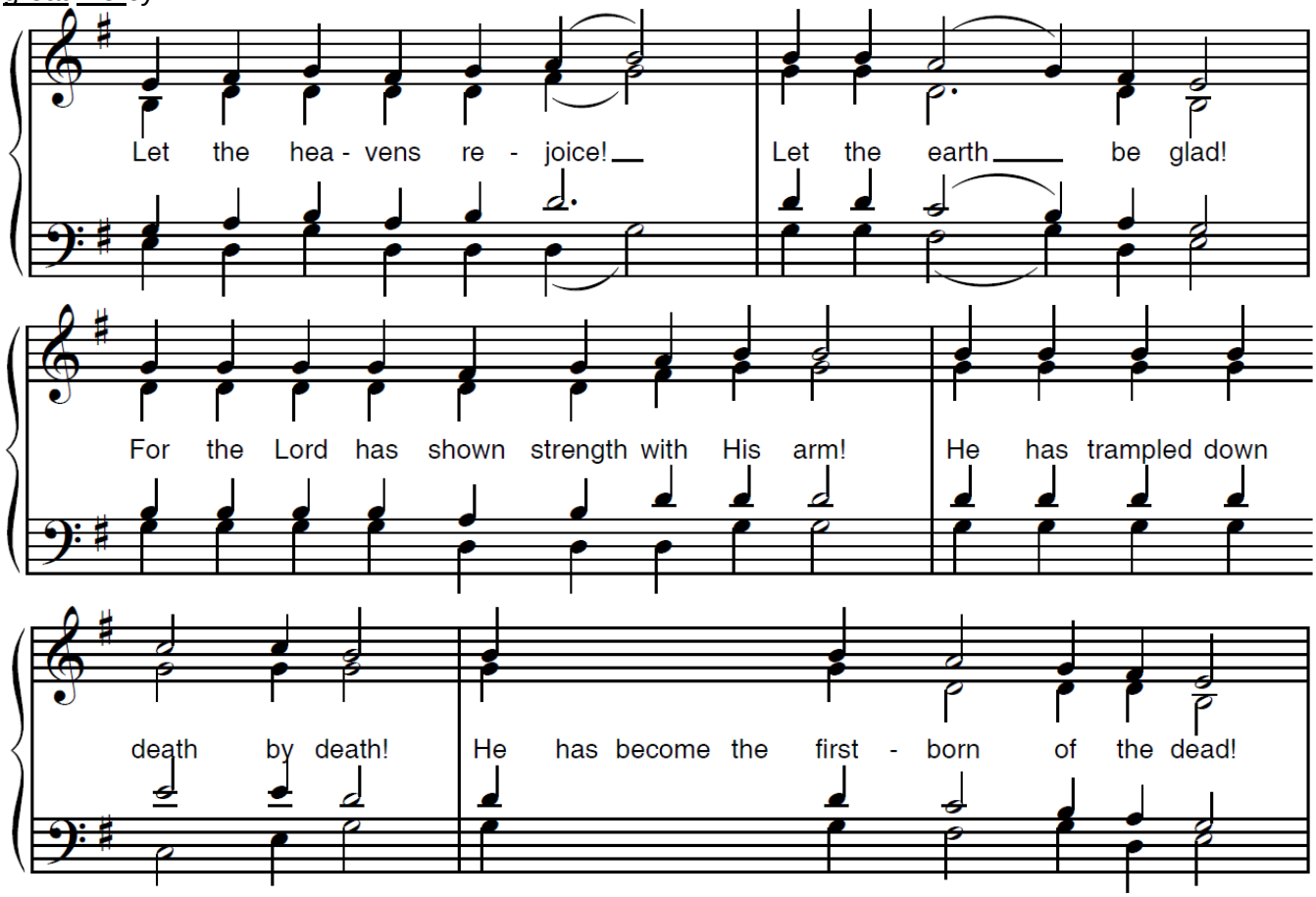

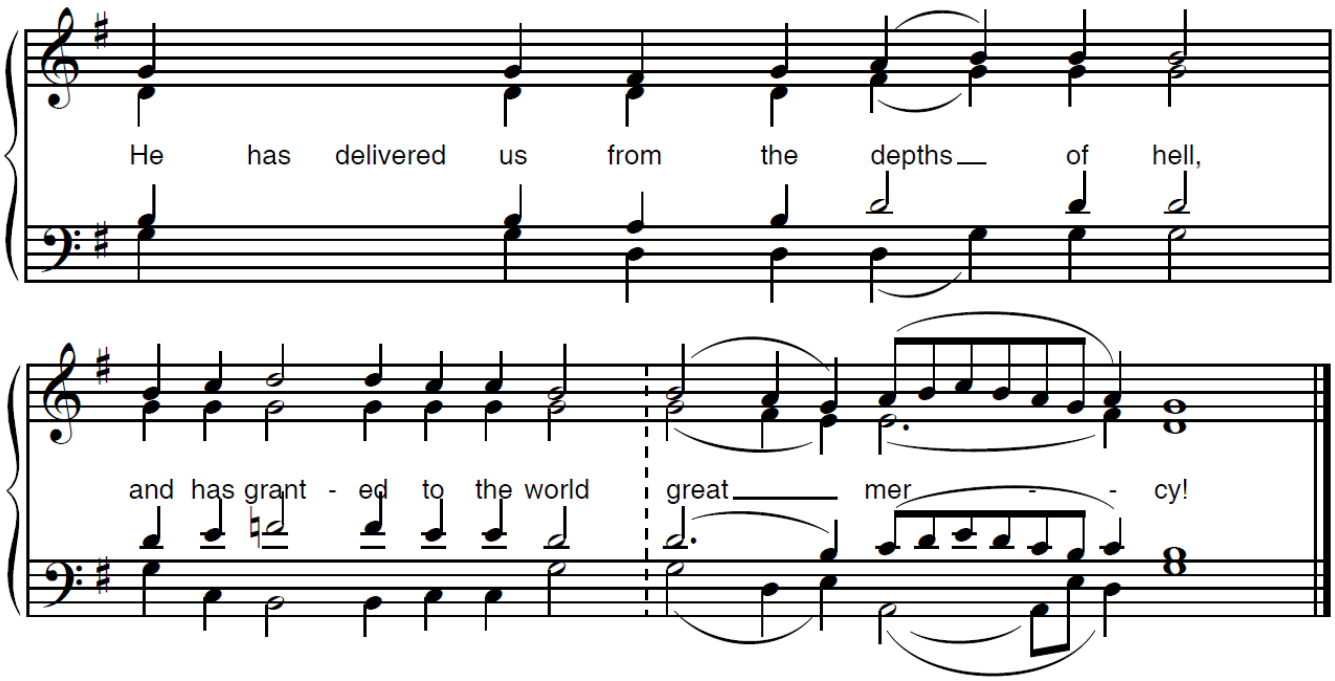

