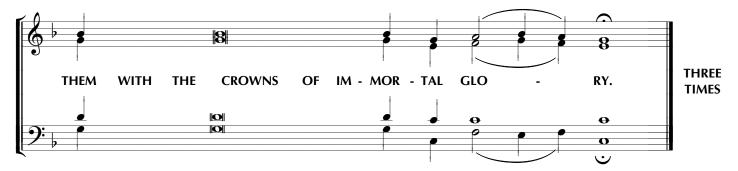
Feast of SS. Peter and Paul

Vespers



- 8. Out of the depths I cry to Thee, O Lord. Lord, hear my voice.
- 7. Let Thy ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications.
- 6. If Thou, O Lord, shouldst mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with Thee.





- 5. For Thy name's sake I wait for Thee, O Lord. My soul has waited for Thy word, my soul has hoped on the Lord.
- 4. From the morning watch until night, from the morning watch, let Israel hope on the Lord.
- 3. For with the Lord there is mercy and with Him is redemption, and He will deliver Israel from all his iniquities.

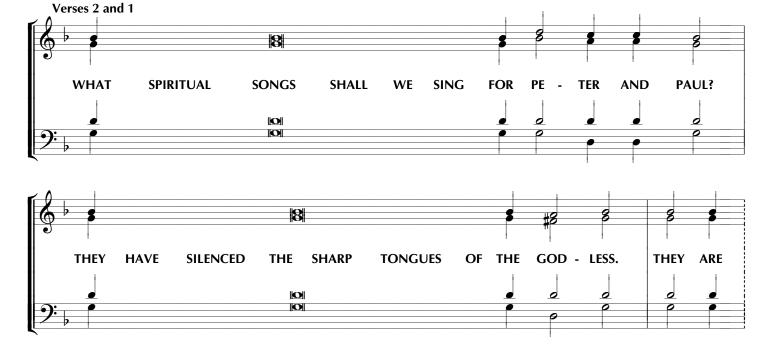




2. Praise the Lord, all nations. Praise Him, all peoples.

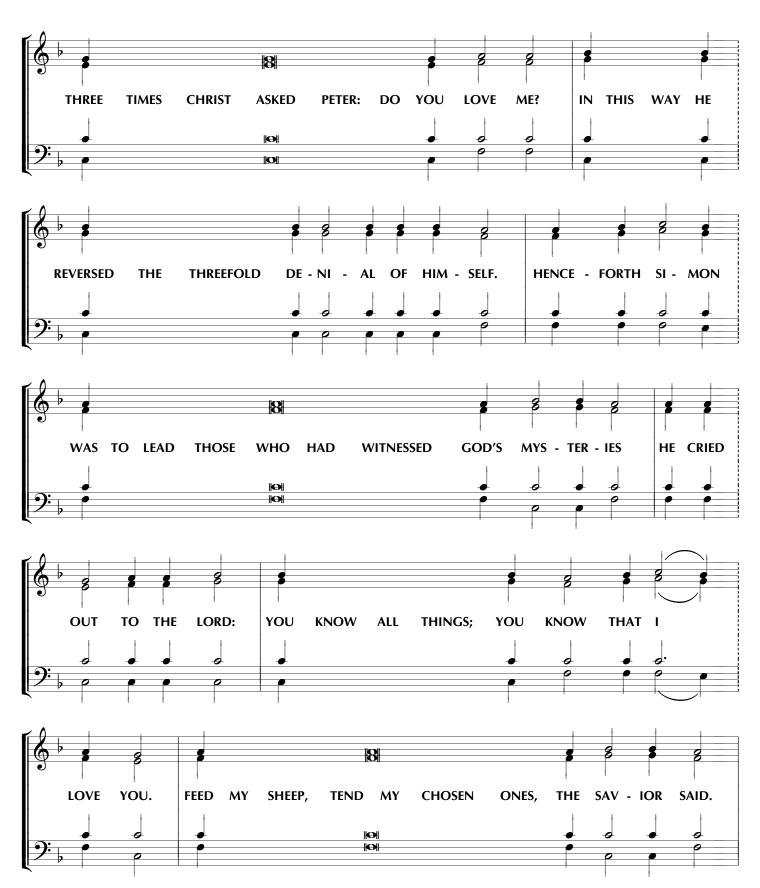
THREE TIMES

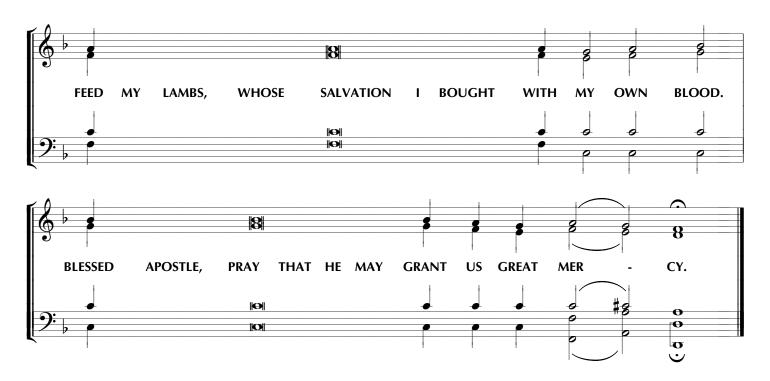
1. For His mercy is confirmed on us, and the truth of the Lord endures forever.



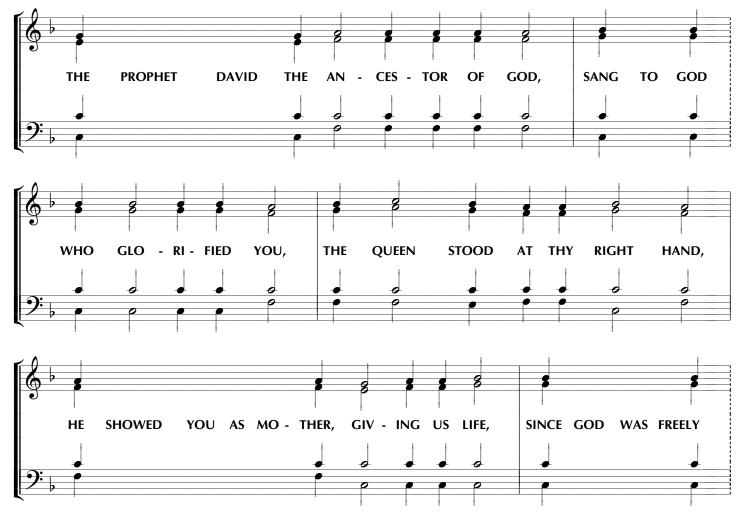


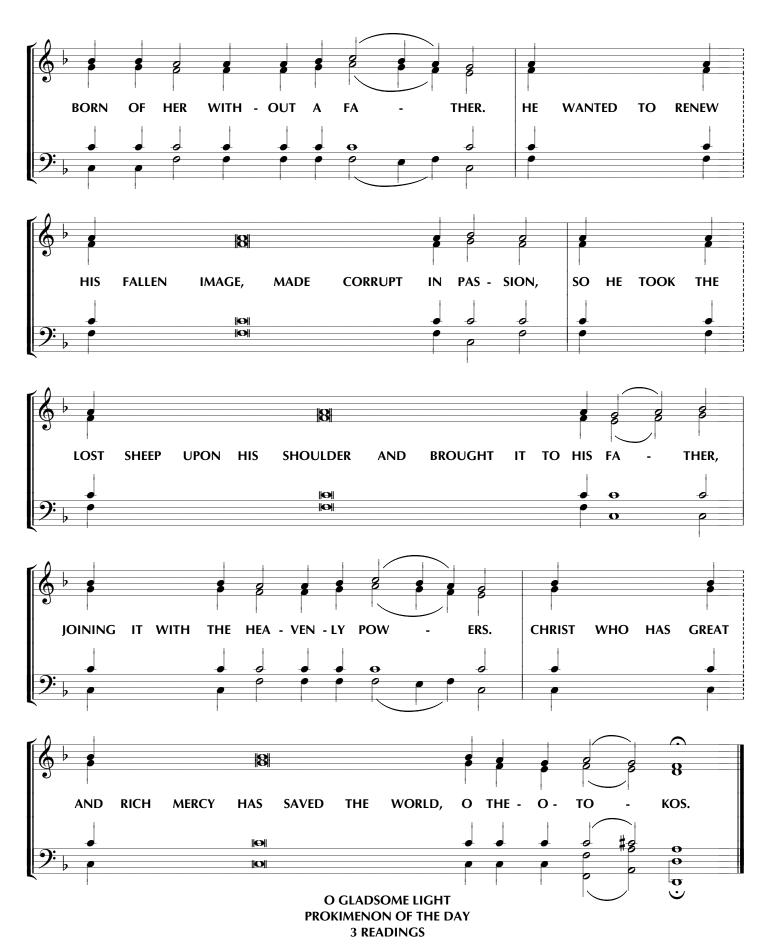
Glory in the 4th tone: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.





