

"Lord I Call..." – Tone 6

Reader: In the Sixth 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!

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

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

Tone 6

(Having placed all their hope)

As the Cross is lifted on high,
it urges all of creation
to praise the undefiled Passion of Christ, Who was lifted up on it.
For by the Cross He killed the one who killed us,
and brought us back to life when we were dead.
He adorned us in beauty,
and in His compassion made us worthy to live in heaven.
Therefore we rejoice and exalt His name, //
and magnify His infinite condescension.

The musical score is written for four voices: Soprano, Alto, Tenor, and Bass. It is in the key of D major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are in Latin and describe the significance of the Cross. The score is divided into four systems, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are: "As the Cross is lifted on high, it urges all of creation to praise the undefiled Passion of Christ, Who was lifted up on it. For by the Cross He killed the one who killed us, and brought us back to life when we were dead." The piano accompaniment consists of simple chords and single notes, providing a harmonic support for the vocal lines.

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

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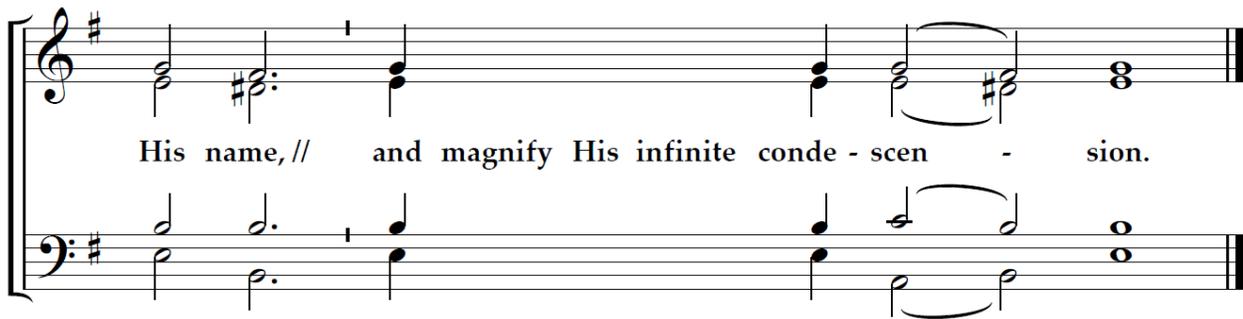
v. (6) If You, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with You.

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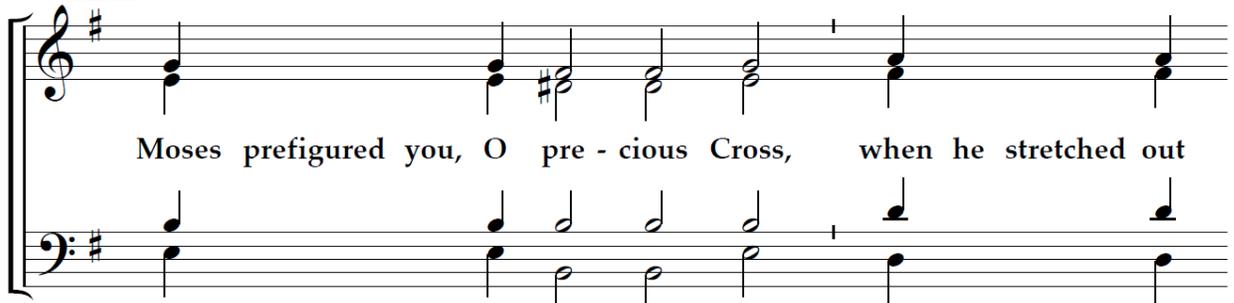
v. (5) For Your name's sake I have waited for You, O Lord, my soul has waited for Your word; my soul has hoped on the Lord.

Moses prefigured you, O precious Cross,
 when he stretched out his hands on high,
 and put the tyrant Amalek to flight.