Tone 4 **Troparion** *(Conception of the Theotokos)*

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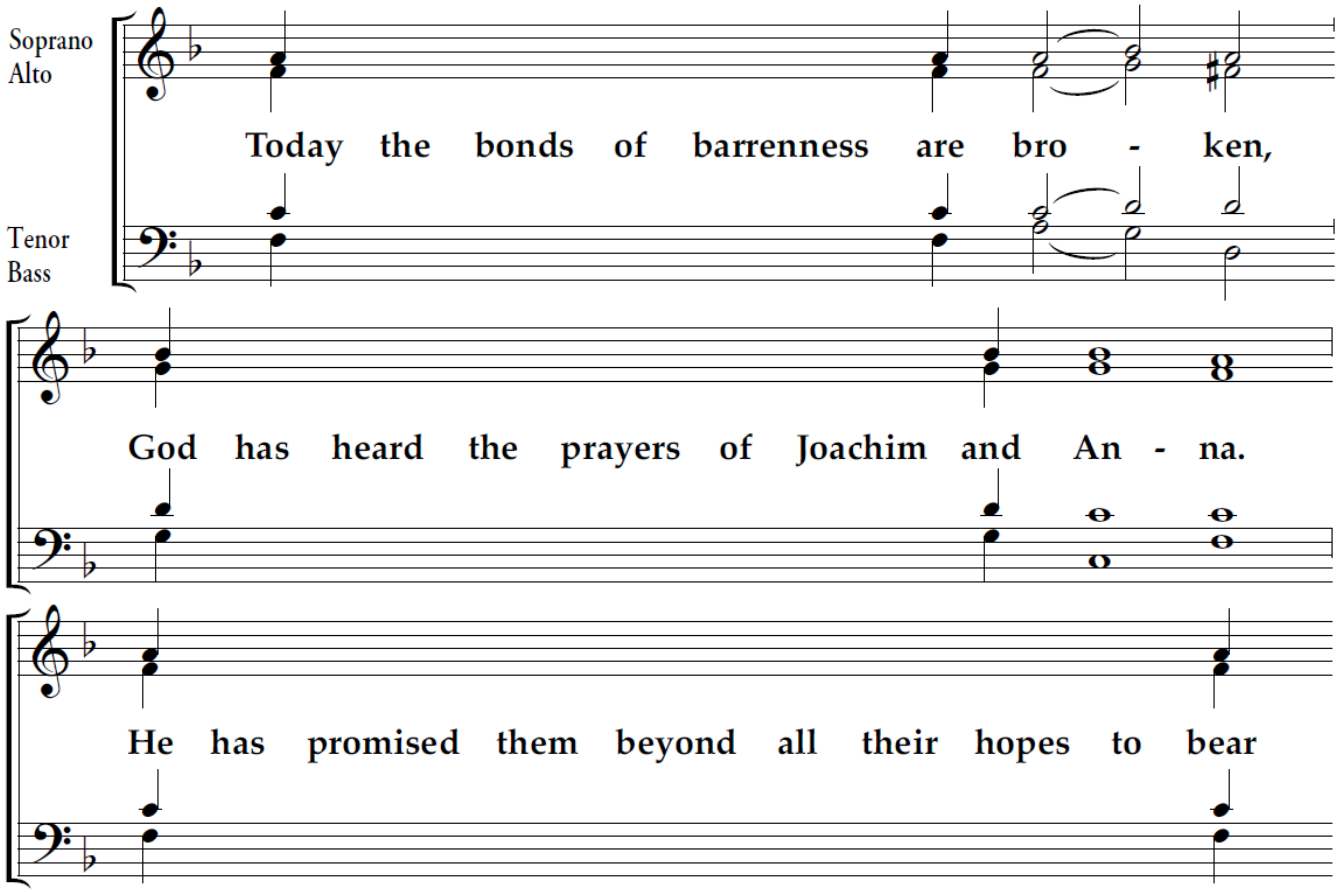
