

# Dormition of the Theotokos

## Vespers

LORD, I CALL - Tone 1

LORD, I CALL UP - ON THEE, HEAR ME! HEAR, ME, O LORD! LORD, I CALL

The first system of music consists of two staves, treble and bass clef, in a key signature of one flat. The melody is primarily composed of chords and simple rhythmic patterns. The lyrics are: LORD, I CALL UP - ON THEE, HEAR ME! HEAR, ME, O LORD! LORD, I CALL

UP - ON THEE, HEAR ME! RE - CEIVE THE VOICE OF MY PRAYER WHEN I CALL

The second system continues the melody. The lyrics are: UP - ON THEE, HEAR ME! RE - CEIVE THE VOICE OF MY PRAYER WHEN I CALL

UP - ON THEE: HEAR ME, O LORD. LET MY PRAYER A - RISE

The third system continues the melody. The lyrics are: UP - ON THEE: HEAR ME, O LORD. LET MY PRAYER A - RISE

IN THY SIGHT AS IN - CENSE, AND LET THE LIFT - ING UP OF MY HANDS

The fourth system continues the melody. The lyrics are: IN THY SIGHT AS IN - CENSE, AND LET THE LIFT - ING UP OF MY HANDS

BE AN EVE - NING SAC - RI - FICE, HEAR ME, O LORD.

The fifth system concludes the piece. The lyrics are: BE AN EVE - NING SAC - RI - FICE, HEAR ME, O LORD.

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.

Verses 1,2,3

O MAR - VE - LOUS WON - DER! THE SOURCE OF LIFE IS LAID IN THE TOMB,

THE TOMB IT - SELF BECOMES A LADDER TO HEA - VEN. MAKE GLAD,

O GETH - SEM - A - NE, O SACRED A - BODE OF THE MOTH - ER OF GOD.

COME, O FAITHFUL, AND WITH GABRIEL TO LEAD US LET US CRY:

RE - JOICE, O FULL OF GRACE, THE LORD IS WITH YOU THROUGH YOU

GRANT - ING THE WORLD GREAT MER - CY.

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.

Verses 4,5,6

GLO - RI - OUS ARE YOUR MYSTERIES, O PURE LA - DY! YOU WERE MADE

THE THRONE OF THE MOST HIGH AND TO - DAY YOU ARE TRANSLATED FROM

EARTH TO HEA - VEN. YOUR GLORY IS FULL OF MA - JES - TY, SHIN - ING

WITH GRACE IN DI - VINE BRIGHT - NESS. O VIRGINS, ASCEND ON HIGH WITH

THE MO - THER OF THE KING, RE - JOICE, O FULL OF GRACE THE LORD

IS WITH YOU, THROUGH YOU GRANTING THE WORLD GREAT MER - CY.

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

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

Verses 7,8

THE DO - MIN - IONS AND THE THRONES, THE RULERS, THE PRINCIPALITIES,

AND THE POW - ERS, THE CHE - RU - BIM AND THE FEAR - FUL SER - A - PHIM

GLO - RI - FY YOUR DOR - MI - TION: AND THOSE WHO DWELL ON EARTH

RE - JOICE, A - DORNED BY YOUR DI - VINE GLO - RY. KINGS FALL DOWN

AND SING WITH THE ARCHANGELS AND THE AN - GELS RE - JOICE, O FULL

OF GRACE THE LORD IS WITH YOU, THROUGH YOU GRANTING THE

WORLD GREAT MER - CY.

Glory, Now and ever 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.