Now and ever in the 4th tone: Now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.





READINGS FOR THE HOLY GLORIOUS AND ALL-PRAISED LEADERS OF THE APOSTLES, PETER AND PAUL

Reading from the First Letter of Peter 1 Peter (1:3-9)

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith – being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire – may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

<u>Reading from the First Letter of Peter</u> 1 Peter (1:13-19)

Therefore prepare your minds for action; discipline yourselves; set all your hope on the grace that Jesus Christ will bring you when he is revealed. Like obedient children, do not be conformed to the desires that you formerly had in ignorance. Instead, as he who called you is holy, be holy yourselves in all your conduct; for it is written, "You shall be holy, for I am holy."

If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish.

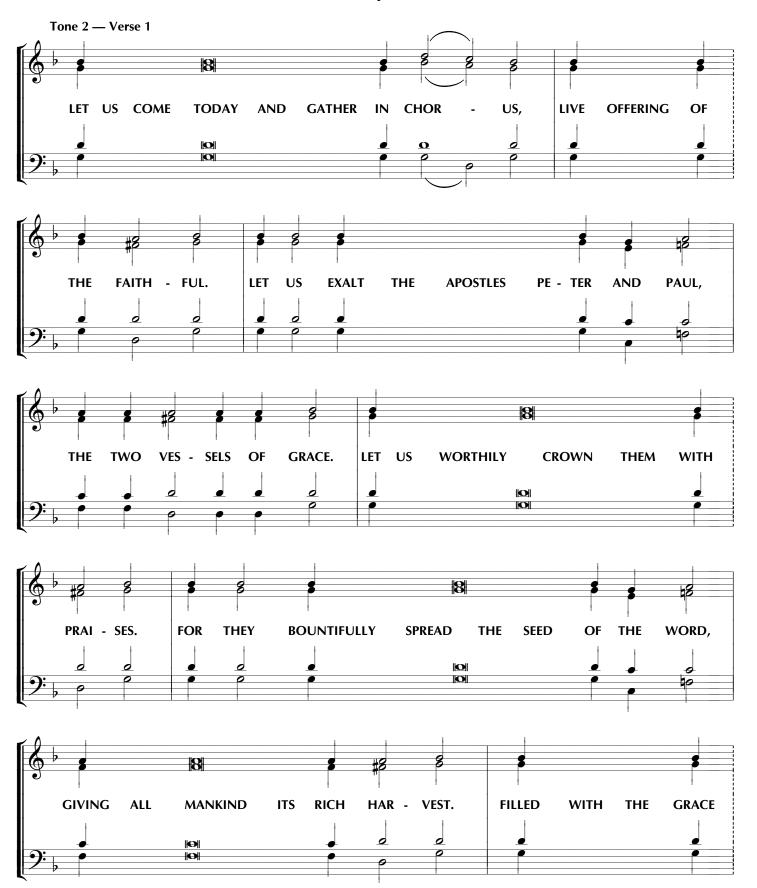
<u>Reading from the First Letter of Peter</u> 1 Peter (2:11-24)

Beloved, I urge you as aliens and exiles to abstain from the desires of the flesh that wage war against the soul. Conduct yourselves honorably among the Gentiles, so that, though they malign you as evildoers, they may see your honorable deeds and glorify God when he comes to judge.

