

"Lord I Call..." - Tone 8

Reader: In the Eighth 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!

Soprano Alto

Tenor Bass

Lord, I call up - on You, hear — me. Hear me, O Lord!

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my — hands be an eve - ning sac - ri - fice. 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!*

We offer to You, O Christ,
our evening song and reasonable service,
for You willed to have mercy on us//
by Your Resurrection.

Two systems of musical notation for voice and piano. The first system contains the lyrics: "We of - fer to You, O Christ, our evening song and reasonable ser - vice!". The second system contains the lyrics: "For You willed to have mer - cy on us by Your Re - sur - rec - tion!". The piano accompaniment consists of chords in the right hand and a bass line in the left hand.

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

Lord, Lord, do not cast us away from Your face!
For You willed to have mercy on us//
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v. (8) *Out of the depths I cry to You, O Lord. Lord, hear my voice!*

Rejoice, holy Zion!
Mother of the churches, the abode of God!
For you were the first to receive remission of sins//
by the Resurrection.

Re-joice, O holy Zi - on! Mother of the churches, the a - bode_____ of God!

For you were the first to re-ceive re - mis - sion of sins by the Re-sur-rec - tion!

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

The Word of God the Father,
 begotten before the ages,
 in the latter times willed to be incarnate of the Virgin
 and endured crucifixion unto death.
 He has saved mortal man//
 by His Resurrection.

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and endured cruci-fi-xion un-to death. He has saved mor - tal man by His Re-sur-rec - tion!

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

(Idiomela)

(by Patriarch Germanus)

Simeon, tell us, Whom you bear in your arms,
 that you rejoice so greatly in the Temple?

To Whom do you shout and cry aloud:
 "Now I am set free, for I have seen my Savior?"
 This is He Who was born of a Virgin;
 this is God the Word, Who came forth from God,
 Who, for our sakes, has taken flesh and has saved man.//
 Let us worship Him!

Soprano
Alto

Sim - eon, tell us Whom you bear in your arms, that you rejoice so

Tenor
Bass

greatly in the Tem - ple? To Whom do you shout and cry a - loud:

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born of a Vir - gin! This is God the Word, Who came forth from God,

Who, for our sakes, has taken flesh and has saved man.// Let us wor - ship Him!

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.

Simeon, receive Him Whom Moses once beheld in darkness,
 granting the Law on Sinai,
 now that He has become a Babe subject to the Law!
 This is He Who spoke through the Law.
 This is He, of Whom the Prophets spoke,
 Who, for our sakes, has taken flesh and has saved man.//
 Let us worship Him!

Soprano
Alto

Tenor
Bass

Sim - eon, receive Him Whom Moses once beheld in dark-ness, grant-ing

the Law on Si - nai, now that He has become a Babe sub - ject

to the Law! This is He Who spoke through the Law. This is

He of Whom the Proph - ets spoke, Who, for our sakes has taken flesh

and has saved man.// Let us wor - ship Him!

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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granting the Law on Sinai,
now that He has become a Babe subject to the Law!
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and has saved_ man.// Let us wor - ship Him!

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

Come, let us also go to meet Christ with divine songs!
 Let us receive Him Whose salvation Simeon saw!
 This is He Whom David announced;
 this is He Who spoke in the Prophets,
Who, for our sakes, has taken flesh and Who speaks through the Law.//
 Let us worship Him!

Soprano
Alto

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Tenor
Bass

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

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

Tone 6

(by John the Monk)

Let the gate of heaven be opened today,
 for the unoriginate Word of the Father
 has made a beginning in time without forsaking His divinity.
 As a Babe forty days old,
 of His own will He is brought by the Virgin, His Mother,
 as an offering in the Temple of the Law.
 The Elder receives Him in his arms,
 crying as a servant to his Master:
 "Let me depart for my eyes have seen Your salvation!"//

Glory to You, O Lord, for You have come into the world to save mankind!

Soprano
Alto

Tenor
Bass

Let the gate of heaven be o - pened to - day, for the unoriginate Word

Detailed description: This system shows the vocal parts for Soprano and Alto (top staff) and Tenor and Bass (bottom staff). The music is in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are: "Let the gate of heaven be o - pened to - day, for the unoriginate Word".

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into the world to save the hu - man race!