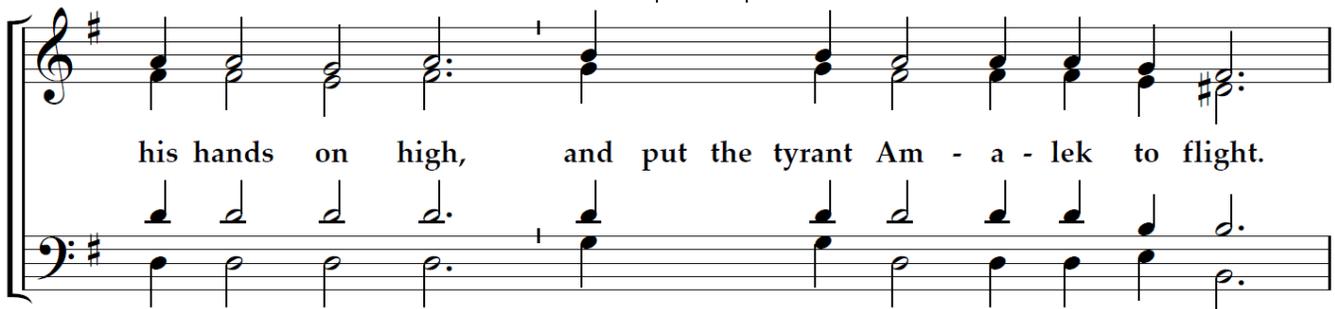
You are the boast of the faithful, the support of those who suffer,
 the glory of the Apostles, the champion of the Righteous,
 and the preservation of all the Saints.

Therefore, beholding you raised on high,
 creation rejoices and celebrates,

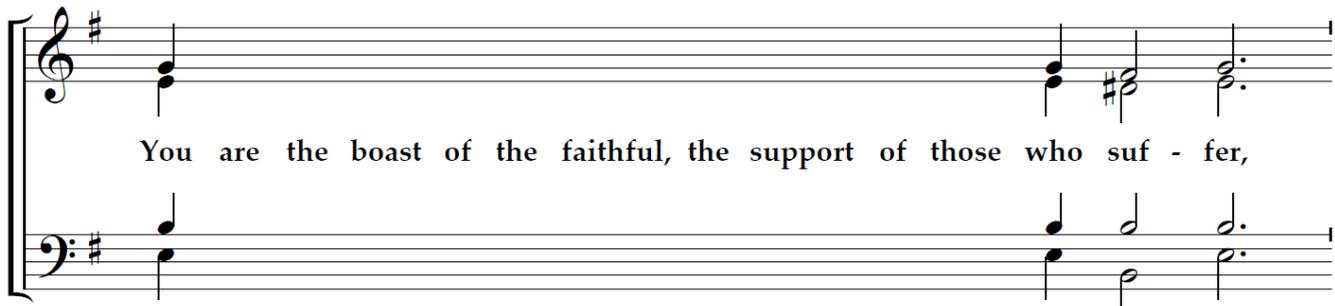
glorifying Christ Who has joined together through you that which was divided//
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v. (4) From the morning watch until night, from the morning watch, let Israel hope on the Lord!

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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!

O most venerable Cross,
 attended by ranks of rejoicing angels,
 as you are exalted today at the divine command,
 may you lift up again
 all those who through the stolen food
 had been cast out and were sunk in death.
 Therefore, as we venerate you in faith with heart and lips,
 we draw sanctification from you and cry aloud:
 "Exalt Christ, the God transcendent in goodness,//
 and venerate His divine footstool!"

O most ven'r - a - ble Cross, attended by ranks of rejoicing

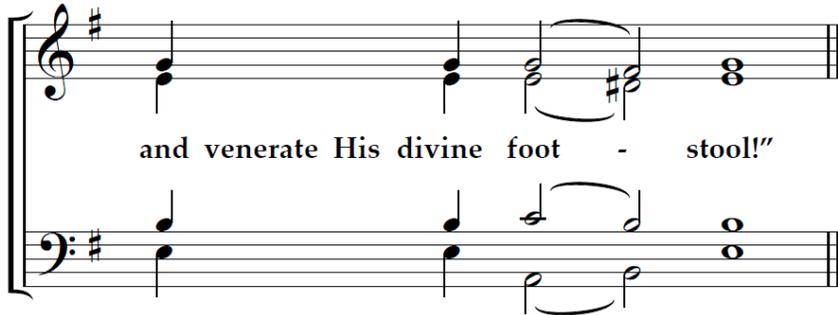
An - gels, as you are exalted today at the di - vine com - mand,