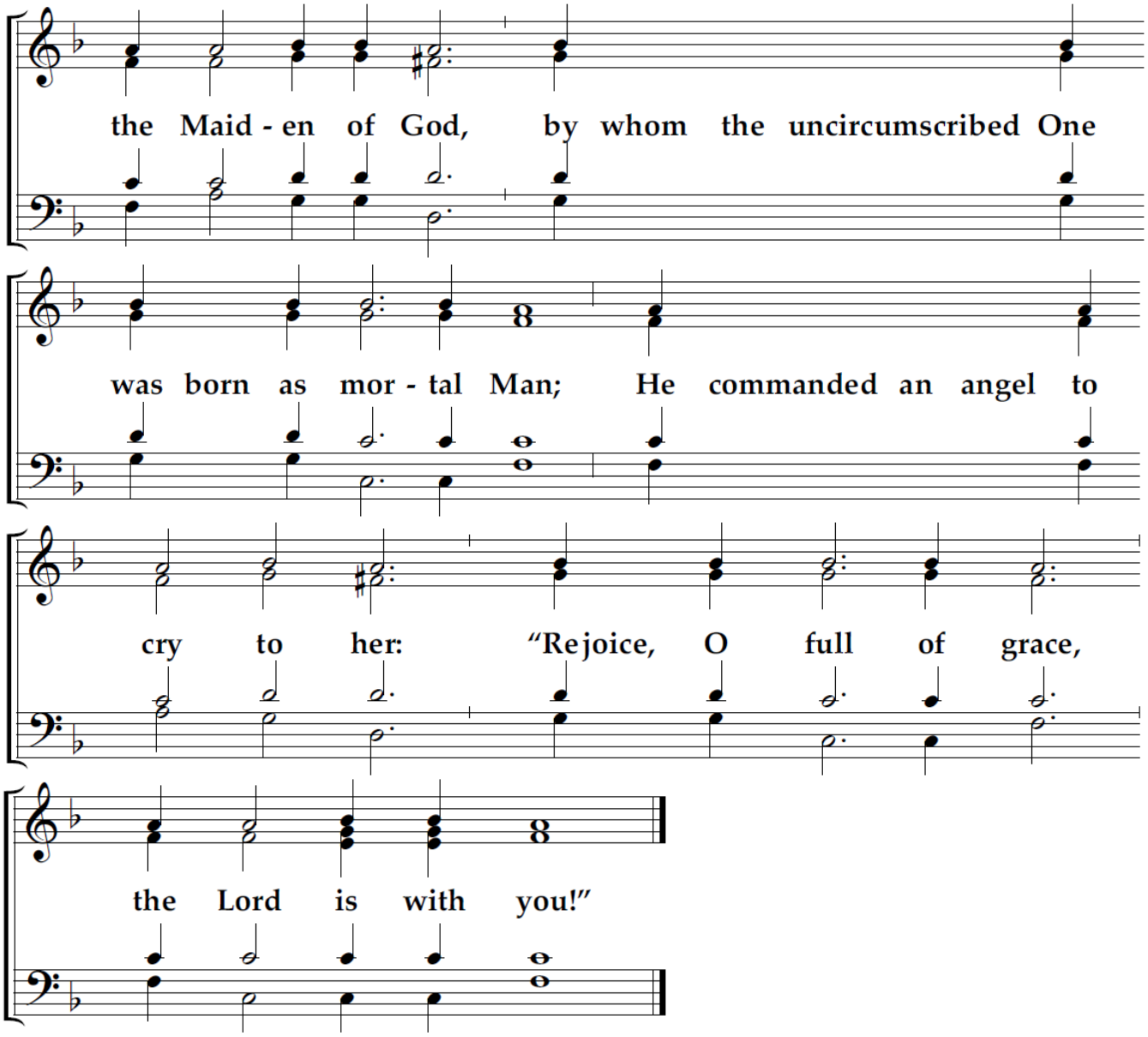
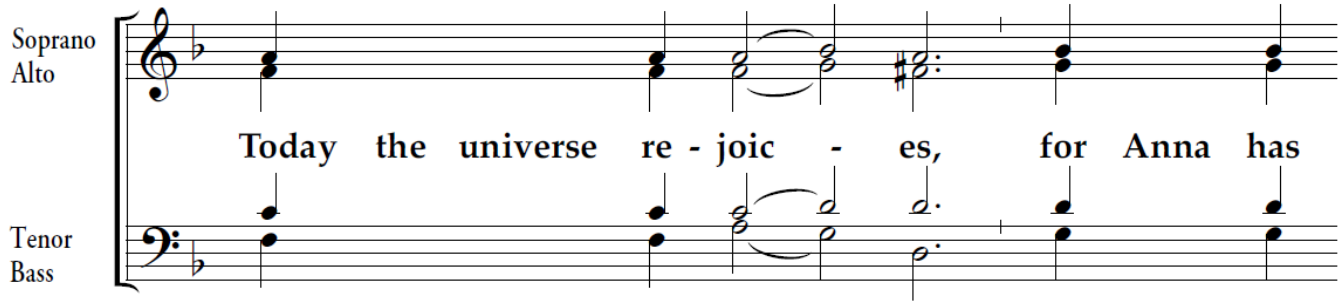