Priest: Wisdom! Let us attend!

Choir: O Gladsome Light ... (p. 16)

Prokeimenon of the Day, three readings

Old Testament Readings

Composite 6 (Exodus 12:51-13:3; Lev 12:2-7; Num 8:16-17)

Isaiah 6:1-12

Composite 7 (Isaiah 19:1, 3, 4-5, 12, 16, 19-21)

Priest: Wisdom!

Reader: The Reading from the Second Book of Moses called Exodus.

Priest: Let us attend!

Reader: The Lord spoke to Moses on the day on which he brought the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt, saying, "Sanctify to me every first-born, first produced that opens every womb among the children of Israel". And Moses said to the people, "Remember this day, on which you came out of Egypt, from the house of slavery, for the Lord has brought you out from there with a mighty hand. And keep his law. And it shall be that when the Lord God brings you into the land of the Canaanites, in the way that he swore to your fathers, you shall set apart everything that opens the womb; the males to the Lord. But if after this your son asks you, saying, "What is this?", you shall say to him, "God brought us out of Egypt, from the house of slavery, with a mighty hand.

And when Pharaoh hardened his heart against sending us out, the Lord slew every first-born in the land of Egypt, from the first-born of humans to the first-born of animals. This is why I sacrifice everything that opens the womb; the males to the Lord, and every first-born of my sons I will redeem". And it shall be for a sign upon your hand, and immovable before your eyes, because thus said the Lord the Almighty, "All the first-born of your sons you shall give me.

And it shall be that everyone who gives birth to a male child shall circumcise the flesh of its foreskin on the eighth day. And for thirty three days he shall not come into the sanctuary of God to the Priest, until the days of purification are completed. And after this he shall offer an unblemished yearling lamb to the Lord for a holocaust, and a young pigeon or turtle dove to the Priest at the door of the Tabernacle of Witness. Or instead of these he shall offer two young pigeons or two turtle doves. And the Priest shall make atonement for him.

Because these have been offered to me as an offering out of all the children of Israel. And I have taken them and sanctified them for myself in place of the first-born of the Egyptians, on the day when I smote every first-born in the land of Egypt from human to beast of burden," said God the Most High, the Holy One of Israel.

Priest: Wisdom!

Reader: The Reading from the Prophecy of Isaiah.

Priest: Let us attend!

Reader: In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord, seated on a high and exalted throne. And the house was full of his glory. And Seraphim stood around him, the one having six wings and the other having six wings, and with two they covered their faces and with two the feet and with two they flew. And one cried to other and they said, "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord Sabaoth. The whole earth is full of his glory. " The threshold was lifted up at the voice with which they cried, and the house was filled with smoke. And I said, "Woe is me . For I am pricked to the heart, because I, a human being, and with unclean lips dwell among a people with unclean lips, and with my eyes I have seen the King, the Lord Sabaoth." And one of the Seraphim was sent to me, and in his hand he held a burning coal, which he had taken with tongs from the altar. And touched my mouth and said, "See, this has touched your lips and it shall take away your iniquities and cleanse your sins. " And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? And who will go to this people?" And I said, "See, here am I. Send me. " And he said, "Go, and say to this people, "You shall hear and not understand, and seeing, you shall see and not perceive. " For the heart of this people has grown fat, and they have heard with heavy ears and they have shut their eyes, lest perhaps they perceive with their eyes and hear with their ears and understand with their heart and turn back, and I will heal them. " And I said, "Until when, Lord?" And he said, "Until the cities are deserted from being inhabited and the houses from there being no people, and the land shall be abandoned as desert. And after this God will remove the people far away, and those who are left behind shall be multiplied on the land".

Priest: Wisdom!

Reader: The Reading from the Prophecy of Isaiah.

Priest: Let us attend!