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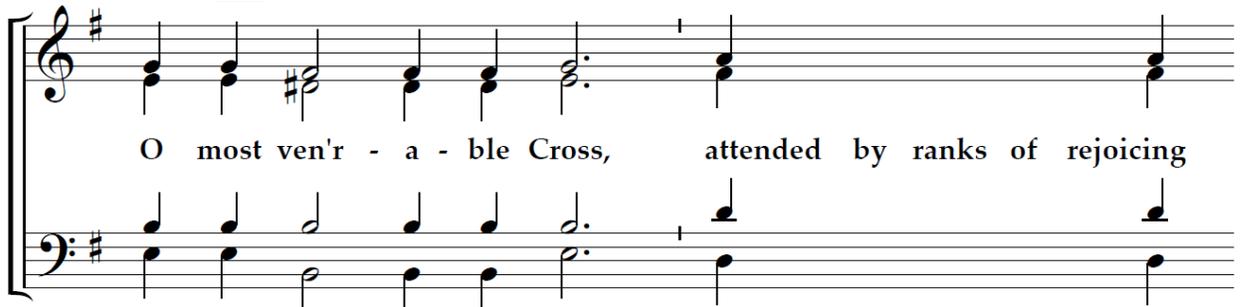
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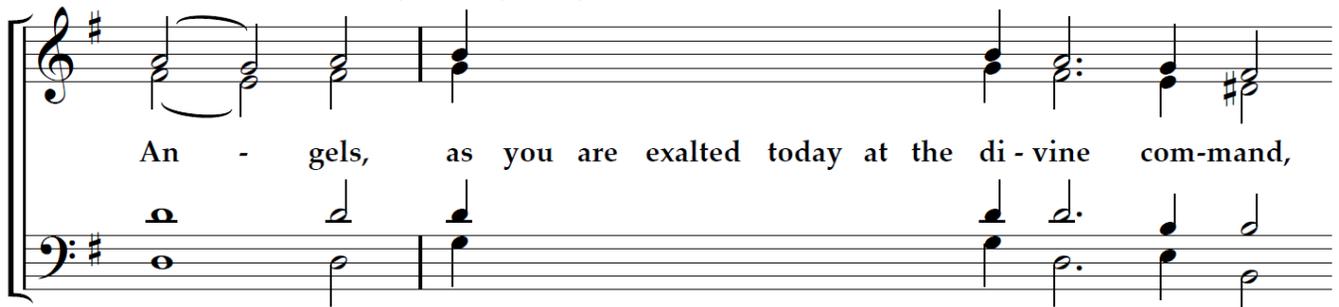
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v. (1) For His mercy is abundant towards us; and the truth of the Lord endures forever.

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

Tone 2

Come, all you nations,
 let us fall down in worship before the blessed Tree,
 by which eternal justice has come to pass!
 For he who deceived Adam by a Tree
 is caught by the lure of the Cross;
 and he who held under his tyranny the creature endowed by God with royal dignity
 is brought down in a headlong fall.

The serpent's venom is washed away by the blood of God,
 and the curse of just condemnation is undone
 when the Just One is condemned by an unjust judgment.
 For it was fitting that the Tree should be healed by a Tree,
 and that by the Passion of the passionless God
 what was wrought on the Tree should destroy the passions of man, who was condemned.
 But glory to Your dread dispensation for our sakes, O Christ the King,
 through which You have saved us all//
 since You are good and the Lover of man!