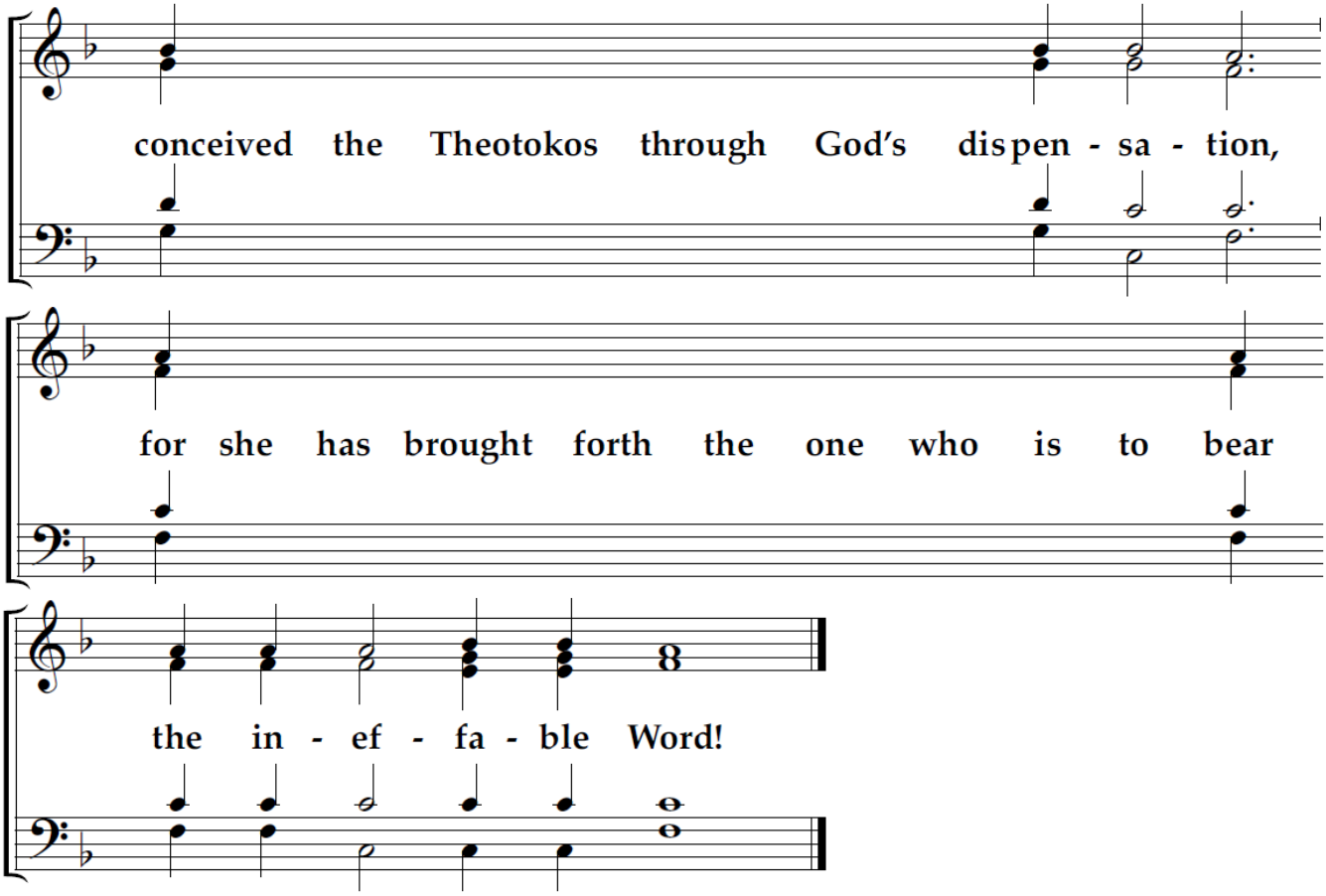


Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,

Tone 4 **Kontakion** *(Conception of the Theotokos)*

(Kontakion for the Conception – Tone 4)
Today the universe rejoices,
for Anna has conceived the Theotokos through God's dispensation,//
for she has brought forth the one who is to bear the ineffable Word.

