#### "Lord I Call..." Tone 4

Reader: In the Fourth Tone, Lord I call upon you, hear me!

Lord, I call upon You, <u>hear</u> me! <u>Hear</u> me, O Lord! <u>Lord</u>, I call upon You, <u>hear</u> me!

Lord, I call upon You, hear me! Receive the voice of my prayer, Let my <u>prayer</u> arise in Your sight as <u>incense</u>, and <u>let</u> the lifting <u>up</u> of my hands be an evening <u>sacrifice!//</u>



Reader: (Reads text from service book)

v. (10) Bring my soul out of prison, that I may give thanks to Your name!

Like the Prodigal,

I recklessly squandered my Father's riches.

Forlorn and destitute, I dwelt in a land of evil men.

In my foolishness I became like the senseless beasts,

stripped of all divine grace.

But now I have returned and cry to You,

the compassionate and merciful Father://

"I have sinned, O God, but receive me in repentance, and have mercy on me!"



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

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

Tone 4 (for the Martyrs)

O Martyrs of the Lord,

living sacrifices, spiritual oblations,

perfect victims, sheep who know God and are known by Him,

whose fold no wolf can enter;//

pray that we too may graze with you beside still waters! Mar - tyrs ofthe Lord, living sacrifices, o - bla - tions, O spiritual fect vic tims, sheep God who know and known per are Him, whose wolf fold by no can en ter;

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

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Tone 6 (from the Triodion, by Joseph)

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O Apostles, eyewitnesses of God, rays of light from the spiritual Sun:

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entreat Him to enlighten our souls and deliver us from the dark night of passions!

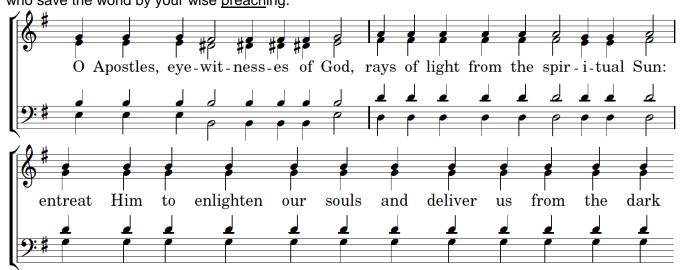
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Pray that we may see the day of salvation!

By your prayers and intercessions,

may our hearts, which the Evil One has wounded, be cleansed,

so that, saved by faith, we may always <u>hon</u>or you,// who save the world by your wise preaching.





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

Like the Prodigal, I wandered off into an evil land.

I recklessly squandered the riches that You gave me.

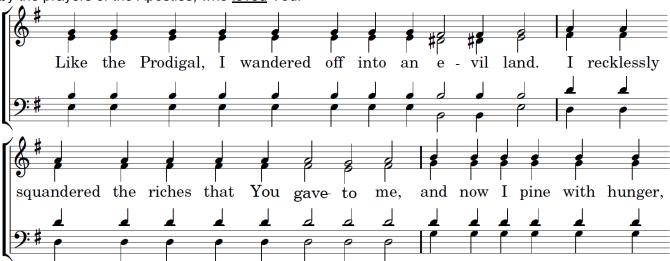
Now I pine with hunger, starved of good deeds.

Stripped of divine grace, I am clothed with the shame of sin.

I have sinned, and yet I know Your goodness.

Receive me as one of Your hired servants, O compassionate Christ,//

by the prayers of the Apostles, who loved You!





v. (5) In the Same Tone, For Your Name's sake I wait for You, O Lord. My soul has waited for Your word; my soul has hoped on the Lord.

#### Tone 6 (from the Triodion, by Theodore)

(At the right hand of the Savior)

O Apostles of the Savior,

lights of the world, its benefactors and its saviors,

like the heavens you tell the glory of God,

adorned with stars of miracles and signs of healing.

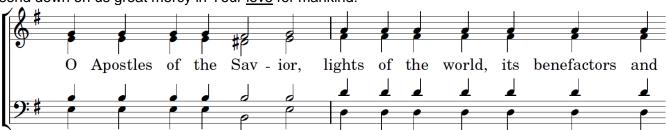
Fervently intercede before the Lord for us,

that He may accept our prayers as incense,

and make us worthy to behold and kiss the life-giving Cross with fear!