BY THE ROY - AL COM - MAND OF GOD THE DIVINELY INSPIRED APOSTLES

WERE CAUGHT UP FROM O - VER ALL THE WORLD IN - TO THE CLOUDS

ON HIGH. REACHING YOUR IMMACULATE BO - DY THE SOURCE OF LIFE

THEY SAL - UT - ED IT WITH MIGH - TY HON - OR. THE HIGHEST POWERS

OF HEAVEN STOOD BY WITH THEIR OWN MAS - TER THEY

ACCOMPANIED YOUR INVIOULATE BODY THAT HAD HELD GOD. SEIZED

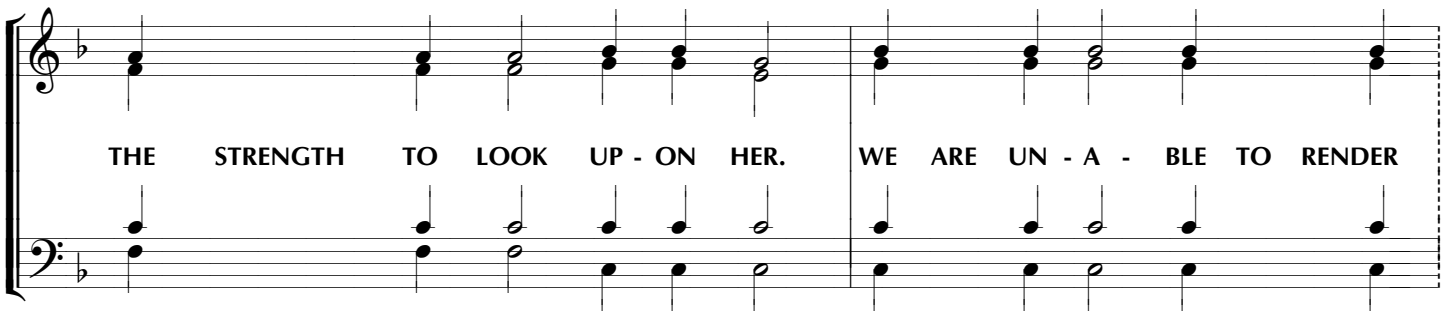
WITH DREAD, THEY WENT ON HIGH BE - FORE YOU. UN - SEEN THEY

CRIED TO THE HOSTS A - BOVE: LO, THE QUEEN OF ALL, THE MAID OF GOD,

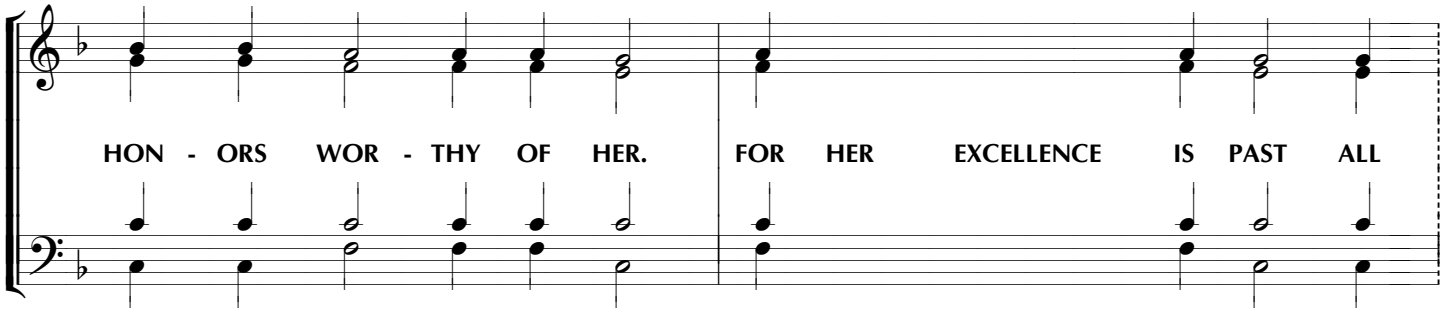
IS NIGH. OP - EN WIDE THE GATES AND RECEIVE A - BOVE THE WORLD

THE MO - THER OF EV - ER - LAST - ING LIGHT. FOR THROUGH HER

THE SALVATION OF ALL MAN - KIND HAS COME. WE HAVE NOT



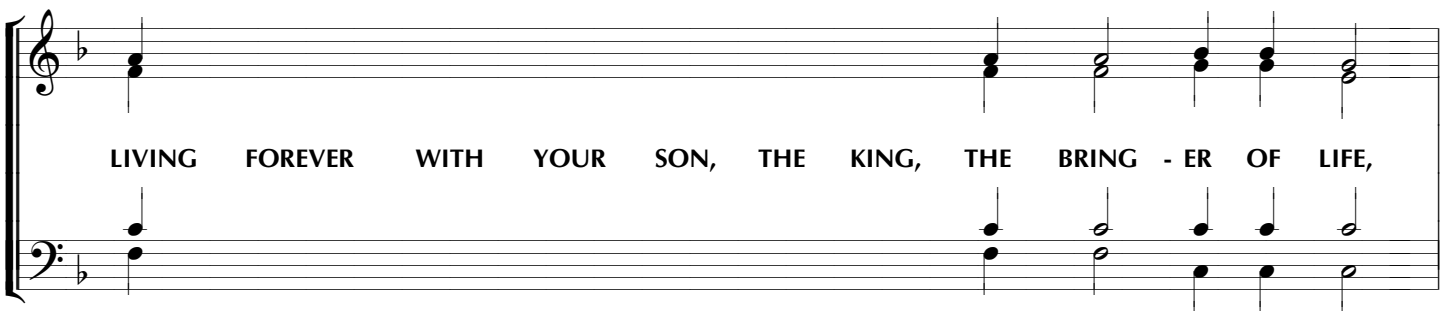
THE STRENGTH TO LOOK UP - ON HER. WE ARE UN - A - BLE TO RENDER



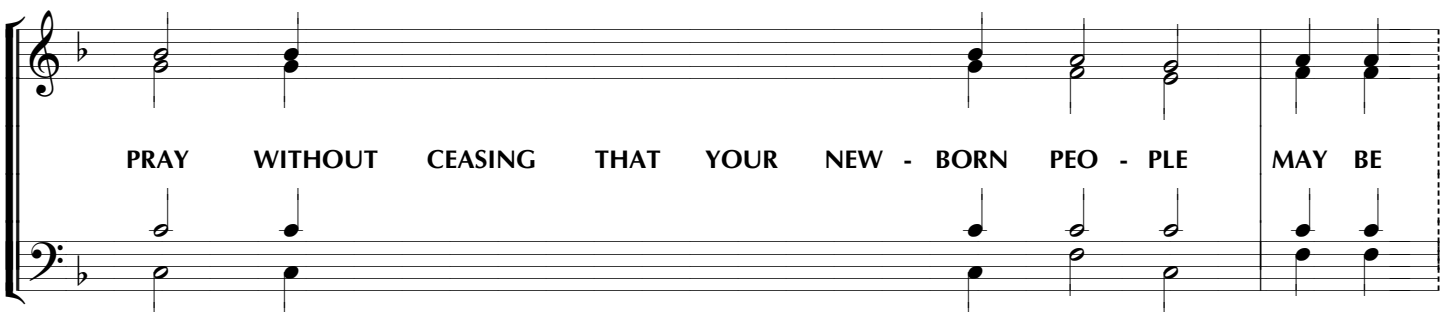
HON - ORS WOR - THY OF HER. FOR HER EXCELLENCE IS PAST ALL



UN - DER - STAND - ING. THERE - FORE, O MOST PURE THE - O - TO - KOS,



LIVING FOREVER WITH YOUR SON, THE KING, THE BRING - ER OF LIFE,



PRAY WITHOUT CEASING THAT YOUR NEW - BORN PEO - PLE MAY BE



GUARDED ON EVERY SIDE AND SAVED FROM ALL AD - VER - SI - TY,

FOR WE ARE UNDER YOUR PRO - TEC - TION, AND WE BLESS YOU

IN BEAUTY AND LIGHT UNTO ALL A - GES.