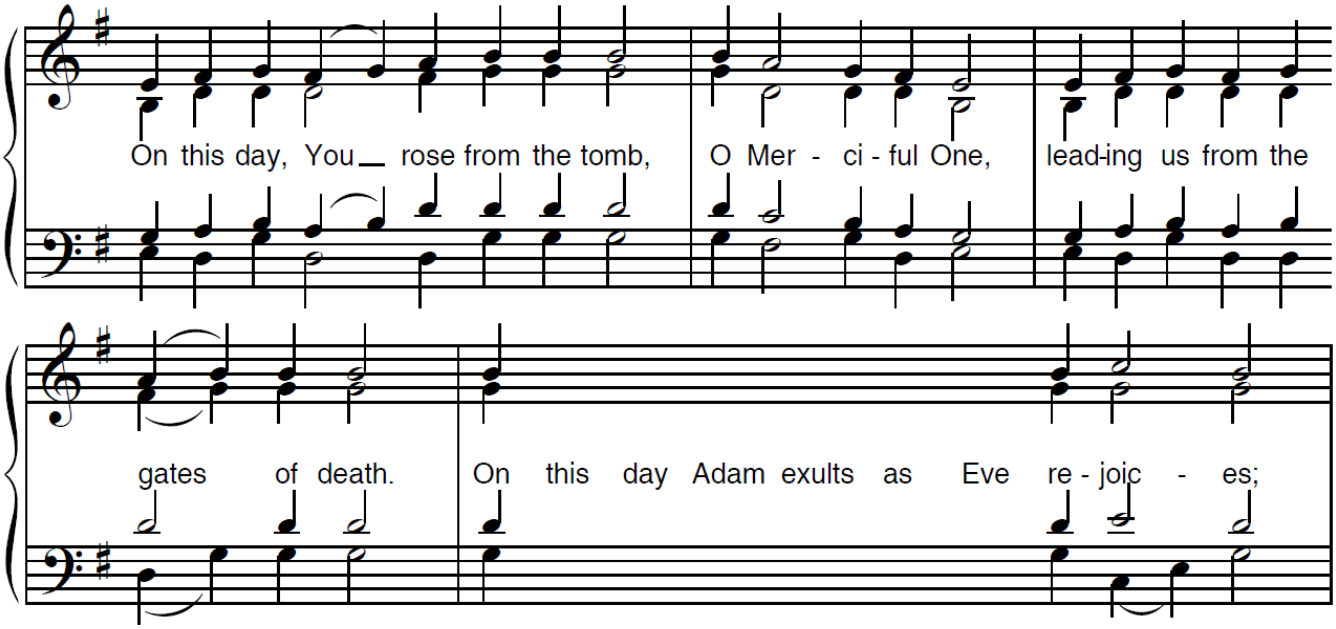


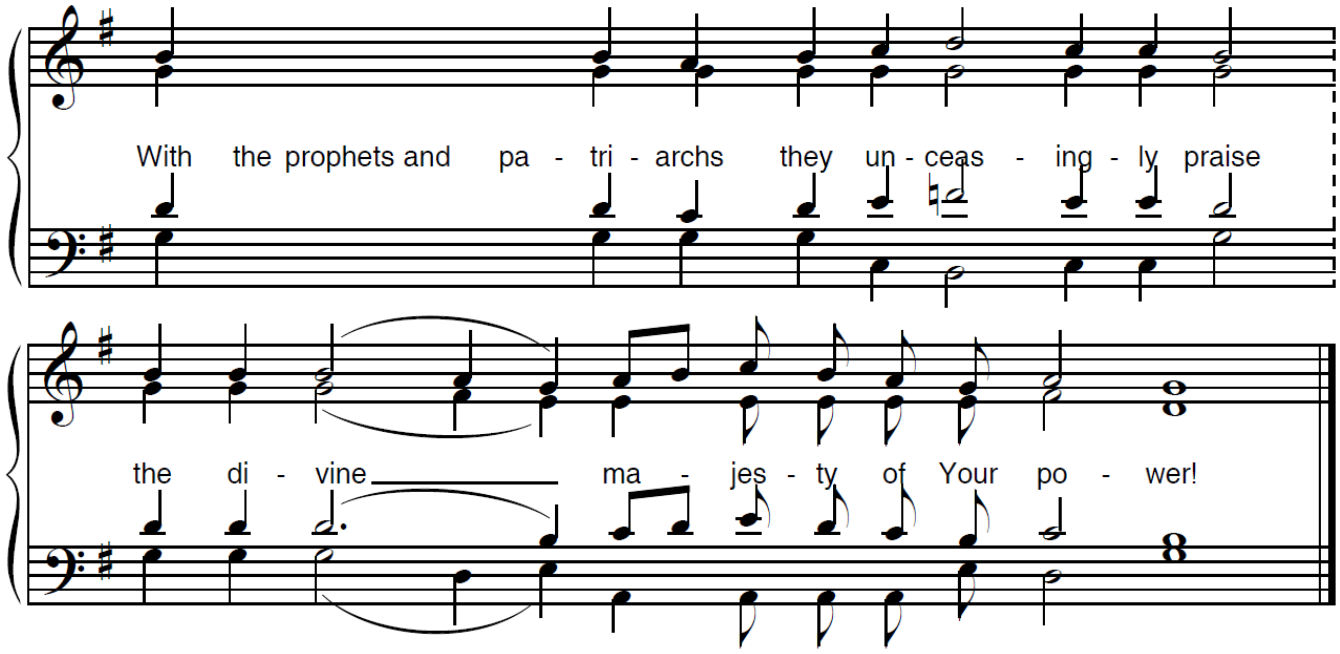


now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Tone 3 **Kontakion** *(Resurrection)*

(Resurrectional Kontakion – Tone 3)
On this day You rose from the tomb,
O Merciful One,
leading us from the gates of death.
On this day Adam exults as Eve rejoices;
with the Prophets and Patriarchs they unceasingly praise //
the divine majesty of Your power.





