## "Lord I Call..." - Tone 2

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

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Hear me, O Lord!

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Receive the voice of my prayer,

Let my prayer arise in Your sight as incense, and <u>let</u> the lifting <u>up</u> of my hands

be an evening sacrifice!



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!
- v. (7) Let Your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!
- v. (6) If You, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with You.

As streams of the Spirit,

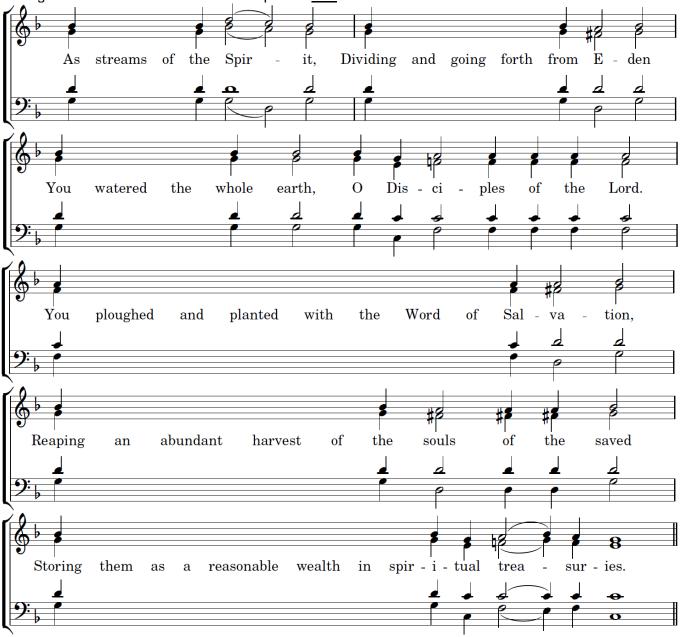
Dividing and going forth from Eden

You watered the whole earth, O Disciples of the Lord.

You ploughed and planted with the Word of Salvation,

Reaping an abundant harvest of the souls of the saved//

Storing them as a reasonable wealth in spiritual treasuries.



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.

Stars of the <u>spi</u>ritual East; Shining <u>lights</u> of the sun:

You announced <u>Him to all</u> mankind,

dispersing the night of error.

Free my heart from the darkness of passion and sensual things

Abandoned to passionate vices

And as eye witnesses of the Lord,//

Entreat Him to enlighten our minds.



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

As new tablets of Grace,

Truly inscribed by God;

As living scrolls initiated into His mysteries,

Holding the word of salvation written with the finger of the Father

You travelled over the ends of the earth,

Showing the Orthodox faith clearly to all mankind://

The path leading to <u>Heaven!</u>

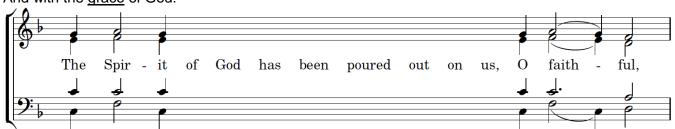


v. (3) In the Fourth Tone, For with the Lord there is mercy and with Him is plenteous redemption, and He will deliver Israel from all his iniquities.

The <u>Spi</u>rit of God has been poured out on us, O <u>faithful</u>, As the honored Joel prophesied, moved by the same <u>Spi</u>rit! He opens the reve<u>lation</u> of divine <u>mys</u>teries

In prophetic words.

We who have received his works are enlightened with divine <u>radiance//</u> And with the grace of God!





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

Master, filled with divine eloquence,

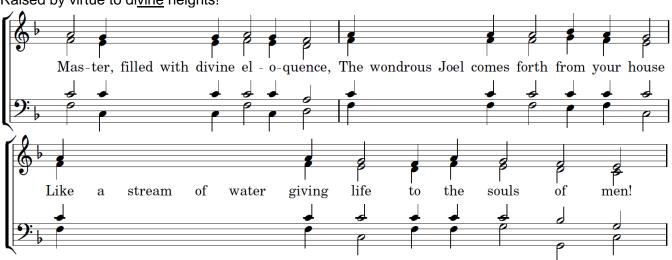
The wondrous Joel comes forth from your house

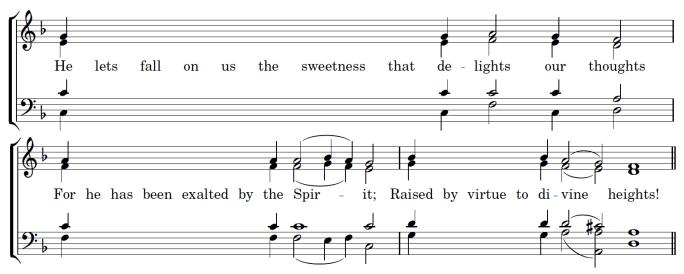
Like a stream of water giving life to the souls of men!

He lets fall on us the sweetness that delights our thoughts

For he has been exalted by the Spirit;//

Raised by virtue to divine heights!





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

With your boldness as a prophet, Joel,

And your spiritual closeness to God,

You behold heavenly visions.

Move Him, glorious one, to compassion for us

Who celebrate your memory with faith,

Asking remission of sins,//

A share in divine joy and great mercy!