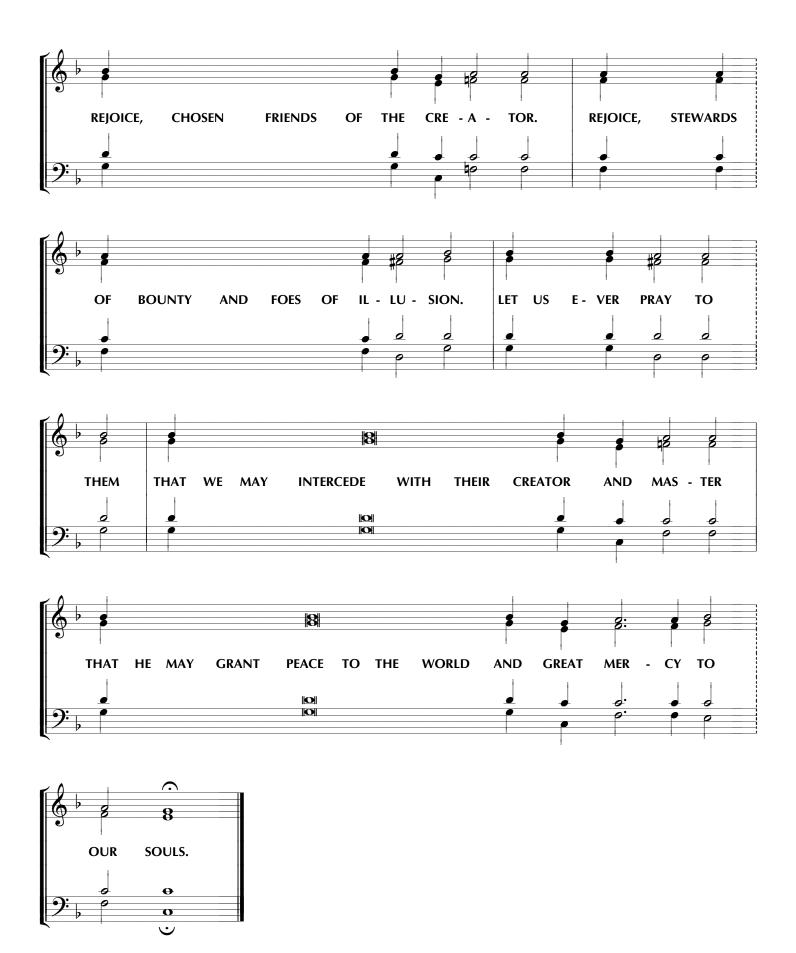
For the Lord's sake accept the authority of every human institution, whether of the emperor as supreme, or of governors, as sent by him to punish those who do wrong and to praise those who do right. For it is God's will that by doing right you should silence the ignorance of the foolish. As servants of God, live as free people, yet do not use your freedom as a pretext for evil. Honor everyone. Love the family of believers. Fear God. Honor the emperor. Slaves, accept the authority of your masters with all deference, not only those who are kind and gentle but also those who are harsh. For it is a credit to you if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly. If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, what credit is that? But if you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval. For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps.