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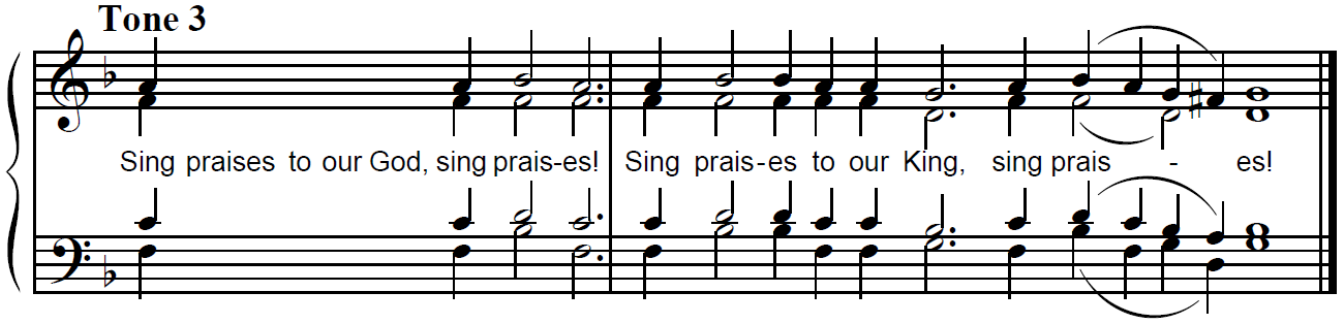
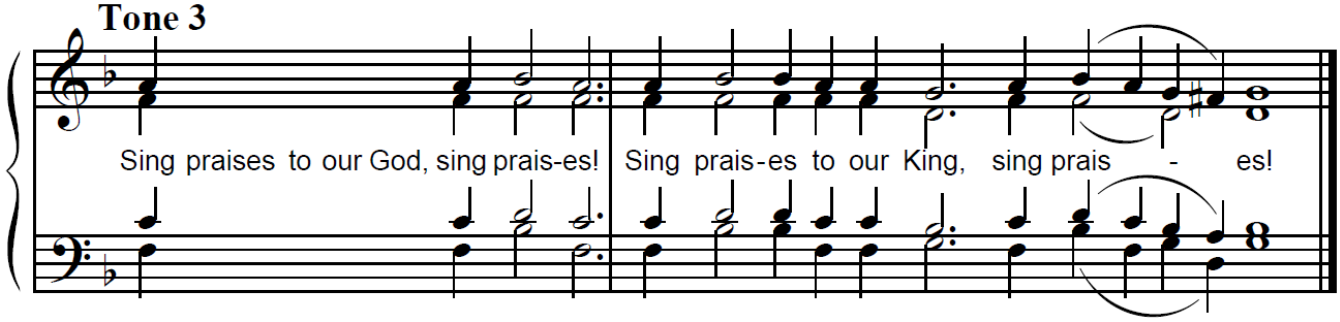
Tone 3 **Prokeimenon** *(Resurrection)*

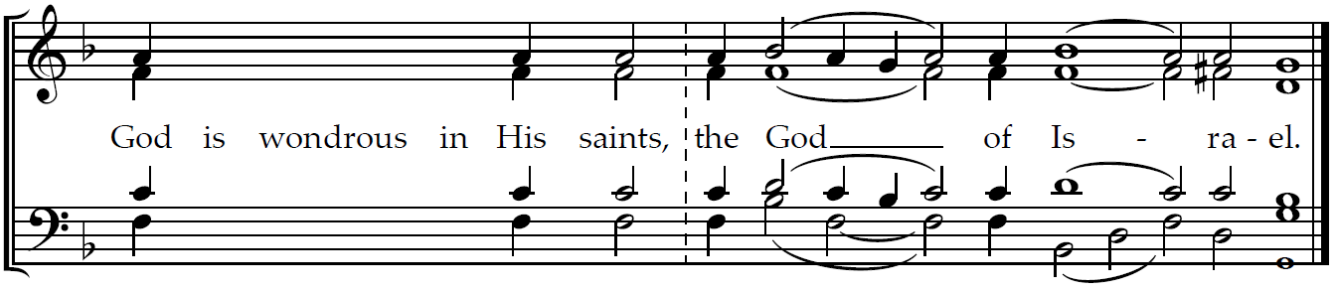
Prokeimenon, Tone 3
Priest: Let us attend! † Peace be unto all!
Reader: And with your spirit!
Priest: Wisdom!
Prokeimenon, Tone 3
Reader: The Prokeimenon, in the 3rd Tone: Sing praises to our God, sing praises! Sing praises to our King, sing praises!
Choir: Sing praises to our God, sing praises! Sing praises to our King, sing praises!