Reader: See, the Lord will be seated on a light cloud and will come to Egypt and the idols of Egypt shall be shaken at his presence and their heart shall be wasted within them. "And their spirit shall be troubled within them, and I will frustrate their counsel and hand Egypt over into the hands of harsh

lords," says the Lord Sabaoth. And the Egyptians shall drink water that is beside the sea, while the river shall fail and be dried up. Thus says the Lord, "Where now are your wise men? And let them declare to you and let them say, "What has the Lord Sabaoth planned against Egypt?" On that day the Egyptians shall be like women, in fear and trembling in the presence of the hand of the Lord Sabbath, which he will bring against them. And there shall be an Altar to the Lord in the country of the Egyptians and a pillar to Lord at its border. And it shall be for a sign for ever to the Lord in the country of Egypt, because they shall cry to the Lord and he will send them a man who shall save them. And the Lord will be known to the Egyptians. And the Egyptians shall know the Lord in that day, and they shall offer sacrifice and gift, and they will vow vows to the Lord and pay them.

Then, the Augmented Litany (p. 18)

Aposticha – Tone 8

(for the Resurrection)

Descending from heaven to ascend the Cross,
the Eternal Life has come for death
to raise those who had fallen;
to enlighten those in darkness.//
O Jesus, our Savior and illuminator, glory to You!

De - scent - ing from heaven to as - cend the Cross, the eternal Life has
come for death to raise those who had fall - en; to enlighten
those in dark - ness! O Jesus, our Saviour and Illuminator, glo - ry to You!

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

We glorify Christ, who rose from the dead.
He accepted the human body and soul,
and freed both from sufferings.
His most pure soul descended to Hades, which He spoiled.
His holy body did not see corruption in the tomb.//
He is the Redeemer of our souls.

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cor - rup - tion in the tomb! He is the Re - deem - er of our souls!

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

In psalms and songs we glorify Your Resurrection from the dead, O Christ.
By it, You have freed us from the tortures of hell//
and as God have granted us eternal life and great mercy.

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By it, You have freed us from the tor - tures of hell,

and as God have granted us eternal life and great mer - cy!

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

O Master of all, incomprehensible Creator of heaven and earth,
by Your suffering on the Cross You have gained passionlessness for me.
Accepting burial and arising in glory,
You resurrected Adam with Yourself by Your almighty hand.
Glory to Your rising on the third day!
By it You have granted us eternal life and cleansing of sins//
as the only compassionate One.

O Ma - ster of all, incomprehensible Creator of hea - ven and earth!

By Your suffering on the Cross You have gained pas - sion - less - ness for me!

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life and clean - sing of sins as the only com - pas - sion - ate One!

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

Tone 8

(by Andrew of Crete)

He Who is borne on high by the Cherubim

and praised in hymns by the Seraphim
 is brought today according to the holy Temple
 and rests in the arms of the Elder as on a throne.
 From Joseph He receives gifts fitting for God:
 a pair of doves, a symbol of the spotless Church
 and of the newly chosen people of the Gentiles,
 and two young pigeons,
 for He is the originator of the two Covenants, both Old and New.
 Simeon, now granted the fulfillment of the prophecies concerning himself,
 blesses the Virgin and Theotokos Mary.
 He foretells in figures the Passion of her Son.
 From Him he begs release, crying aloud:
 "Now, Master, let me depart as You have promised me,
 for I have seen the pre-eternal Light//
 and the Lord and Savior of the people who bear the name of Christ!"

Soprano
Alto

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Tenor
Bass

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 ter - nal Light and the Lord and Savior of the people who
 bear the name of Christ."

St. Simeon's Prayer (p. 25)

(at Great Vespers)

Tone 8

Troparion

(Resurrection)

(Resurrectional Troparion – Tone 8)

You descended from on high, O Merciful One!

You accepted the three day burial to free us from our sufferings!!!

O Lord, our Life and Resurrection, glory to You!

You de - scend - ed from on high, O Mer - ci - ful One!

You ac-cept-ed the three-day burial to free us from our suf - fer - ings!

O Lord, our Life and Re - sur - rec - tion: Glo - ry 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

(Feast)

(Troparion for the Feast – Tone 1)

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 - joi - ce, O Vir - gin The - o - to - kos, Full of Grace!

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

enlightening those who sat in dark - ness! Re - joi - ce 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.

Then, the dismissal (p. 26)

(at the Divine Liturgy)

NOTE: At the Entrance, "O Come let us worship" is not sung today. In its place the Deacon exclaims the Entrance Verse:

Introit: The Lord has made known His salvation; He has revealed His righteousness before the nations.

Tone 8

Troparion

(Resurrection)

(Resurrectional Troparion – Tone 8)

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O Lord, our Life and Resurrection, glory to You!