Soprano
Alto

Come, all you na - tions, let us fall down in worship

Tenor
Bass

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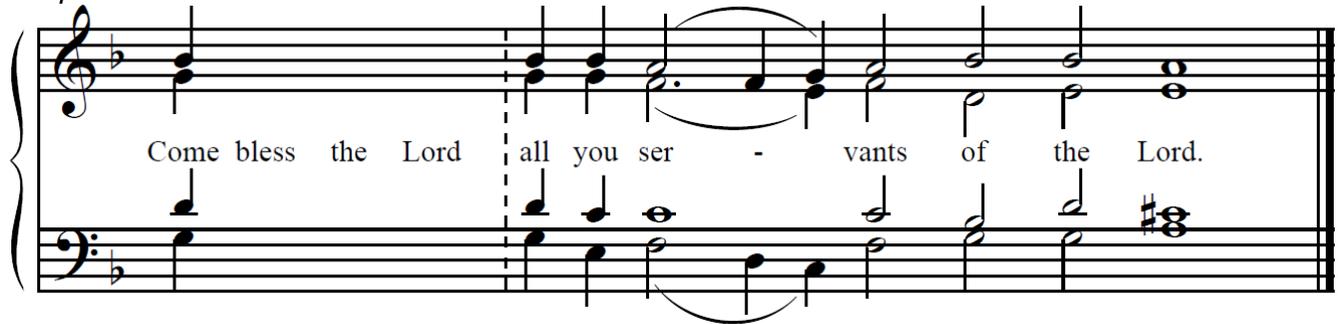
er of man - kind!

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

Prokeimenon of the Day (Sunday evening – Tone Eight)

Priest: Wisdom. The prokeimenon in the *Eighth* tone. Come, bless the Lord, * all you servants of the Lord.

People:



Musical score for the first system. It consists of a piano accompaniment on a grand staff (treble and bass clefs) and a vocal line on a single treble clef staff. The lyrics are: "Come bless the Lord all you ser - vants of the Lord." The music is in a minor key with a common time signature. The vocal line features a melodic phrase with a long note on "ser - vants" and a final cadence on "of the Lord."

Priest: You that serve in the house of the Lord, even in the courts of the house of our God.

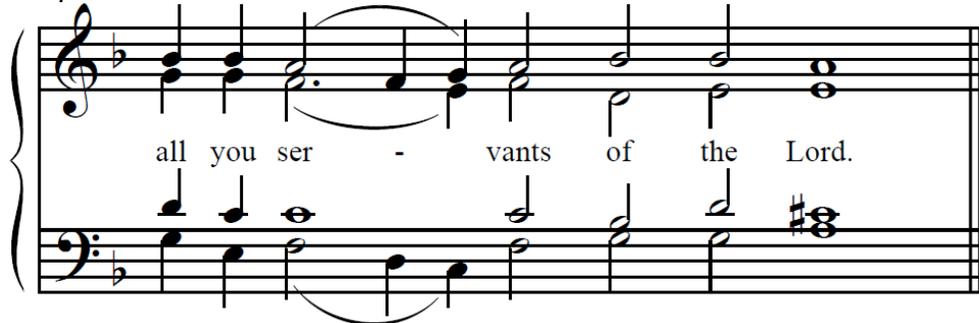
People:



Musical score for the second system, identical to the first system. It features a piano accompaniment and a vocal line with the lyrics: "Come bless the Lord all you ser - vants of the Lord."

Priest: Come, bless the Lord ...

People:



Musical score for the third system. It features a piano accompaniment and a vocal line with the lyrics: "all you ser - vants of the Lord." The music continues from the previous systems, maintaining the same key and time signature.

Priest: Wisdom!

Reader: The reading from the second book of Moses called Exodus. (*Exodus 15:22-16:1*)

Priest: Let us attend!

Reader: Moses led the children of Israel up from the Red Sea and brought them to the desert of Sour. And they marched for three in the desert and found no water to drink. They came to Merara and were unable to drink the water from Merara, because it was bitter. And so the place was named “Bitterness”. And the people started to murmur against Moses and say, “What are we to drink?” Moses cried to the Lord and the Lord showed him a piece of wood. He threw it into the water and it became sweet. There God laid down for him statutes and judgements and he tested him there and said, “If you listen to the voice of the Lord, your God, and do what is well-pleasing before him, heed his commandments and keep all his statutes, I will not bring on you any of the diseases that I brought on the Egyptians. For I am the Lord who heals you”. And they came to Elam and there were twelve springs of water there and seventy date palms. And they encamped there by the waters. Then they moved away from Elam and the whole Assembly of the children of Israel came to desert of Sin, which is between Elam and Shinar.