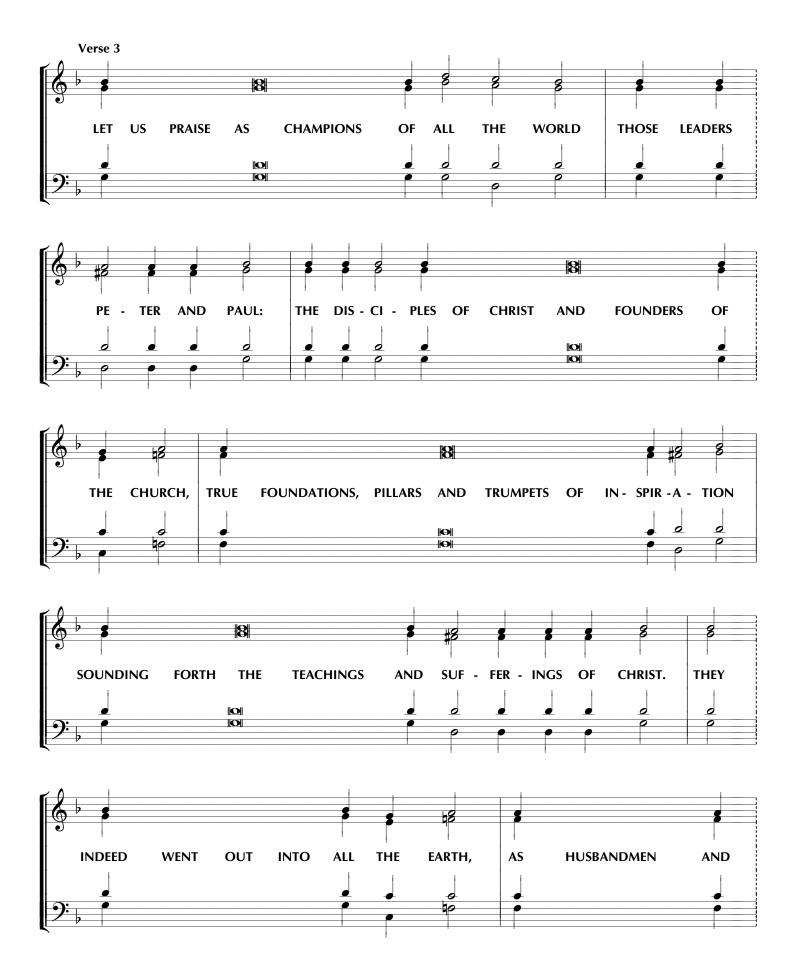
"He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth."

When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed.