As we venerate Your Cross, O Savior,//

send down on us great mercy in Your love for mankind!





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

#### **Tone 4** (from the Menaion, for the Martyrs of St. Sabbas)

(As one valiant among the martyrs)

Completely loving the highest of all desires,

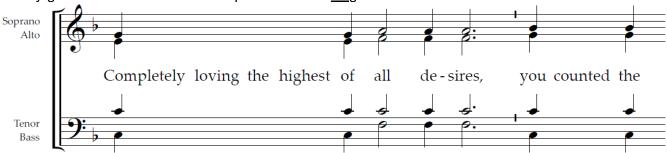
you counted the beauties of life to be refuse, O venerable <u>Fa</u>thers.

Through vigil and prayer, through rain and burning heat,

you acquired those things that alone abide.

You lived together as one soul//

and by grace were shown to be companions of the Angels.





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

Completely loving the highest of all desires,

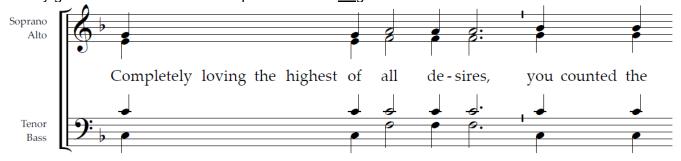
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v. (2) Praise the Lord, all nations! Praise Him, all peoples!

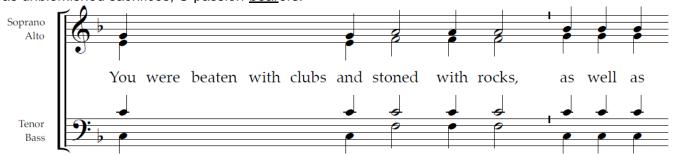
You were beaten with clubs and <u>stoned</u> with rocks, as well as cut <u>down</u> by swords.

Yet, O martyrs, you did not break the unity of your mind,

bound together by love and fraternal desire.

Together you were put to death and <u>cut</u> from <u>limb</u> to limb.

You placed yourselves upon the <u>altar</u> of God// as unblemished sacrifices, O passion-<u>bearers</u>.





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

Suffocated and consumed by fire,

you committed your souls into the hands of the King of all

as un<u>blem</u>ished sacrifices, O glorious <u>mar</u>tyrs.

You have joined yourselves to the choirs of the bodiless **Powers** 

and inherited the everlasting glory.//

Ever pray that those who sing praises to you may also share in that glory!

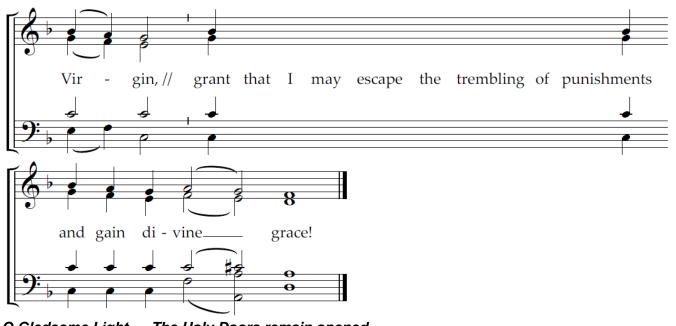


In the Fourth Tone, Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

#### Tone 4 (Theotokion)

O Maiden, who brought forth God my <u>Savior</u>, do you yourself grant me perfect re<u>pentance</u>, the <u>means</u> of salvation and safety, the <u>streams</u> of tears, and the thought of the terrible dread hour and the impartial <u>judg</u>ment; and by your <u>prayers</u>, O <u>Virgin</u>,//





O Gladsome Light ... The Holy Doors remain opened.

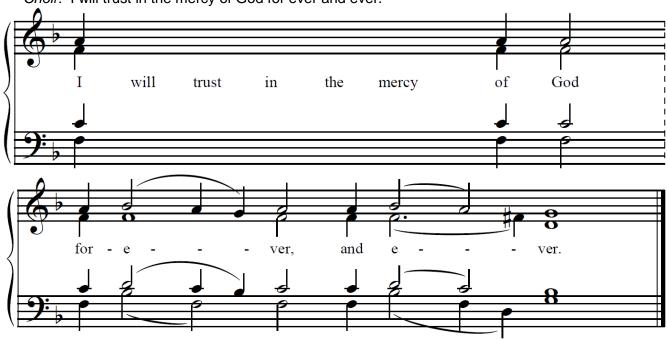
Deacon: Let us attend. Priest: † Peace to all.