The musical score consists of three systems of piano accompaniment. Each system has a treble and bass clef staff. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first system covers the first line of text, the second system covers the second line, and the third system covers the third line. The music is in a simple, homophonic style with a steady rhythm.

Tone 1

Troparion

(Feast)

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From you shone the Sun of Righteousness, Christ our God, enlightening those who sat in darkness.

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you accepted in your arms the Redeemer of our souls,//

Who grants us the Resurrection!

The musical score is for a four-part vocal setting. It includes staves for Soprano, Alto, Tenor, and Bass, along with piano accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the vocal staves. The music is in a simple, homophonic style with a steady rhythm.

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 1

Kontakion

(Feast)

(Kontakion for the Feast – Tone 1)

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

Now You have come and saved us through love.

Grant peace to all Orthodox Christians,

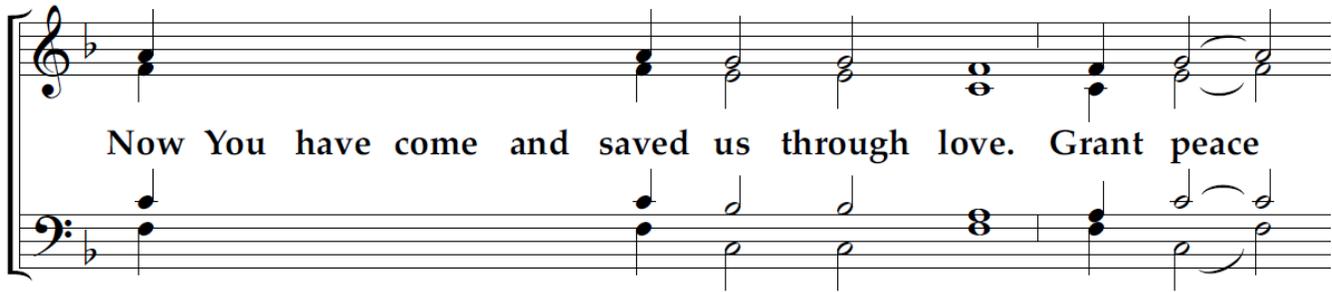
O only Lover of Man!

Soprano
 Alto
 Tenor
 Bass

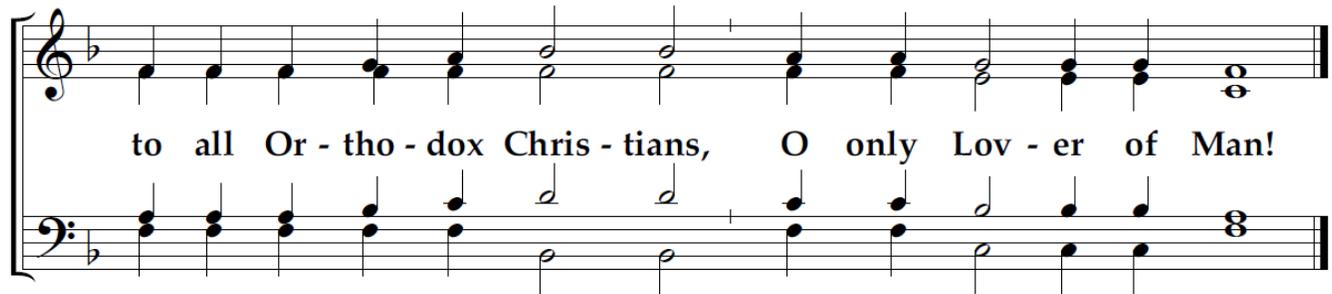
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Vir - gin's womb! And blessed Simeon's hands, O Christ God.