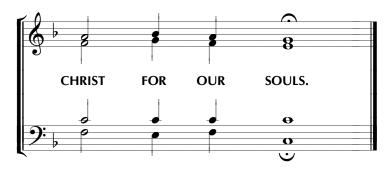


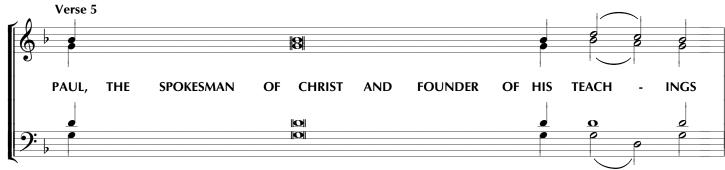


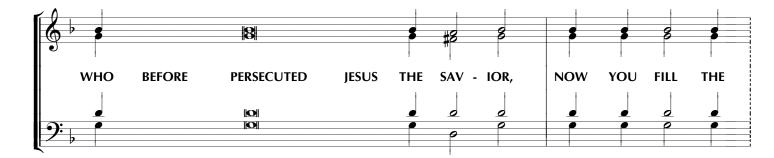




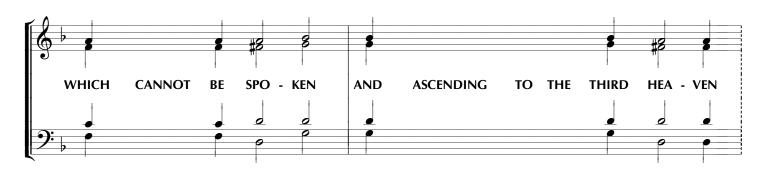


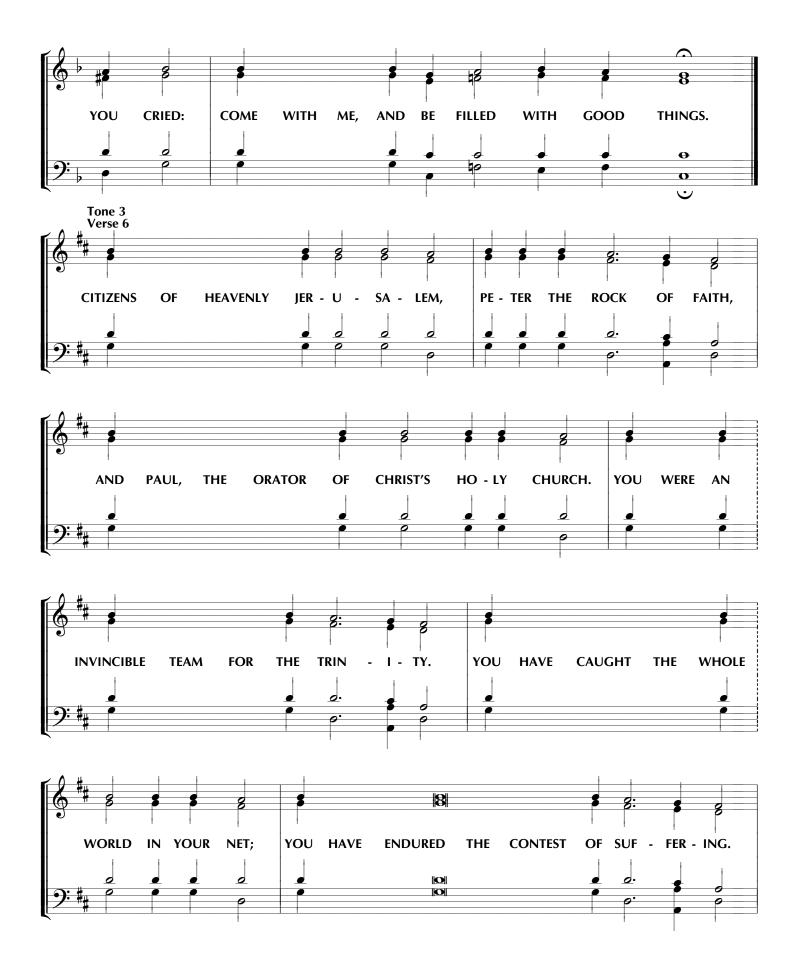


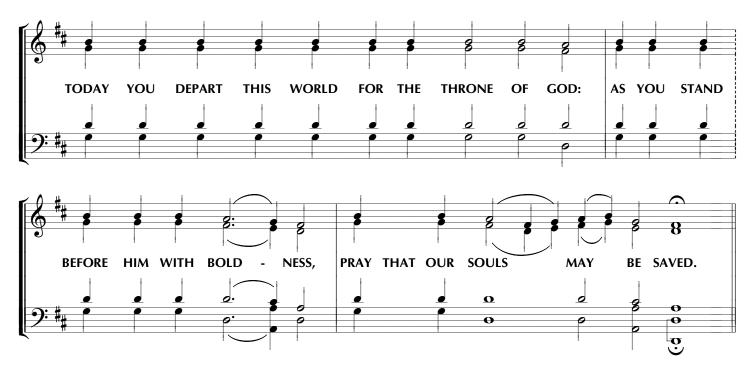




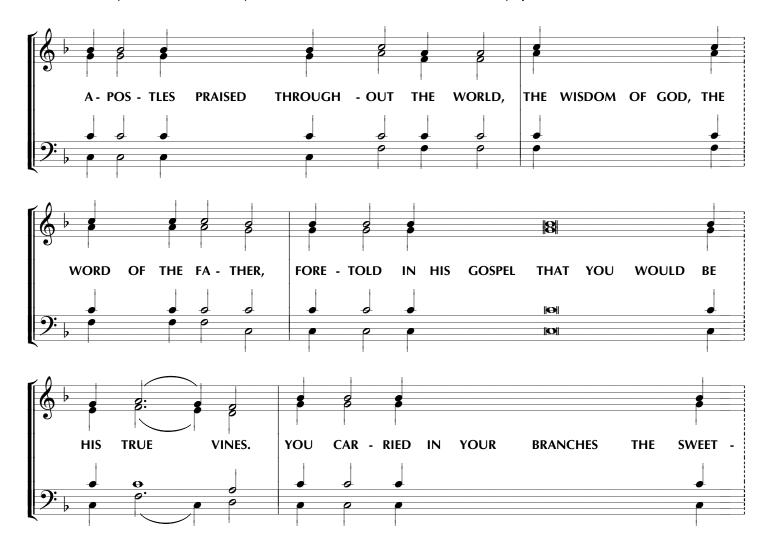






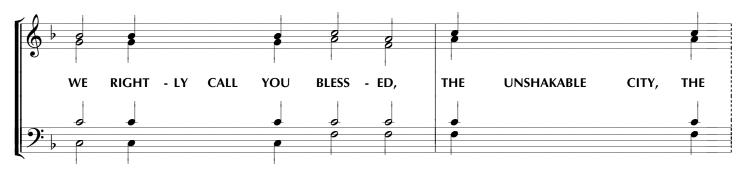


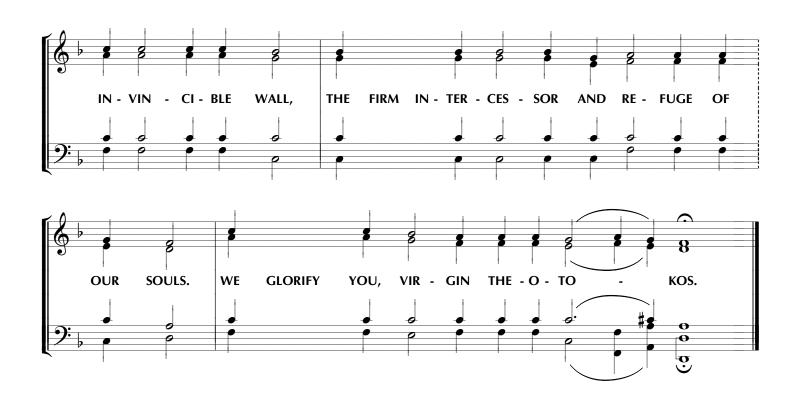
Glory in the 5th tone: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.