**O Gladsome Light**

**Prokimenon of the Day**

**3 Old Testament Readings:**

**Genesis 28:10-17**

**Ezekial 43:27-44:4**

**Proverbs 9:1-11**

Alternate Theotokion in the 8 Tones

arr. Archpriest Theodore Heckman

Tone 1

BY THE ROY - AL COM - MAND OF GOD, THE DIVINELY INSPIRED APOSTLES WERE

CAUGHT UP FROM O - VER ALL THE WORLD IN - TO THE CLOUDS ON

Tone 5

HIGH. REACH - ING YOUR IMMACULATE BODY, THE SOURCE OF LIFE, THEY

Tone 2

SALUTED IT WITH MIGHTY HON - OR. THE HIGHEST POWERS OF HEA -

Tone 6

VEN STOOD BY WITH THEIR OWN MAS - TER. SEIZED WITH DREAD, THEY

ACCOMPANIED THINE INVIOLEATE BODY THAT HAD HELD GOD, AND THEY WENT ON HIGH

BE - FORE THEE, CRYING, UNSEEN, TO THE HIER - AR - CHIES A - BOVE:

'LO! THE QUEEN OF ALL, THE MAID OF GOD IS NIGH.' O - PEN WIDE THE

Tone 3

GATES, AND RECEIVE ABOVE THE WORLD THE MOTHER OF THE EVER - LAST - ING

LIGHT FOR THROUGH HER THE SAL - VA - TION OF ALL MAN - KIND HAS COME.

Tone 7

WE HAVE NOT THE STRENGTH TO LOOK UP - ON HER, AND ARE UN - A - BLE

Tone 4

TO RENDER HONORS WOR - THY OF HER. FOR HER EXCELLENCE IS PAST

Tone 8

ALL UN - DER - STAND - ING. THERE - FORE, O MOST PURE THE -

O - TO - KOS, WHO LIVES FOR - EV - ER WITH THY SON,

THE KING WHO BRINGS LIFE, PRAY WITHOUT CEASING THAT THY NEWBORN PEOPLE

BE GUAR - DED ON EV - ERY SIDE AND SAVED FROM ALL AD - VERSE

AS - SAULT; FOR WE ARE UNDER THY PRO - TEC - TION. AND WE

Tone 1

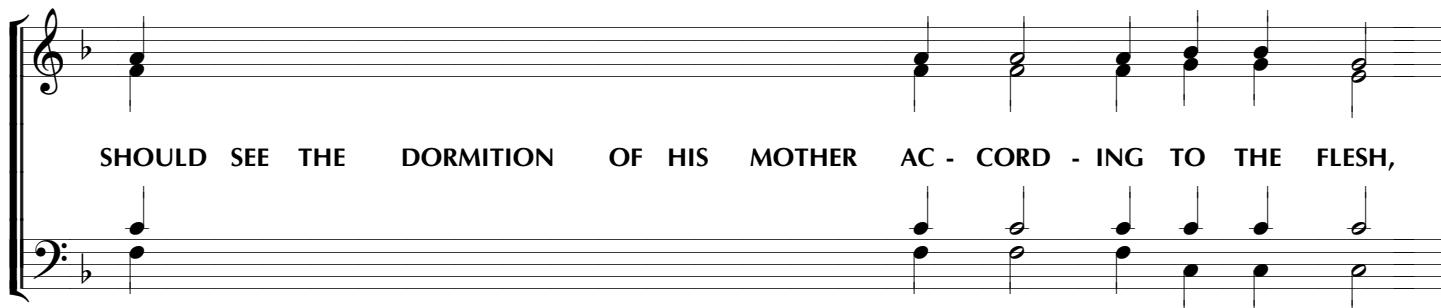
BLESS THEE IN BEAUTY AND LIGHT UN - TO ALL A - GES.

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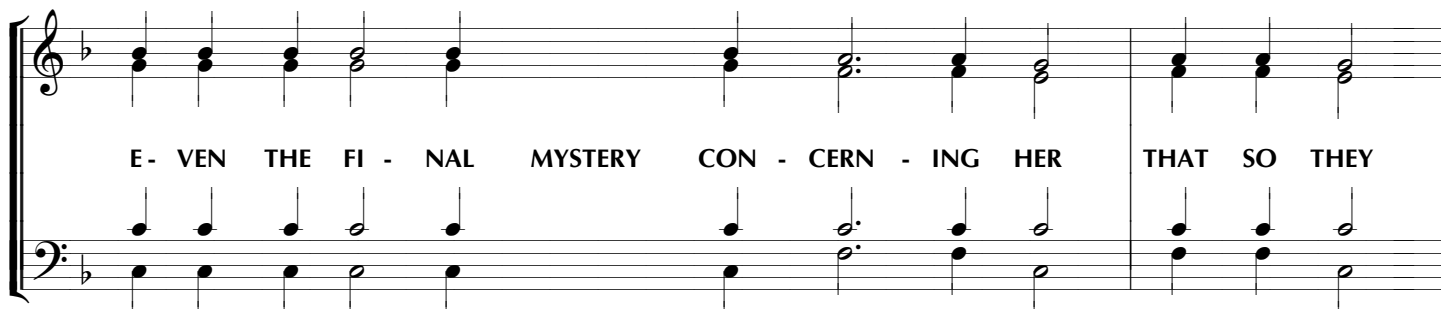
Verse 1 - Tone 1