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



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

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

Tone 8

Kontakion

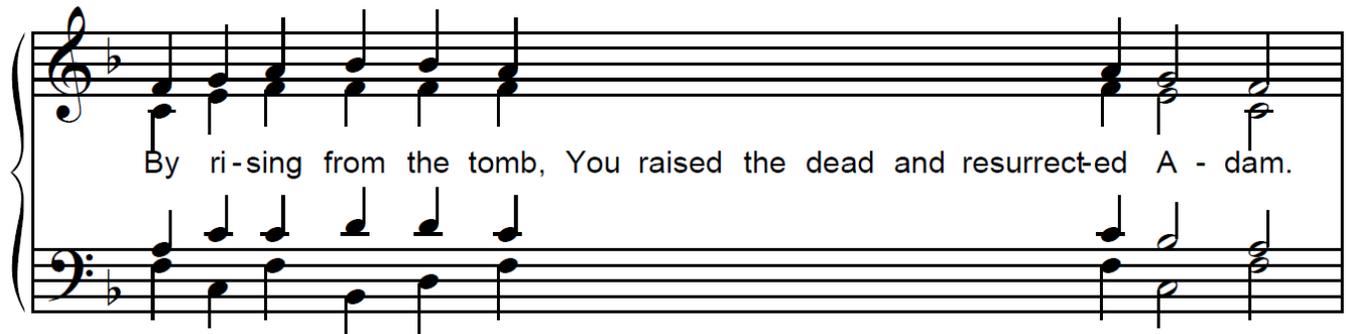
(Resurrection)

(Resurrectional Kontakion – Tone 8)

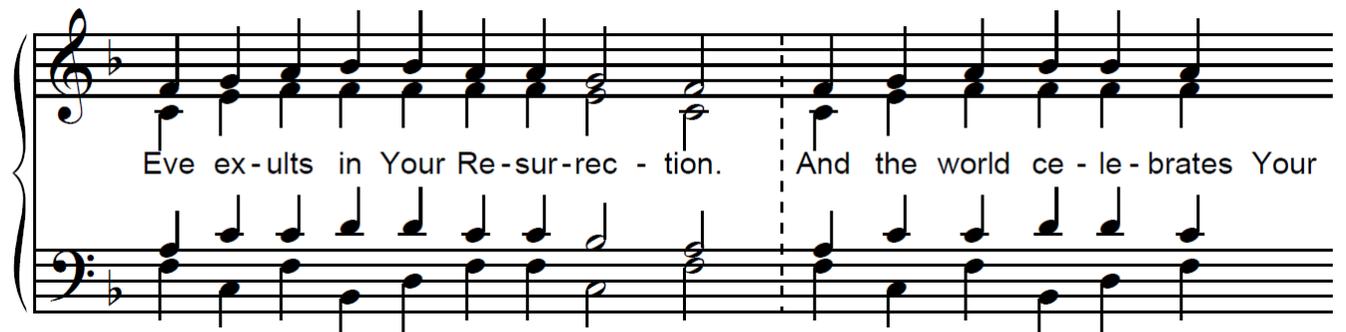
By rising from the tomb, You raised the dead and resurrected Adam.

Eve exults in Your Resurrection,

and the world celebrates Your rising from the dead, O greatly Merciful One!



By ri-sing from the tomb, You raised the dead and resurrect-ed A - dam.



Eve ex-ults in Your Re-sur-rec - tion. And the world ce - le - brates Your

rising from the dead, O great - ly Mer - ci - ful One!

(then, p. 83)

Tone 8

Prokeimenon

(Resurrection)

Prokeimenon, Tone 8

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

Reader: And with your spirit!

Priest: Wisdom!

Reader: The Prokeimenon, in the 8th Tone: Pray and make your vows before the Lord, our God!

Choir: Pray and make your vows before the Lord, our God!

Pray and make your vows be - fore the Lord our God!

Reader: In Judah God is known; His name is great in Israel.

Choir: Pray and make your vows before the Lord, our God!!

Pray and make your vows be - fore the Lord our God!

Reader: In the Third Tone, the Song of the Theotokos, My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior.

Choir: My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior.

Soprano
Alto

Tenor
Bass

My soul mag - ni - fies the Lord and my spirit



Deacon: Wisdom!

Epistle: (316) Hebrews 7:7-17 (*Feast*) and (285-ctr) 1 Timothy 4:9-15

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

Deacon: Let us attend!