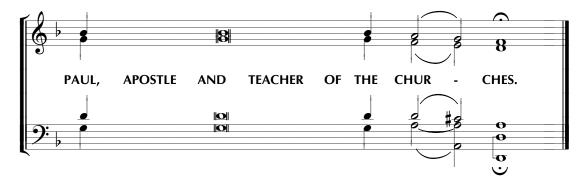
Now and ever in the same tone: Now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.



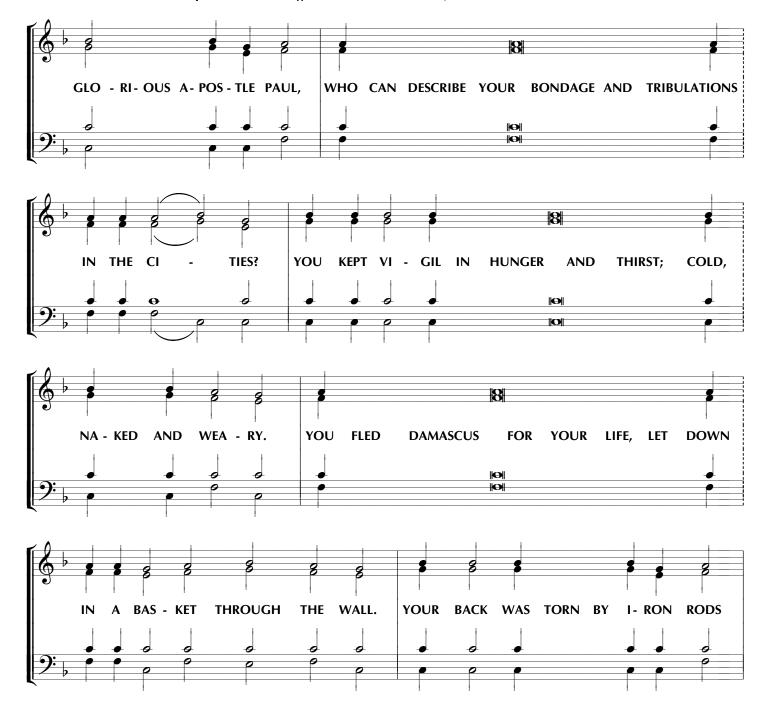


Aposticha





VERSE: Their proclamation has gone out into all the earth, and their words to the ends of the universe.







VERSE: The heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament proclaims His handiwork.