Priest: Wisdom!

Reader: The reading from the Proverbs of Solomon. (*Proverbs 3:11-18*)

Priest: Let us attend!

Reader: My son, do not treat lightly the Lord’s discipline, nor give up when you are rebuked by him. For the Lord disciplines the one he loves; scourges every child he receives. Blessed the man who has found wisdom, every mortal who knows prudence. For it is better to trade for her than for treasures of gold and silver. She is more precious than valuable stones; nothing evil shall withstand her; she is well known to all who draw near her, nothing precious is worthy of her, for length of life and years of life are in her right hand, while in her left are wealth and glory. Righteousness comes from her mouth; she carries law and mercy on her tongue. Her ways are good ways and all her paths are in peace. She is a tree of life to all who lay hold of her, and to those who lean hard upon her as upon the Lord she is safe.

Priest: Wisdom!

Reader: The reading from the Prophecy of Isaias. (*Isaiah 60:11-16*)

Priest: Let us attend!

Reader: Thus says the Lord, “Your gates, O Jerusalem, shall be open continually; day and night they shall not be shut; that men may bring to you the power of nations, with their kings led in procession. For the nation and kings that will not serve you shall perish; the nations shall be utterly laid waste. The glory of Lebanon shall come to you, with cypress, pine, and cedar, to glorify my holy place; and I will make the place of my feet glorious. The sons of those who oppressed you and troubled you shall come to you in fear; you shall be called ‘City of the Lord, Sion of the Holy One of Israel’. Whereas you have been forsaken and hated, with no one to help, I will make you a joy forever, a gladness from generation to generation. You shall suck the milk of nations, eat the wealth of kings; and you shall know that I, the Lord, am your Savior and the God of Israel your Redeemer”.

Then, the Augmented Litany (p. 18)

Aposticha – Tone 5

Automelon

Rejoice, O life-bearing Cross:
 invincible triumph of godliness,
 gate of Paradise, firm support of the faithful!
 a wall that encompasses the Church
 through you corruption has been destroyed and abolished,
 The power of death has been swallowed up and we are raised from earth to Heaven.
 you are a weapon that cannot be vanquished
 the adversary of demons,
 the glory of martyrs, the true adornment of saints,
 and the haven of salvation, //
 which grant the world great mercy.

The musical score is written for four voices: Soprano, Alto, Tenor, and Bass. It is in a single system with a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a common time signature (C). The lyrics are in Russian Church Slavonic. The score consists of four systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are: "Re - joi - ce, O Li - fe - bear - ing Cross, the invincible trophy of god - li - ness, door to Paradise, firm support of the faith - ful, a wall that en - com - pass - es the Church. Through you corruption has been destroyed and a - bol - ished. The pow - er of death has been swallowed".

Soprano
Alto

Re - joi - ce, O Li - fe - bear - ing Cross, the invincible trophy

Tenor
Bass

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up, and we are raised from earth to Heav - en. You are a

weapon that cannot be van-quished, the adversary of de - mons, the

glo - ry of the martyrs, the true a - dorn - ment of saints, and the

ha - ven of sal - va - tion, // which grant the world great mer - cy.

v: Extol the Lord our God: and worship at His footstool for He is holy!

Rejoice, O Cross of the Lord,
 through which mankind has been delivered from the curse!
 You are a sign of true joy,
 shattering our enemies by thine Exaltation.
 O Cross, worthy of all honor,
 you are our help, you are the strength of kings.
 You are the power of the righteous.
 You are the majesty of priests.
 All who sign themselves with you are freed from danger.
 O rod of strength, under which we like sheep are tended,
 you are a weapon of peace round which the angels stand in fear.
 You are the divine glory of Christ, //
 Who grants the world great mercy.

Soprano
Alto

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Tenor
Bass

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 di-vine— glo - ry of Christ, // Who grants the world great mer - cy.

v: God is our King before the ages; He has worked salvation in the midst of the earth!