Reader: Brothers and sisters, nobody will question that the lesser is blessed by the greater. Here, the tenth is collected by men who die; but in the other case, by him who is declared to be living. We can say that through Abraham even Levi (who would later receive tithes), had paid tithes, for he was still 'in the body' of his ancestor when Melchizedek met him. Now if perfection had come through the Levitical priesthood (under which the people received the law), what further need would there be for another priest to arise according to the order of Melchizedek and not that of Aaron? And as the priesthood is being changed, there is also, by necessity, a change in the law as well. So our Lord, of whom these things were said, belongs to another tribe, one from which no one has served at the altar. It is clear indeed that our Lord came from the tribe of Judah, about which Moses spoke nothing concerning priesthood. This is even more obvious if after the likeness of Melchizedek, another priest was to rise, one who was not made in virtue of a law of physical descent but according to the power of an indestructible life. For he testifies:

*You are a priest forever,
according to the order of Melchizedek.*

My son Timothy: This saying is faithful and worthy of all acceptance. For this purpose, we both work hard and experience rejection, because we have placed our trust in the living God who is the Savior of all, especially of those who believe. Command and teach these things.

Let no one despise your youth, but be an example for those who believe: in speech, in your way of life, in love, in spirit, in faith, and in purity. Until I come, devote yourself to public reading, encouragement, and teaching. Do not neglect the gift that is in you, which was given to you by prophecy with the laying on of the hands of the council of presbyters. Be attentive in these things. Give yourself to them completely, so that your progress may be manifest to all.

Priest: † Peace be to you!

Alleluia: Tone 8

Reader: And to Your spirit. In the 8th Tone: Alleluia, Come, let us rejoice in the Lord! Let us make a joyful noise to God our Savior!

Choir: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Reader: Let us come before His face with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise!

Choir: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Reader: In the Same Tone, Lord, now let Your servant depart in peace, according to Your word!

Choir: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Gospel: (7) Luke 2:22-40 (*Feast*) and (94) Luke 19:1-10

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

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

Priest: At that time, when the days of their purification according to the law of Moses were fulfilled, Joseph and Mary brought Jesus up to Jerusalem, to present him to the Lord. (For it is written in the law of the Lord, "Every male who opens the womb shall be called holy to the Lord"). They also brought him to offer a sacrifice according to what is said in the law of the Lord, "A pair of turtledoves, or two young pigeons."

Behold, there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon. This man was righteous and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's anointed. He came in the Spirit

into the temple. The parents brought in the child Jesus in order to do according to the custom of the law concerning him. Then Simeon took Jesus in his arms and blessed God, saying,

*Now you let your servant depart in peace, Master,
according to your word,
for my eyes have seen your salvation,
which you have prepared before the face of all peoples;
a light to enlighten the Gentiles,
and the glory of your people Israel.*

Joseph and his mother were wondering at the things which were spoken concerning him. Simeon blessed them and said to Mary, his mother,

*Behold, this child is set for the falling and the rising of many in Israel,
and as a sign which is spoken against.
Yes, a sword will pierce through your own soul,
so that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed.*

There was a certain Anna, a prophetess, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher (she was of a great age, having lived with a husband seven years from her virginity, and she had been a widow for about eighty-four years), who did not depart from the temple, offering divine service with fastings and petitions night and day. Coming up at that very hour, she gave thanks to the Lord and spoke of Jesus to all those who were looking for redemption in Jerusalem.

When Joseph and Mary had accomplished all things that were according to the law of the Lord, they returned into Galilee, to their own city, Nazareth. The child was growing, and was becoming strong in spirit, being filled with wisdom, and the grace of God was upon him.

At that time, Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through town. There was a man named Zacchaeus who was a chief tax collector, and he was rich. He was trying to see who Jesus was, and could not because of the crowd, for he was short. He ran on ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see Jesus, who was about to pass that way. When Jesus came to the place, he looked up, saw Zacchaeus, and said to him, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down, for today I must stay at your house!" He hurried, came down, and received Jesus with joy. But when the people saw it, they all grumbled, saying, "He has gone in to stay with a man who is a sinner!"

Zacchaeus stood up and said to the Lord, "Behold, Lord, half of my goods I give to the poor. And if I have wrongfully obtained money from anyone, I restore four times as much!"

Then Jesus said to him, "Today, salvation has come to this house, because he, too, is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek and to save what was lost."

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

Sermon

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(Instead of "It is truly meet...", we sing in Tone 3:)

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

In the shadow and letter of the Law,

let us, the faithful, discern a figure:

every male [child] that opens the womb is holy to God.