IT WAS RIGHT THAT THE EYE - WITNESSES AND MIN - I- STERS OF THE WORD



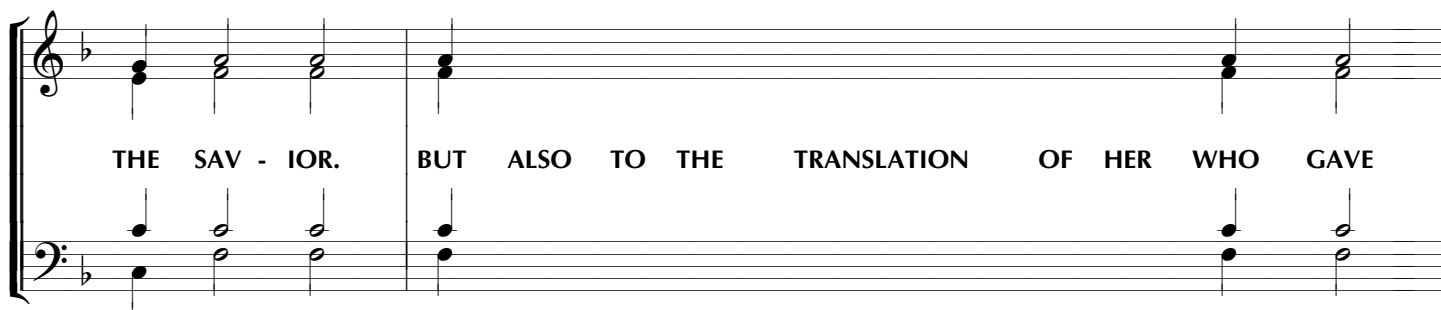
SHOULD SEE THE DORMITION OF HIS MOTHER AC - CORD - ING TO THE FLESH,



E - VEN THE FI - NAL MYSTERY CON - CERN - ING HER THAT SO THEY



MIGHT BE WIT - NESS - ES NOT ON - LY TO THE ASCENSION OF



THE SAV - IOR. BUT ALSO TO THE TRANSLATION OF HER WHO GAVE

HIM BIRTH. AS - SEM - BLED FROM ALL PARTS BY DI - VINE POW - ER,

THEY CAME TO ZI - ON, AND SPED ON HER WAY TO HEA - VEN,

THE VIRGIN WHO IS HIGHER THAN THE CHE - RU - BIM WE ALSO

VENERATE HER FOR SHE PRAYS FOR OUR SOULS.

Verse 2 - Tone 2

SHE WHO IS HIGHER THAN THE HEA - VENS AND MORE GLORIOUS

THAN THE CHE - RU - BIM, SHE WHO IS HELD IN GREATER HONOR THAN

ALL CRE - A - TION, SHE WHO BY REASON OF HER SURPASSING PUR - I - TY

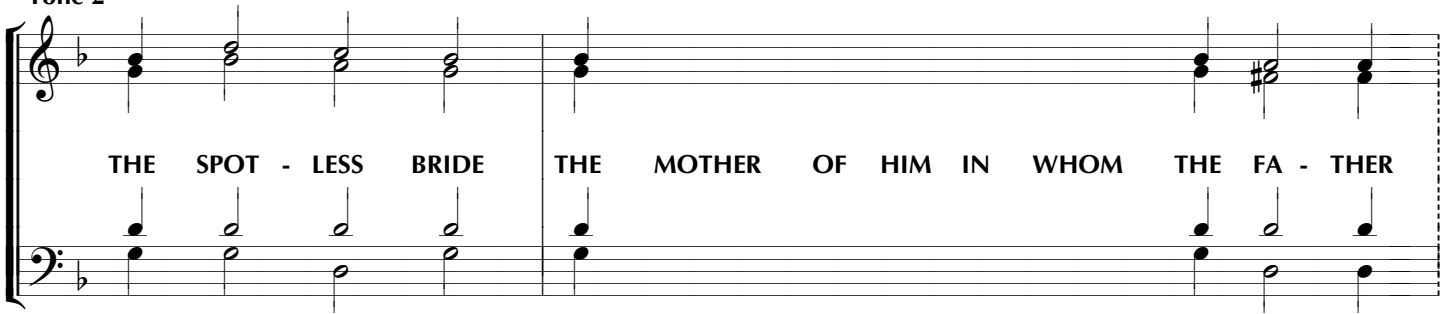
BECAME THE RE - CEIV - ER OF THE EVERLASTING ES - SENCE TO - DAY COMMENDS

HER MOST PURE HANDS INTO THE HANDS OF HER SON. WITH HER ALL

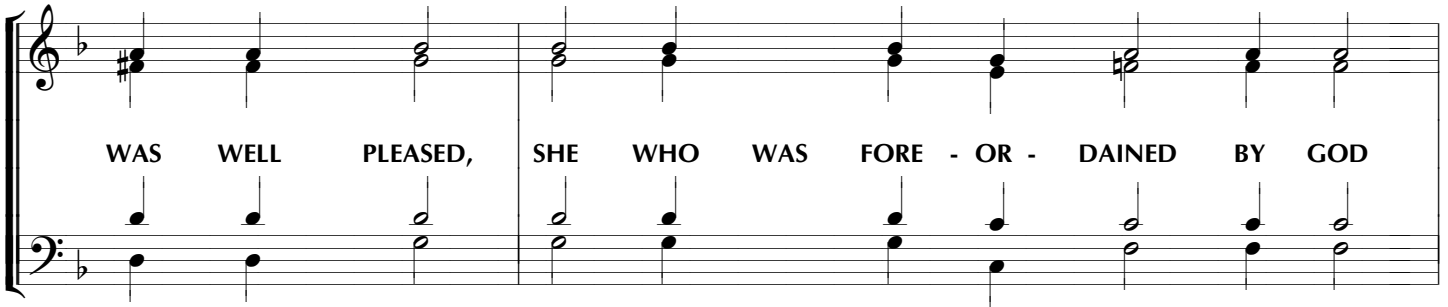
THINGS ARE FILLED WITH JOY AND SHE BESTOWS GREAT MER - CY UP - ON US.