Rejoice, O guide of the blind,
 physician of the sick and resurrection of all the dead;
 you have raised us up when we were fallen into mortality,
 O precious Cross!
 Through you corruption has been destroyed,
 and incorruption has blossomed forth.
 We mortals are made divine,
 and the devil is completely overthrown.
 Today, as we see you exalted by the hands of bishops,
 we exalt Him Who was lifted up upon you,
 and we fall down in worship before you, //
 drawing rich streams of great mercy.

Soprano
 Alto
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 Tenor
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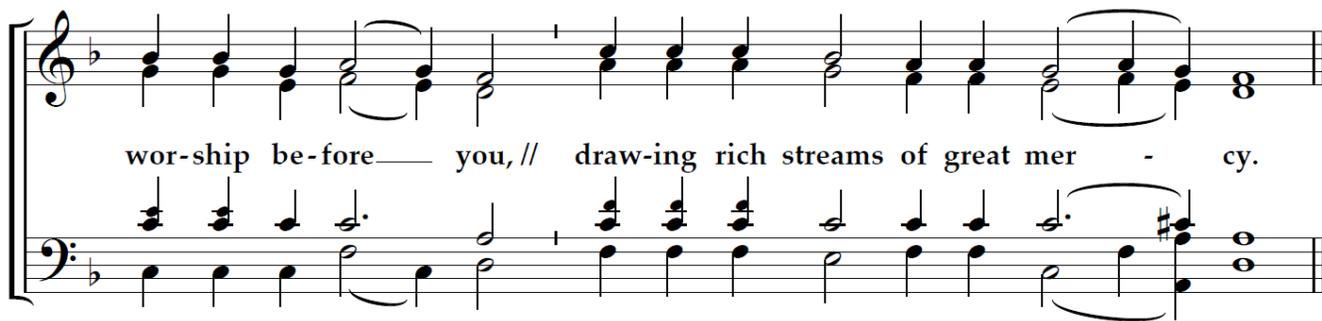
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exalt Him Who was lifted up up - on you, and we fall down in



wor-ship be-fore— you, // draw-ing rich streams of great mer - cy.

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

Tone 8

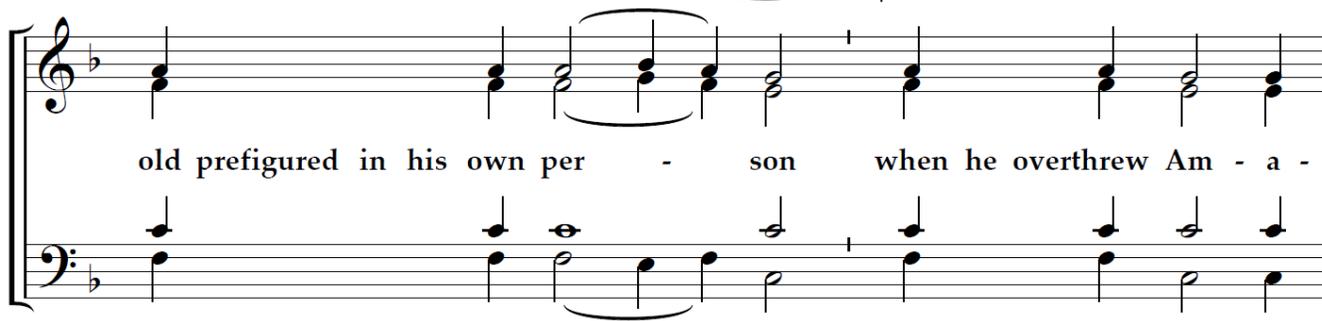
(by John the Monk)

Your precious Cross, O Christ God,
 which Moses of old prefigured in his own person
 when he overthrew Amalek and put him to flight;
 which David commanded to be worshipped,
 calling it Your footstool:
 this same Cross we sinners worship today with unworthy lips.
 We praise You Who were pleased to be nailed upon it,
 and we cry to You://
 "With the thief, make us worthy of Your Kingdom, O Lord!"