Therefore we magnify the firstborn Word of a Father Who has no beginning, //

the Son firstborn of a Mother who had not known man.

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:

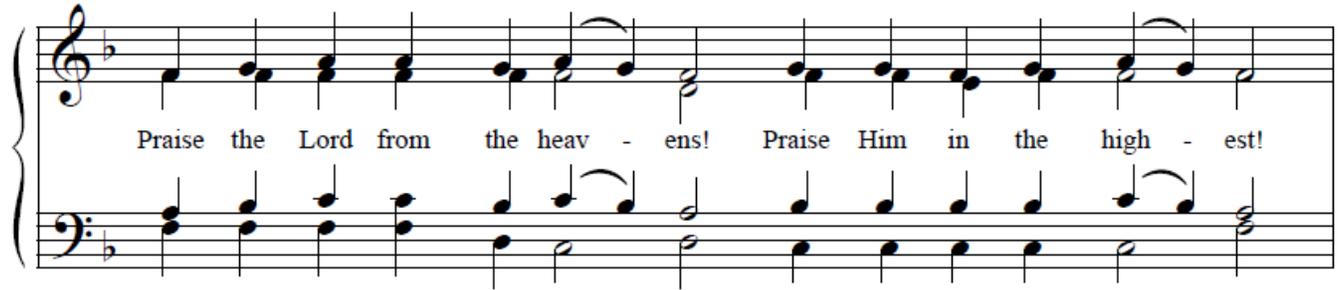
e - v'ry male child that opened the womb was ho - ly to God.

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

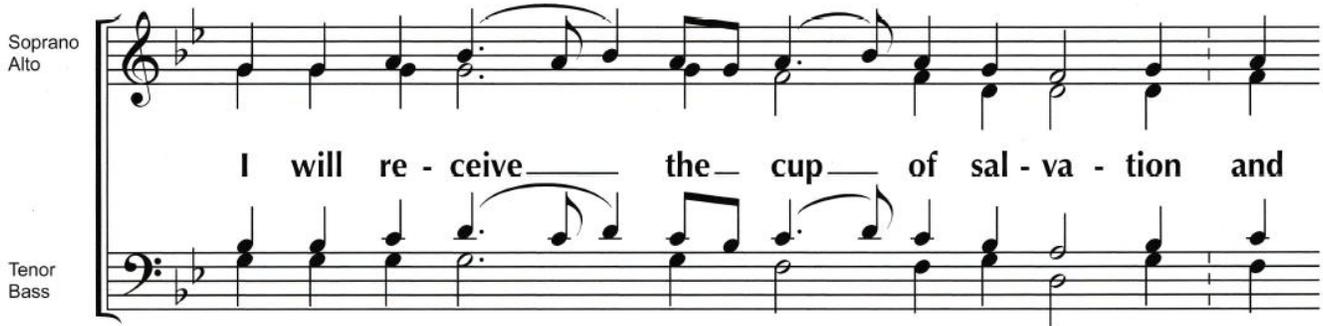
the first - born Son of the un - wed - ded Moth - - - er!

Communion Hymn

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!



Praise the Lord from the heav - ens! Praise Him in the high - est!



Soprano
Alto
Tenor
Bass

I will re - ceive the cup of sal - va - tion and



call on the Name of the Lord.

1. What shall I render to the Lord for all His bounty to me?
2. I will pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of all His people.
3. Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints.
4. O Lord, I am Your servant; I am Your servant, the son of Your handmaid. You have loosed my bonds.
5. I will offer to You the sacrifice of thanksgiving and call on the name of the Lord.
6. I will pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of all His people.
7. In the courts of the house of the Lord, in your midst, O Jerusalem!



Al - le - lu -

ia, — Al - le - lu - ia, — Al - le - lu - ia.

The image shows a musical score for a vocal piece. It consists of two staves: a vocal line in the treble clef and a piano accompaniment in the bass clef. The key signature has one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The vocal line begins with a dotted quarter note followed by a quarter note, then a half note, and continues with a series of quarter and eighth notes. The piano accompaniment provides a harmonic foundation with chords and moving lines. The lyrics 'ia, — Al - le - lu - ia, — Al - le - lu - ia.' are written below the vocal staff. The score ends with a double bar line.