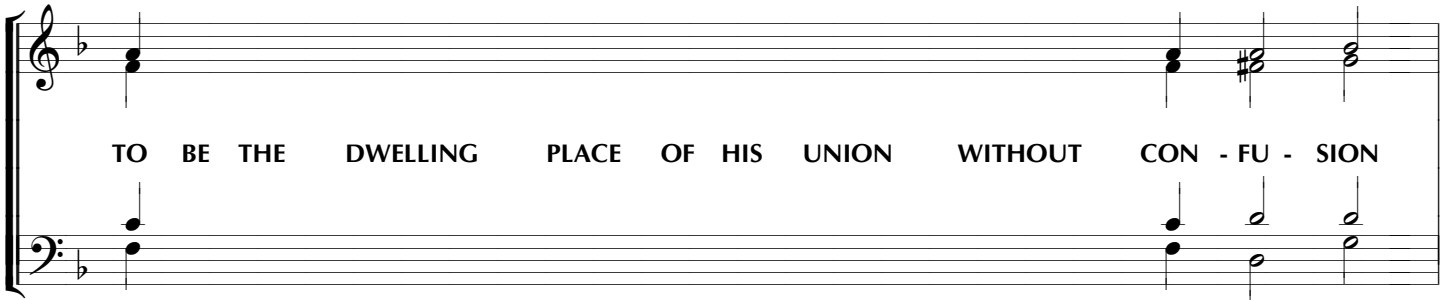
Tone 2



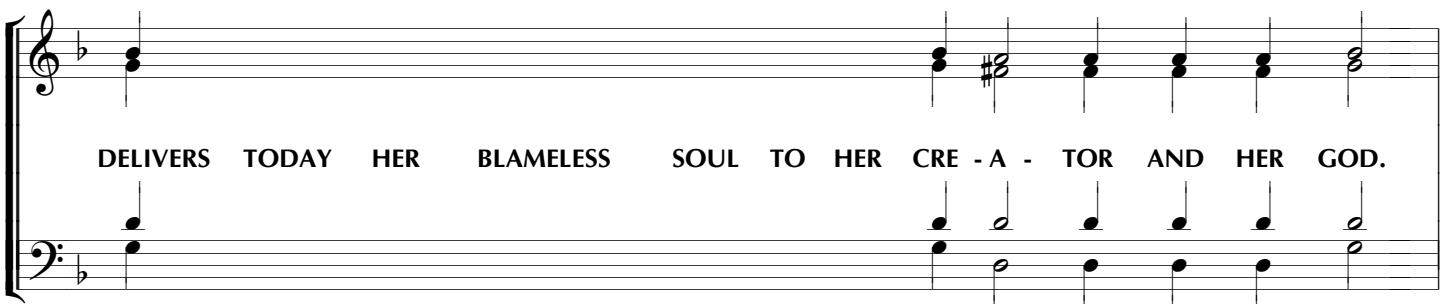
THE SPOT - LESS BRIDE THE MOTHER OF HIM IN WHOM THE FA - THER



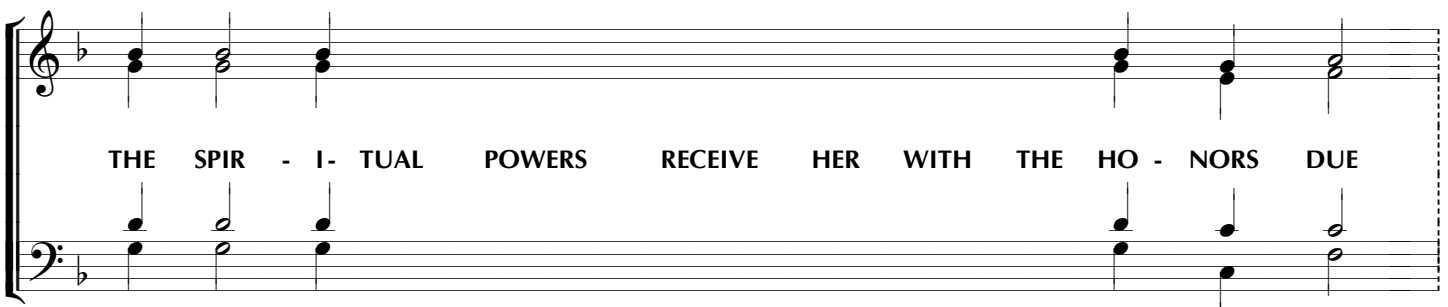
WAS WELL PLEASSED, SHE WHO WAS FORE - OR - DAINED BY GOD



TO BE THE DWELLING PLACE OF HIS UNION WITHOUT CON - FU - SION



DELIVERS TODAY HER BLAMELESS SOUL TO HER CRE - A - TOR AND HER GOD.