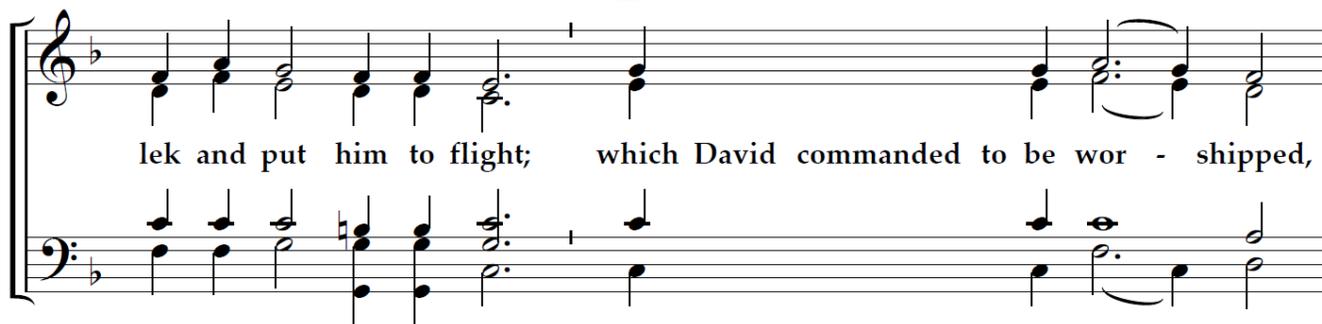


Soprano
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worthy of Your King - dom, O Lord!”

Tone 1

Troparion

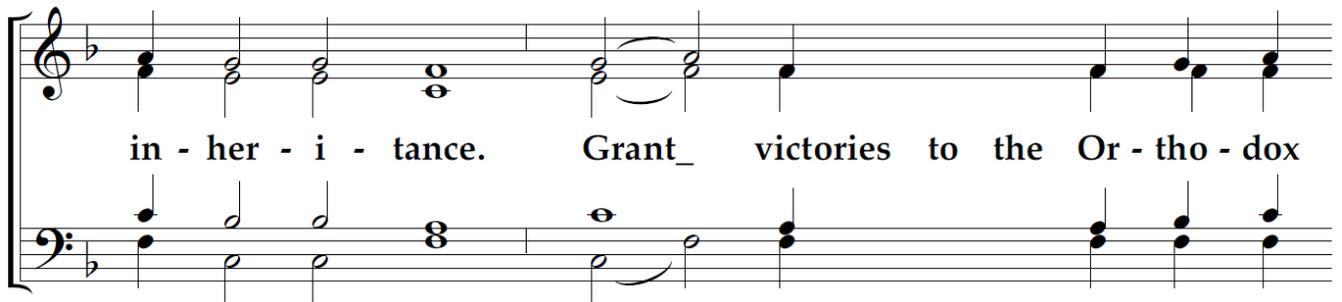
O Lord, save Your people,
 and bless Your inheritance!
 Grant victories to the Orthodox Christians
 over their adversaries;
 and by virtue of Your Cross,//
 preserve Your habitation!

(sung once at Great Vespers)

Soprano
Alto

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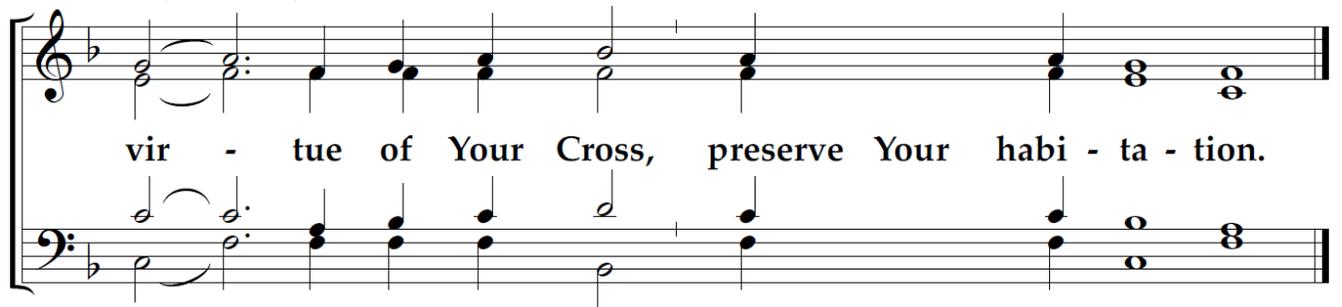
Tenor
Bass



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