Reader: Clap your hands, all peoples! Shout to God with loud songs of joy!
Choir: Sing praises to our God, sing praises! Sing praises to our King, sing praises!



Reader: In the Fourth Tone, God is wonderful in His saints, the God of Israel.
Choir: God is wonderful in His saints, the God of Israel.



Deacon: Wisdom!

Epistle – (250) Colossians 1:12-18 and (210-ctr) Galatians 4:22-31 *(Conception of the Theotokos)*

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

Deacon: Let us attend!

Reader: Brothers and sisters, give thanks to God the Father, who has granted us to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has delivered us from the power of darkness, and translated us into the Kingdom of the Son of his love. In him, we have our redemption, the forgiveness of our sins.

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For in him, all things were created, in the heavens and on earth, things visible and invisible, thrones, dominions, principalities, and powers; all things have been created through him, and for him. He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the Church; he is the first cause, the firstborn from the dead, so that in all things he might have the first place.

Brothers and sisters, Abraham had two sons, one by the bondmaid, and one by the free woman. However, the son by the bondmaid was born according to the flesh, but the son by the free woman was born through a promise. These things contain an allegory which represents two covenants. One is from Mount Sinai, bearing children to slavery, and that is Hagar. Now Hagar is Mount Sinai in Arabia, and it corresponds to the Jerusalem that exists now, in slavery with her children. But the Jerusalem that is above is free, and the mother of us all. As it is written:

Rejoice, O barren woman who bears no child;
Break forth and shout, you that do not travail.
For the desolate has many more children than she who has a husband.

Brothers and sisters, we are – just as Isaac – children of promise; and it is now as it was then: the one who was born according to the flesh persecuted the one who was born according to the Spirit. So it is even now! However, what does the Scripture say?

Throw out the bondmaid and her son,
because the son of the bondmaid will not inherit with the son of the free woman.

And so, brethren, we are not children of a bondmaid, but children of the free woman!

Priest: † Peace be to you!

Alleluia: Tone 3

Reader: And to Your spirit. In the 3rd Tone: Alleluia, In You, O Lord, have I hoped; let me never be put to shame!

Choir: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Reader: Be a God of protection for me, a house of refuge in order to save me!

Choir: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Reader: In the First Tone, The salvation of the righteous is from the Lord, and He is their protector in time of affliction.

Choir: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Gospel – (85) Luke 17:12-19 and (36) Luke 8:16-21 *(Conception of the Theotokos)*

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

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

Priest: At that time, as Jesus entered into a certain village, ten men who were lepers met him, and they stood at a distance. They lifted up their voices, saying, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!”

When Jesus saw them, he told them, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.” And it happened that as they went, they were cleansed. One of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, glorifying God with a loud voice. He fell on his face at Jesus’ feet, giving him thanks; and this man was a Samaritan.

Jesus said, “Were not ten cleansed? But where are the nine others? Was no one found who came back to glorify God, except for this foreigner?” Then Jesus said to him, “Get up and go your way. Your faith has healed you!”

The Lord said, No one who has lit a lamp covers it with a lid, or puts it under a bed. Instead, it is put on a stand so that those who enter in may see the light! Nothing is hidden that will not be revealed. Nothing is secret that will not be known and come to light. Therefore, be careful how you hear. Whoever has will be given more; whoever does not have, even what he thinks he has will be taken from him.”

His mother and brothers came to him, but they could not come near him because of the crowd. It was reported to him, “Your mother and your brothers are standing outside, desiring to see you.”

But Jesus answered, “My mother and my brothers are those who hear the word of God and do it.”

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

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Communion Hymns

Praise the Lord from the heavens! Praise Him in the highest! Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous!
Praise befits the just! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!