THE SPIR - I - TUAL POWERS RECEIVE HER WITH THE HO - NORS DUE

TO GOD, AND SHE WHO IS TRULY THE MOTHER OF LIFE DE - PARTS

UN - TO LIFE, THE LAMP OF THE LIGHT WHICH NO MAN CAN AP - PROACH

THE SALVATION OF THE FAITH - FUL AND HOPE OF OUR SOULS.

Tone 3

COME ALL YE ENDS OF THE EARTH LET US PRAISE THE MOST HOLY

TRANSLATION OF THE MO - THER OF GOD: FOR SHE HAS DELIVERED HER

SOUL INTO THE HANDS OF HER SON, THEREFORE THE WORLD RESTORED TO

LIFE BY HER HOLY DOR - MI - TION, IN RADIANT JOY CEL - E -

BRATES THIS FEAST WITH PSALMS AND HYMNS AND SPIR - I - TUAL SONGS

TOGETHER WITH THE AN - GELS AND A - POS - TLES.

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

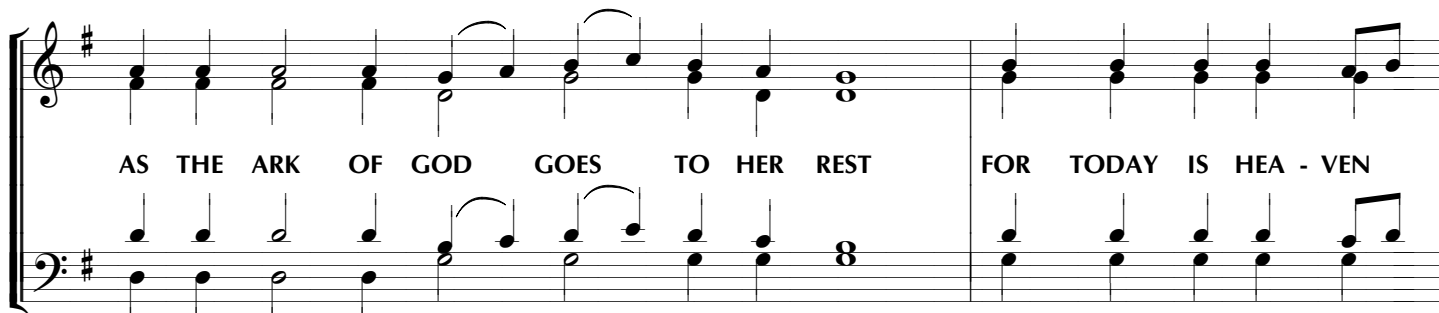
*Pskov Chant*



COME, O GATHERING OF THOSE WHO LOVE TO KEEP THE FEAST COME AND



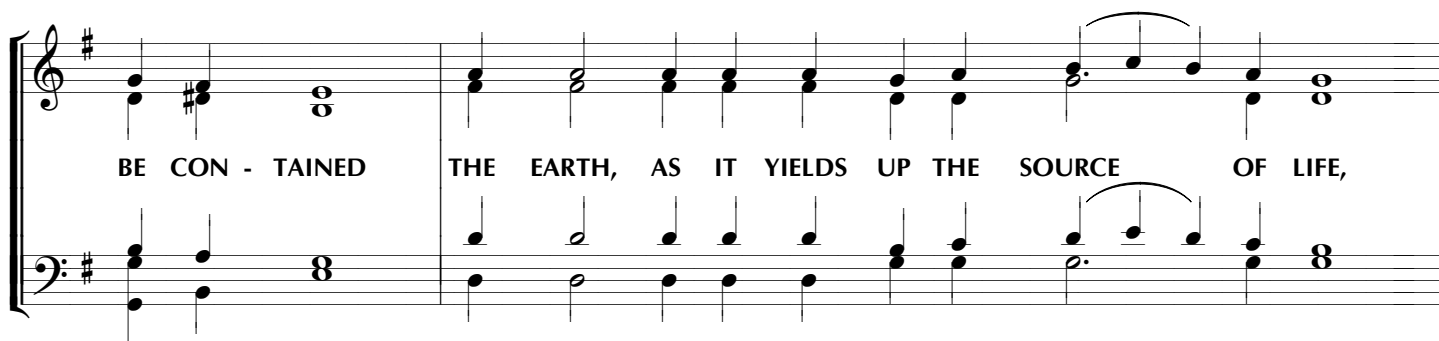
LET US FORM A CHOIR. COME, LET US CROWN THE CHURCH WITH SONGS,



AS THE ARK OF GOD GOES TO HER REST FOR TODAY IS HEA - VEN



O - PENED WIDE AS IT RE - CEIVES THE MOTHER OF HIM WHO CAN - NOT



BE CON - TAINED THE EARTH, AS IT YIELDS UP THE SOURCE OF LIFE,

IS ROBED IN BLESS - ING AND MA - JES - TY THE HOSTS OF ANGELS, PRESENT

WITH THE FELLOWSHIP OF THE A - POS - TLES, GAZE IN GREAT FEAR

AT HER WHO BORE THE CAUSE OF LIFE, NOW THAT SHE IS TRANSLATED

FROM LIFE TO LIFE. LET US ALL VE - NE - RATE AND IM - PLORE

HER: FOR - GET NOT, O LADY, THY TIES OF KIN - SHIP WITH

THOSE WHO COM - MEM - O - RATE IN FAITH THE FEAST OF THINE ALL - HO -

LY DOR - MI - TION.

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

SING, O PEOPLE, SING THE PRAIS - ES OF THE MO - THER OF OUR GOD:

FOR TODAY SHE DELIVERS HER SOUL, FULL OF LIGHT, INTO THE IM - MA -

CU - LATE HANDS OF HIM WHO WAS MADE INCARNATE OF HER WITH - OUT SEED.