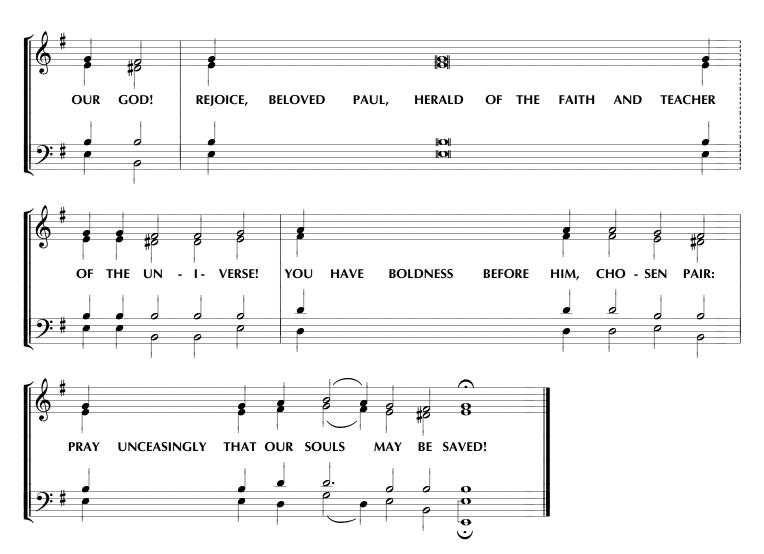




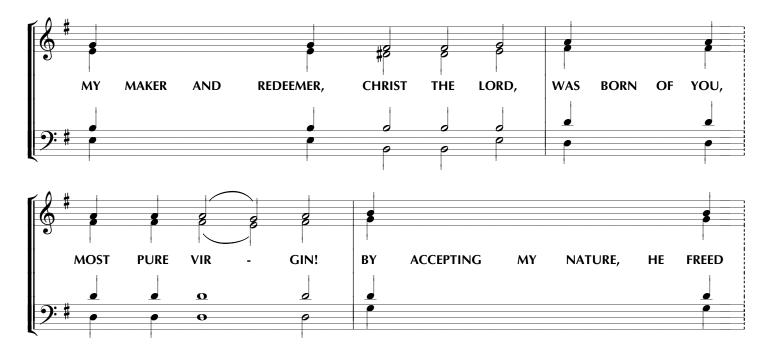


Glory in the 6th tone: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.



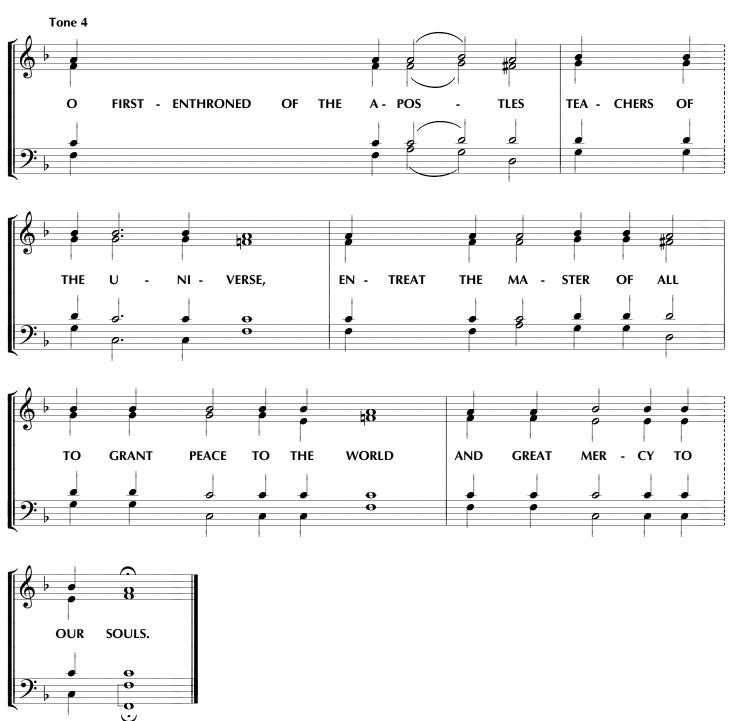


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