

"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

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

Tenor Bass

Lord, I call up - on You, — hear — me; re - ceive the voice of my prayer

when I call up - on — You. Hear me, O Lord! Let my prayer a - rise

in Your sight as in — cense, and let the lift - ing up of —

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!

Tone 8

Idiomelon

(from the Lenten Triodion)

While fasting in body, O brethren,
 let us also fast in spirit!
 Let us loose the bonds of iniquity!
 Let us undo the chains of injjustice!
 Let us break the yoke of oppression!
 Let us give food to the hungry!
 Let us shelter the poor and homeless, //
 so that we may receive great mercy from Christ our God!

While fast - ing in body, O breth - ren, let us also fast in spir - it!

Let us loose the bonds of in - iq - ui - ty! Let us undo the chains of

in - jus - tice! Let us break the yoke of op - pres - sion! Let us give

food to the hun - gry! Let us shelter the poor and home - less,

so that we may receive great mercy from Christ our God!

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

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

Tone 8*(to the Martyrs)*

Whatever is excellent and worthy of praise
rightly is ascribed to the saints,
for they bowed their necks beneath the sword,
for Your sake, Who bowed the heavens and came down.
They shed their blood for You, Who emptied Yourself,
taking the form of a servant.
They humbled themselves even unto death,
following the example of Your lowliness.
By their prayers have mercy on us, O God, //
according to Your abundant mercy!

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

Tone 2

(to the Apostles, by Joseph)

(When You appeared)

Jesus, the true spiritual Sun,
 sent you out as lightning into all the world,
 O Apostles and eyewitnesses of God.
 He dispersed the darkness of error,
 enlightening those held fast in the gloom of ignorance.//
 Entreat Him to send down on us as well His illumination and great mercy!

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

Glorified by fasting,
 Elijah rode in the divine chariot of virtues
 and was carried up to the height of heaven.
 Eagerly follow his example, O my humble soul!
 Fast from every evil and jealousy,
 from strife and fleeting pleasures!
 Then you will escape the everlasting torment of Gehenna, //
 crying out to Christ: "Glory to You, O Lord!"

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v. (5) *In the Fifth Tone, 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.*

Tone 5

(to the Apostles, by Theodore)

(O venerable Father)

O Apostles of God, fervent intercessors for the world,
 defenders of the Orthodox,
 you have power to approach Christ our God with boldness.
 Intercede for us, we pray you,
 that we may keep the holy fast in peace
 and receive the grace of the consubstantial Trinity!!!
 O great and glorious preachers, worthy of all honor, pray for our souls!

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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 42 Martyrs)

(Called from on high)

Noble and victorious martyrs,
 you were revealed in the final times
 as unwaning stars in the Church's honored firmament.
 You illumined all beneath the sun, O all-praised ones,
 with the splendor of your sufferings, destroying the darkness of deception.
 Therefore we celebrate your radiant and sacred suffering in faith, //
 enriched by your intercession.

Soprano
Alto
Tenor
Bass

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sa - cred suf - fer - ing in faith, // enriched by your in - ter - ces - sion.

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!

All-glorious two-and-forty martyrs of Christ,
 you were bound after a summary arrest
 and shut up in prison for a lengthy time.
 You were divine preservers of the faith,
 who refused to submit to the commands of that infamous beast of evil fame,
 Therefore he was enraged and slew you with the sword.
 Now you have joyfully inherited higher things, //
 joining yourselves to the heavenly Kingdom.

Soprano
Alto

Tenor
Bass

All-glorious two and forty mar - tyrs of Christ, you were bound

after a sum - ma - ry ar - rest and shut up in prison for a

length - y time. You were divine pre-serv - ers of the faith, who re-fused
to submit to the commands of that infamous beast — of e - vil fame.
Therefore he was enraged and slew you with the sword. Now you have
joyfully inherited high - er things, // joining yourselves to the heav-en - ly
King - dom.

v. (1) For His mercy is confirmed on us, and the truth of the Lord endures forever.

Let us shout the praise of Constantine,
Basoes and Callistus, Theodore and Theophilus,
and the rest of the divine company of athletes,
for they sacrificed themselves with joy,
electing to die for the Life of All.
Now they rest in the city of the living God,
entreating that, on the day of judgment,//
we may find remission of sins and complete deliverance.

note: Bay-SO-ees

Soprano
Alto

Let us shout the praise of Con - stan-tine, Basoes and Callistus,

Tenor
Bass

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of ath - letes, for they sacrificed them-selves with joy, e - lect - ing

to die for the Life of all. Now they rest in the city of the liv - ing

God, entreating that on the day of judg - ment, // we may find

remission of sins and com - plete de - liv - er - ance.