AND SHE ENTREATS HIM WITHOUT CEASING TO GRANT THE INHABITED EARTH

PEACE AND GREAT MER - CY.

APOSTICHA - Tone 4  
Verse 1

COME, O PEO - PLE, LET US SING THE PRAISES OF THE PURE AND MOST HO - LY

VIR - GIN! FROM HER THE WORD OF THE FATHER INEFFABLY CAME FORTH IN

CAR - NATE. LET US CRY A - LOUD AND SAY: BLESS - ED ARE YOU

A - MONG WO - MEN, AND BLESSED IS YOUR WOMB THAT HELD CHRIST.

HAVING DELIVERED YOUR SOUL INTO HIS HO - LY HANDS, ENTREAT HIM,

O MOST PURE ONE, FOR THE SAL - VA - TION OF OUR SOULS.

READER: Arise, O Lord, into thy rest: Thou and the ark of Thy Holiness.

Verse 2

O PURE AND MOST HO - LY VIR - GIN THE MULTITUDE OF ANGELS IN HEAVEN AND

MAN - KIND ON EARTH EX - TOL AND VEN - ER - ATE YOUR DOR - MI - TION



FOR YOU ARE THE MOTHER OF CHRIST, OUR GOD AND THE CRE - A - TOR OF ALL.

NEVER CEASE TO INTERCEDE WITH HIM ON OUR BE - HALF: FOR NEXT TO

GOD WE HAVE PUT OUR HOPE IN YOU, O GLORIOUS AND UN - WED - ED

THE - O - TO - KOS.

**READER:** The Lord hath sworn in truth unto David: and He will not turn from it.

Verse 3

COME, O PEO - PLE, LET US SING TODAY UNTO CHRIST OUR GOD A SONG

OF DA - VID: THE VIR - GINS THAT FOL - LOW HER SHALL BE BROUGHT TO THE

KING: WITH GLADNESS AND REJOICING SHALL THEY BE BROUGHT. FOR SHE,

THROUGH WHOM WE HAVE BEEN MADE GOD - LIKE, IS OF THE SEED OF DA - VID.

GLORIOUSLY AND INEFFABLY SHE COM - MENDS HER - SELF INTO THE

HANDS OF HER OWN SON AND MAS - TER PRAISING HER AS THE

MO - THER OF GOD WE CRY AND SAY: FROM ALL DISTRESS SAVE US

WHO CONFESS THEE, O THE - O - TO - KOS AND GRANT OUR SOULS

DELIVERANCE FROM TRI - BU - LA - TIONS!

**READER:** Glory, now and ever 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.

AT YOUR DEPARTING, O VIRGIN THE - O - TO - KOS, TO HIM WHO WAS

IN - EF - FA - BLY BORN BY YOU JAMES, THE FIRST BISHOP AND BROTHER OF

THE LORD, WAS THERE. SO WAS PETER THE HONORED LEADER AND CHIEF OF

THE DIS - CI - PLES AND THE WHOLE SACRED FELLOWSHIP OF THE A -

POS - TLES. IN DISCOURSES THAT SHOWED FORTH HEA -

VEN - LY THINGS, THEY SANG THE PRAISES OF THE DIVINE AND AMAZING

MYS - TE - RY OF THE DISPENSATION OF CHRIST OUR GOD.

THEY REJOICED, O GLORIOUS VIRGIN, AS THEY BURIED YOUR BO - DY THE

ORIGIN OF LIFE AND THE HOLD - ER OF GOD. ON HIGH THE MOST HOLY AND

VENERABLE OF THE AN - GEL - IC POW - ERS BOWED IN WONDER

BEFORE THIS MARVEL AND SAID TO ONE AN - OTH - ER: OPEN WIDE YOUR

GATES AND RECEIVE HER WHO BORE THE CREATOR OF HEA - VEN AND EARTH!

WITH SONGS OF PRAISE LET US GLORIFY HER PRECIOUS AND HO - LY

This system consists of a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The vocal line has a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. The piano accompaniment has a bass clef and the same key signature. The lyrics are: WITH SONGS OF PRAISE LET US GLORIFY HER PRECIOUS AND HO - LY.

BO - DY, DWELLING PLACE OF THE LORD ON WHOM WE MAY NOT GAZE.

This system continues the vocal and piano lines. The lyrics are: BO - DY, DWELLING PLACE OF THE LORD ON WHOM WE MAY NOT GAZE.

WE TOO, AS WE KEEP THE FEAST, CRY OUT TO YOU, O GLORIOUS

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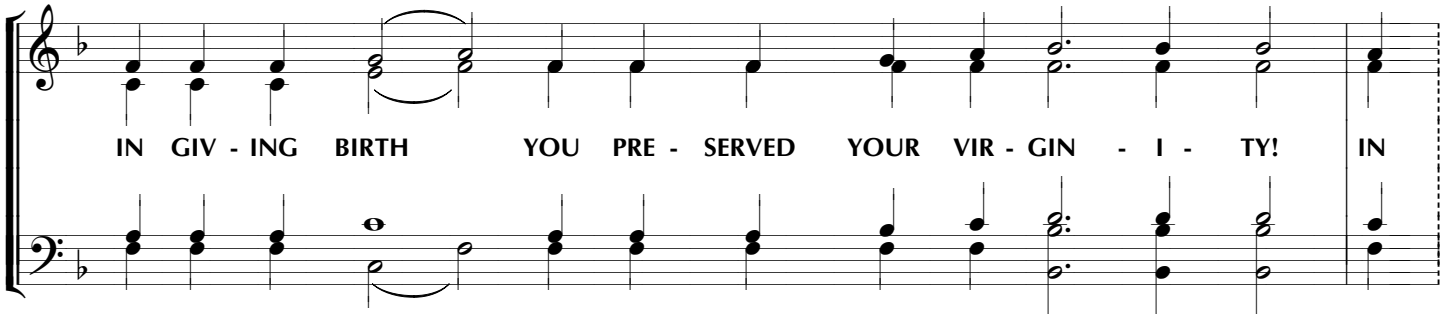
LA - DY: RAISE UP THE CHRISTIAN PEO - PLE AND SAVE OUR SOULS.