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

The Word, equal in honor with the Father and the Holy Spirit,

Shone forth on earth in these last days

As the great <u>sun</u> coming from the <u>Virgin</u>.

He sent you, His glorious apostles, as rays of the dawn,

To enlighten those in the darkness of error with the <u>light</u> of faith,//

Leading them by your divine teachings!



## **APOSTIKHA - Tone 2**

(Stikhera to the apostles)

Savior, you have magnified throughout the world

The names of your Chief apostles,

For they learned heavenly mysteries and granted wholeness to mankind!

Even only their shadow healed <u>pas</u>sions!

One, a fisherman, performed miracles,

The other, a Hebrew, explained the teachings of Grace.//

Because of them, merciful One, grant us great mercy!



v. I lift up my eyes to You, enthroned in the heavens! Behold, as the eyes of servants look to the hand of their master, as the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress, so our eyes look to the Lord our God, till He has mercy on us.

Our unjust deeds have become our enemies,

And we run to You, the Existing God.

We offer you the words of Your disciple:

Save us, Lord, before we perish!

Show Yourself now to our enemies,

For by the prayers of Your apostles

You protect Your people and save them from danger,



been filled to overflowing. Let reproach be for the prosperous, and contempt of the proud.

(To the martyrs)

Great is the glory

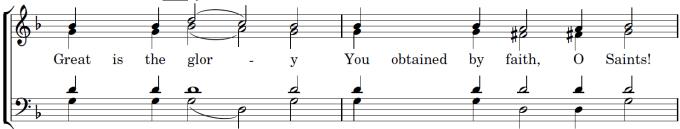
You obtained by faith, O Saints!

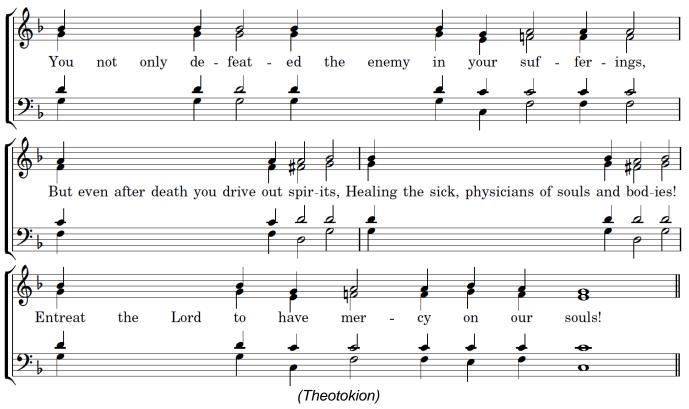
You not only defeated the enemy in your sufferings,

But even after death you drive out spirits,

Healing the sick, physicians of souls and bodies!//

Entreat the Lord to have mercy on our souls!



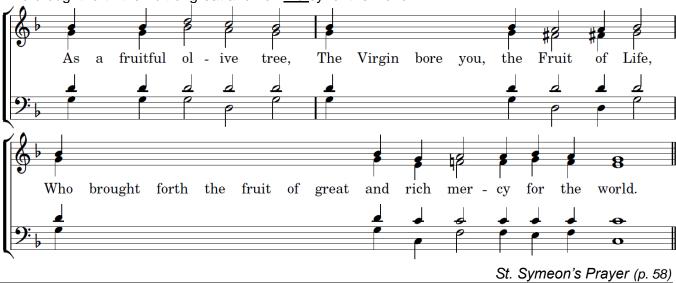


Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

As a fruitful olive tree,

The Virgin bore you, the Fruit of Life,//

Who brought forth the fruit of great and rich mercy for the world.



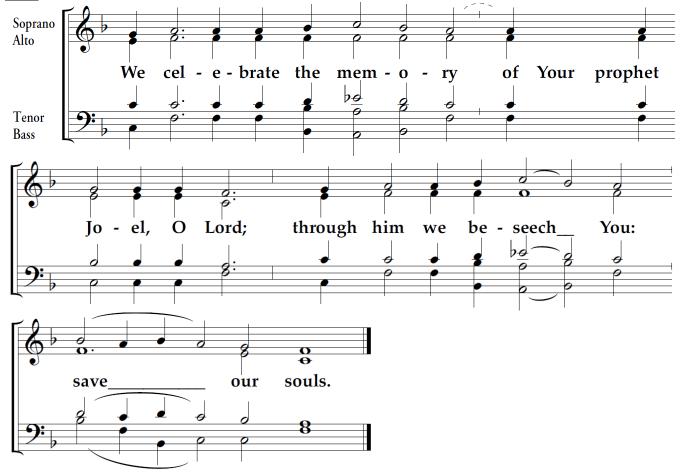
(Troparion for Prophet Joel – Tone 2)

We <u>cel</u>ebrate the <u>mem</u>ory

of Your prophet <u>Jo</u>el O Lord;

Through <u>him</u> we be<u>seech</u> You:

Save our souls.



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

Through you, ever-virgin Theotokos,

We have become partakers of the Divine nature,

For you gave birth to the incarnate God for our sake.//

Therefore we all devoutly magnify you!