Reader: And to your spirit.

Deacon: Wisdom!

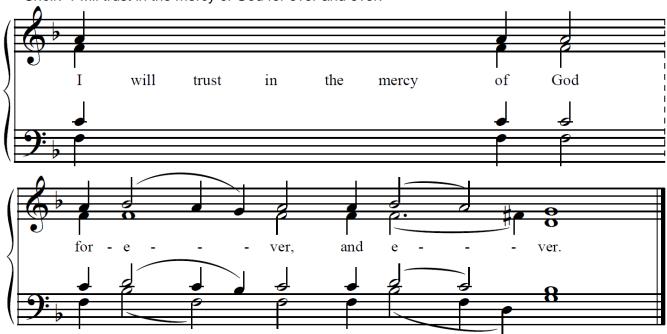
Reader: The Prokeimenon in the Fourth Tone, I will trust in the mercy of God for ever and ever.

Choir: I will trust in the mercy of God for ever and ever.



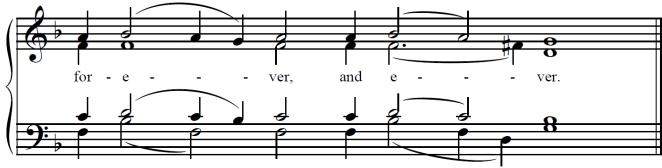
Reader: Why do you boast, O mighty man, of mischief done against the godly?

Choir: I will trust in the mercy of God for ever and ever.



Reader: I will trust in the mercy of God ...

Choir: ... for ever and ever.



First Deacon: Wisdom!

Reader: The Reading from the First Book of Moses called Genesis. (Genesis 7:6-9)

First Deacon: Let us attend!

## The Holy Doors are closed.

Reader: Noah was six hundred years old when the flood of water came to pass on the earth. Noah and his sons and his wife and his sons' wives entered the ark because of the water of the flood. And of the clean flying creatures and of the unclean flying creatures and of the clean beasts and of the unclean beasts and of all that creep upon the earth two by two they went in to Noah into the ark, male and female, as God had commanded Noah.

## Holy Doors are opened.

Tone 4 Prokeimenon

Reader: The Prokeimenon in the Fourth Tone, When the Lord turns back the captivity of His people.

Choir:



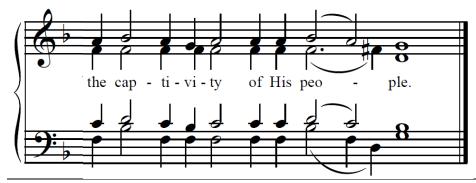
Reader: The fool says in his heart, "There is no God."

Choir:



Reader: When the Lord turns back ...

Choir:



Deacon: Command!

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

Reader: The Reading from the Proverbs of Solomon (Proverbs 9:12-18)

First Deacon: Let us attend!

## The Holy Doors are closed.

Reader: My son, if you become wise for yourself, you will also be wise for your neighbors; while if you prove wicked, you will draw wickedness alone. One who relies on falsehoods, shepherds winds, while he will pursue flying birds; for he has left the ways of his own vineyard, while he has made the axes of his field go astray. He walks through a waterless desert and a land appointed to drought, he gathers fruitlessness with his hands. A foolish and insolent woman, who does not know shame, comes to lack a morsel; she sits at the doors of her house, on a bench openly in the streets, inviting the passers by and those who are going straight on their ways. Whichever of you is most foolish, let him turn aside to me and I exhort those who lack prudence, saying: Touch the secret bread of pleasure and drink the sweet water of theft. But he does not know that those born of earth are destroyed by her, and he encounters a trap of Hell. But hurry away, do not delay in the place and do not rest your eye on her; for thus you will pass through strange water, pass over a strange river; keep away from strange water and do not drink of a strange spring, that you may live a long time and that years may be added to your life.

# Holy Doors are opened.

Priest (Quietly): † Peace to you who read.

Deacon: Wisdom!

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

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