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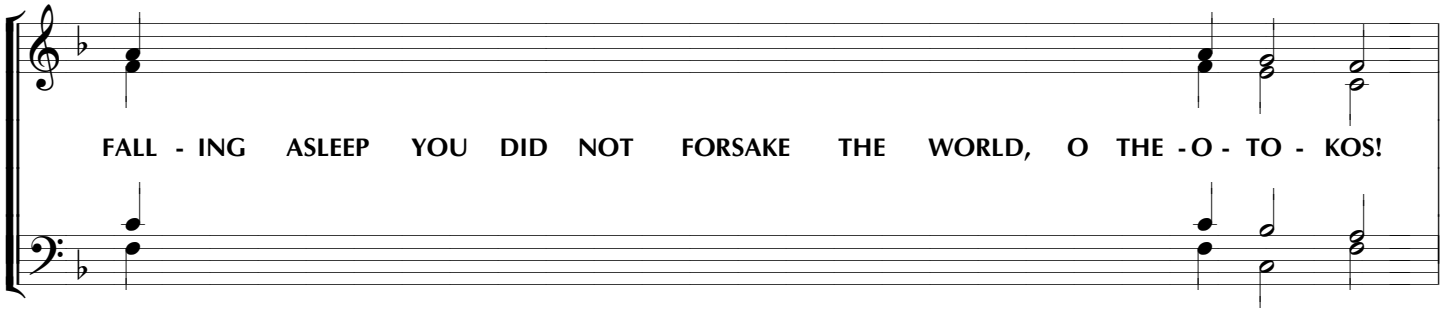
ST. SIMEON'S PRAYER

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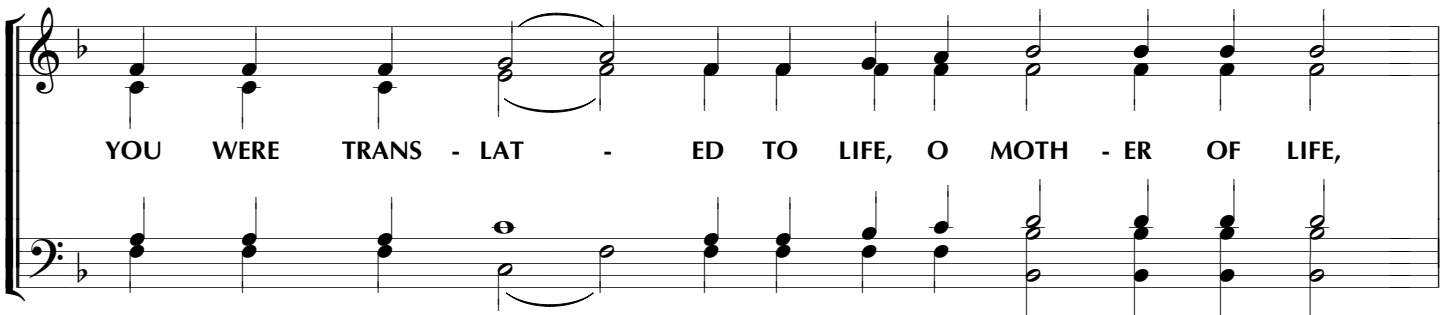
TROPARION - Tone 1



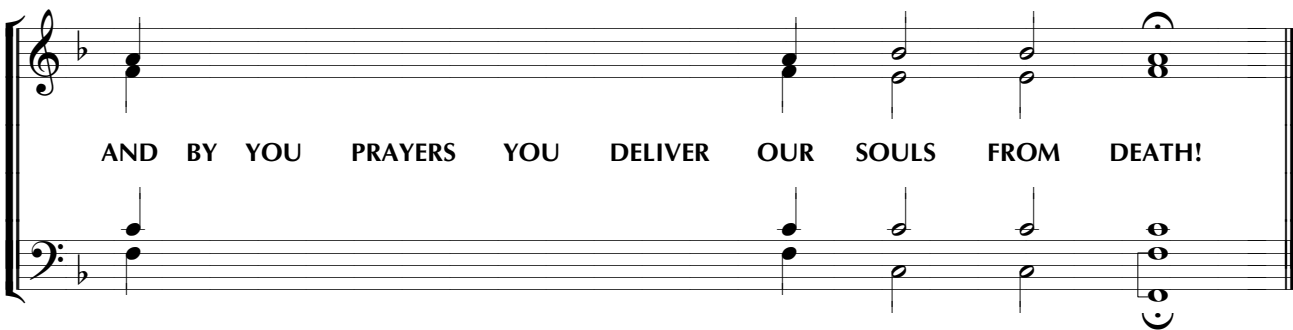
IN GIV - ING BIRTH YOU PRE - SERVED YOUR VIR - GIN - I - TY! IN



FALL - ING ASLEEP YOU DID NOT FORSAKE THE WORLD, O THE - O - TO - KOS!



YOU WERE TRANS - LAT - ED TO LIFE, O MOTH - ER OF LIFE,



AND BY YOU PRAYERS YOU DELIVER OUR SOULS FROM DEATH!