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

Tone 4

(Theotokion)

O all-undefiled Theotokos,
save from all hostile slander those who piously venerate your birthgiving,
as you are the protectress of the human race.

For we all have acquired you now as our help, our refuge and our confirmation,
and our intercessor with Christ, our Master and God.

Entreat Him to grant peace to the world, //

and deliverance from sins, to those who hasten to your protection.

The musical score is written for four voices: Soprano, Alto, Tenor, and Bass. It is in the key of D minor (one flat) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are in Greek and English. The score is divided into five systems, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are: "O all-undefiled Theo - to - kos, save from all hostile slander those who piously venerate your birth - giv - ing, as you are the pro - tect - ress of the hu - man race. For we all have acquired you now as our help, our refuge and our confir - ma - ion, and our intercessor with Christ, our Mas - - - ter and God. En - treat Him".

to grant peace to the world // and deliverance from sins to those who

has - ten to your pro - tec - - tion.

Tone 5 Prokeimenon

Deacon: Let us attend! *Priest:* † Peace to all!

Reader: And to your spirit.

Deacon: Wisdom!

Reader: The Prokeimenon is in the 5th Tone. You, O Lord, shall protect us and preserve us from this generation forever.

Choir:

You, O Lord, shall protect us and preserve us from this gen - er - a -

tion for - e - ver.

Reader: Save me, O Lord, for there is no longer any that is godly!

Choir:

Music notation for the first part of the choir reading. The score is written on a grand staff with a treble and bass clef. The lyrics are: "You, O Lord, shall protect us and preserve us from this gen-er - a -".

Music notation for the second part of the choir reading. The score is written on a grand staff with a treble and bass clef. The lyrics are: "tion for - e - ver.".

Reader: You, O Lord, shall protect us ...

Choir:

Music notation for the second part of the choir reading. The score is written on a grand staff with a treble and bass clef. The lyrics are: "and preserve us from this gen-er - a - tion for - e - ver.".

Deacon: Wisdom!

Reader: The reading from the First Book of Moses called Genesis (1:24-2:3)

Deacon: Let us attend!

The Holy Doors are closed.

Reader: And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures according to their kinds: cattle and creeping things and beasts of the earth according to their kinds." And it was so. And God made the beasts of the earth according to their kinds and the cattle according to their kinds, and everything that creeps upon the ground according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth." So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them. And God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth." And God said, "Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed which

is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so. And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, a sixth day. Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them. And on the seventh day God finished his work which he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all his work which he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all his work which he had done in creation.

Holy Doors are opened.

Tone 6

Prokeimenon

Deacon: Wisdom!

Reader: The Prokeimenon is in the 6th Tone. Consider and answer me O Lord, my God!

Choir:

Consider and an-swer me, O Lord, my God.

Reader: How long, O Lord? Will You forget me forever? How long will You hide Your face from me?

Choir:

Consider and an-swer me, O Lord, my God.

Reader: Consider and answer me ...

Choir:

O Lord, my God.

Deacon: Command!

Priest, with a lit candle: Wisdom! Let us attend! The Light of Christ illumines all. **(All prostrate)**

Reading from Proverbs (2:1-22)

Reader: The reading from the Proverbs of Solomon (2:1-22)

Deacon: Let us attend!

The Holy Doors are closed.

Reader: My son, if you receive my words and treasure up my commandments with you, making your ear attentive to wisdom and inclining your heart to understanding; yes, if you cry out for insight and raise your voice for understanding, if you seek it like silver and search for it as for hidden treasures; then you will understand the fear of the LORD and find the knowledge of God. For the LORD gives wisdom; from his mouth come knowledge and understanding; he stores up sound wisdom for the upright; he is a shield to those who walk in integrity, guarding the paths of justice and preserving the way of his saints. Then you will understand righteousness and justice and equity, every good path; for wisdom will come into your heart, and knowledge will be pleasant to your soul; discretion will watch over you; understanding will guard you; delivering you from the way of evil, from men of perverted speech, who forsake the paths of uprightness to walk in the ways of darkness, who rejoice in doing evil and delight in the perverseness of evil; men whose paths are crooked, and who are devious in their ways. You will be saved from the loose woman, from the adventuress with her smooth words, who forsakes the companion of her youth and forgets the covenant of her God; for her house sinks down to death, and her paths to the shades; none who go to her come back nor do they regain the paths of life. So you will walk in the way of good men and keep to the paths of the righteous. For the upright will inhabit the land, and men of integrity will remain in it; but the wicked will be cut off from the land, and the treacherous will be rooted out of it.

Holy Doors are opened.

Priest: † Peace to you who read.

Deacon: Wisdom!

(Psalm 140 "Let my prayer arise ...")

(and the rest of the Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts)