

"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!

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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!

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 injustice!
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!

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

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

v. (8) In the Eighth Tone, 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
 is rightly 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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following the example of Your low - li-ness. By their prayers have mer-cy on us, O God,

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!

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 wait 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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defenders of the Or - - - tho - - dox,
you have pow - er to approach Christ our God with bold - ness.
In-ter-cede for us, we pray you, that we may keep the holy fast in peace
and re - ceive the grace of the con - sub - stan - tial Trin - - i - ty!
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v. (4) In the Eighth Tone, from the morning watch until night, from the morning watch, let Israel hope on the Lord!

Tone 8

(from the Menaion, for St. Porphyrius)

(Oh, most glorious wonder)

O Venerable Father Porphyrius,
 you took the Cross of Christ upon your shoulder,
 abandoning all and reaching the desert.
 Armed with fasting and prayers,
 you battled with the ruler of this world.
 Therefore as a temple of the Spirit of God, //
 you cast him down together with carnal mindedness.

O Ven - er - a - ble Father Por - phy - ri - us,

you took the Cross of Christ upon your shoul - - der,

abandoning all and reach - - ing the des - - ert.

Armed with fast - ing and prayers, you battled with the rul - er of this world.

Therefore as a tem - - ple of the Spir - it of God,

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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!*

As of old God saved the three Youths from the fire by His Angel,
so now He has saved three youths by you.

They had been dragged down into a pit,
but God bore them up as in a basket,
overshadowing them with the light of a cloud
which formed three crosses on their bodies,//
reproving those who opposed you, O Porphyrius.

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which formed three cross - es on their bod - - - ies,

reproving those who opposed you, O Por - phy - ri - - us.

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

Who can worthily sing hymns to your temptations and pains, O Porphyrius,
 your misfortunes, tribulations, and your struggles for the faith?
 You showed that you have great boldness before God.
 Therefore, because of that boldness, we entreat you://
 "Pray on our behalf to the Lord that we may be saved!"

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your misfortunes, tribulations, and your strug - gles for the faith?

You showed that you have great bold - ness be - fore God.

Therefore, because of that boldness, we en - treat you:

"Pray on our behalf to the Lord that we may be saved!"

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 8

(Theotokion)

(Oh, most glorious wonder)

The pre-eternal God, Who received flesh of your blood,
has revealed you as the protectress of mankind, O pure Lady.
Therefore, deliver your servants from every distress and adversity,
and from the snares of the Enemy's evil;
grant that all who glorify and venerate you//
may share in your extraordinary radiance!

The pre- eternal God, Who received flesh of your blood,

has revealed you as the protectress of mankind, O pure La - - dy.

Therefore, deliver your servants from every dis-tress and ad - ver - - si - ty,

and from the snares of the Enemy's e - - - vil;
 grant that all who glorify and ven - er - ate you
 may share in your extraordinary ra - di - ance!

Tone 5 Prokeimenon

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

Reader: And to your spirit.

Deacon: Wisdom!

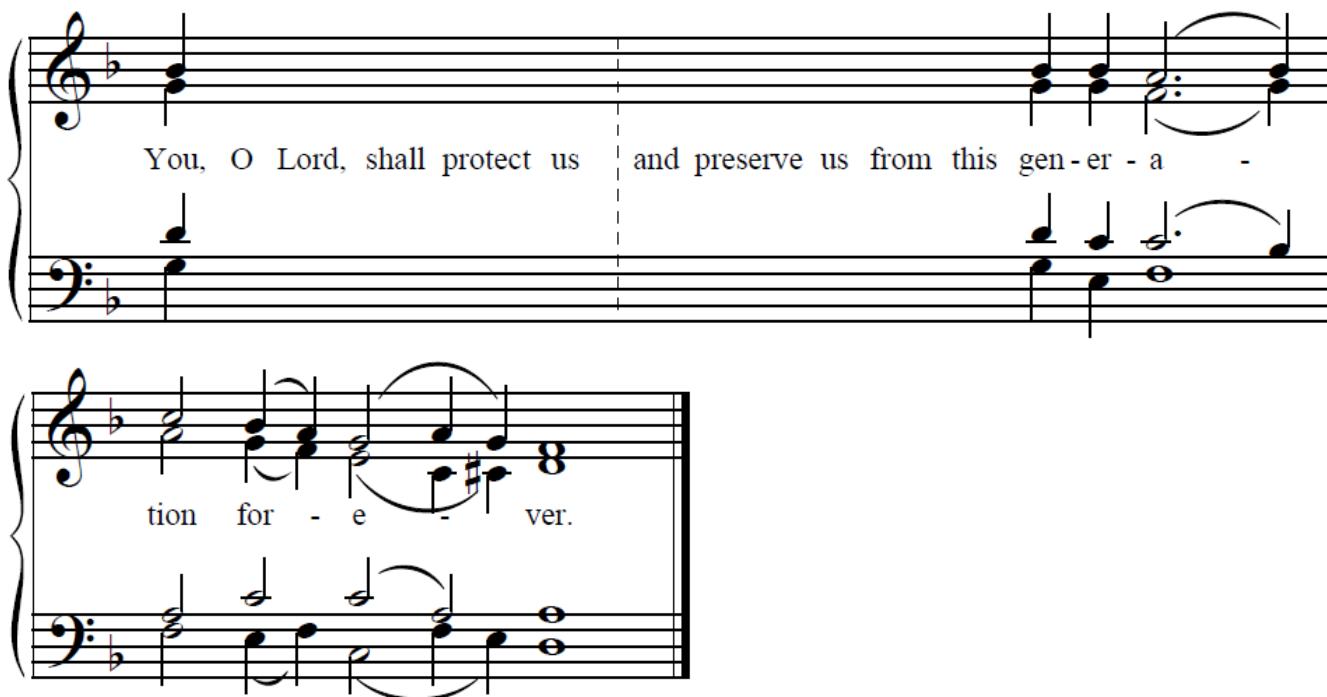
Reader: The Prokeimenon is in the 5th Tone. You, O Lord, shall protect us and preserve us from this generation forever.

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!

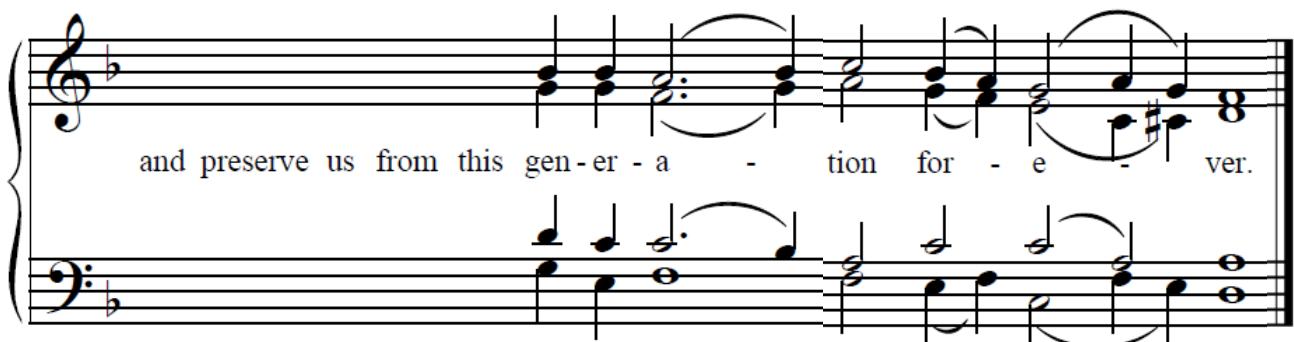
Choir:



You, O Lord, shall protect us and preserve us from this gen-er-a-tion for - e- ver.

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

Choir:



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 illuminates 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*)