

The Great Blessing of Water

on Epiphany

Following the prayer behind the ambo, at Divine Liturgy, we sing the following:

Verse 1 - Tone 8

THE VOICE OF THE LORD UPON THE WATERS CRIED SAY - ING:

COME, RECEIVE ALL THE SPIRIT OF WIS - DOM, THE SPIR - IT OF

UN - DER - STAND - ING, THE SPIRIT OF THE FEAR OF GOD,

OF CHRIST WHO IS MADE MAN - I - FEST. 3 TIMES

Verse 2

TO - DAY THE NATURE OF THE WATERS IS SANC - TI - FIED AND THE JOR - DAN

IS PAR - TED IN TWO; IT HOLDS BACK THE STREAM OF ITS OWN WA -

TERS SEE - ING THE MAS - TER WASH HIM - SELF. TWICE

Verse 3

AS A MAN THOU DID COME TO THE RIVER, O CHRIST THE KING,

HAST - ENING TO RECEIVE THE BAPTISM OF A SER - VANT, AT THE HANDS OF

THE FORERUNNER FOR THE SAKE OF OUR SINS, O THOU WHO

LOV - EST MAN - KIND. TWICE

GLO - RY TO THE FATHER, AND TO THE SON, AND TO THE HOLY SPIR - IT,

NOW AND EV - ER AND UN - TO A - GES OF A - GES. A - MEN.

Verse 4

TO THE VOICE OF ONE CRYING IN THE WIL - DER - NESS: "PRE - PARE YE

THE WAY OF THE LORD", THOU DID COME, O LORD, TAKING THE FORM

OF A SER - VANT, ASK - ING FOR BAPTISM, THOU KNOW - EST NOT SIN.

THE WATERS SAW THEE AND WERE A - FRAID THE FORERUNNER BE - GAN

TO TREM - BLE AND CRIED SAY - ING: HOW SHALL THE SERVANT LAY

HANDS ON THE MAS - TER? SANCTIFY ME AND THE WATERS O

SAV - IOR, WHO TAKES AWAY THE SINS OF THE WORLD.

3 OLD TESTAMENT READINGS

Isaiah 35:1-10

Isaiah: 55:1-13

Isaiah 12:3-6

Prokimenon

Tone 3

Znamenny Chant

THE LORD IS MY LIGHT AND MY SAVIOR

WHOM SHALL I FEAR?

EPISTLE READING
Corinthians 10:1-4

Tone 3

Common Chant

THE LORD IS MY LIGHT AND MY SAVIOR WHOM SHALL I FEAR?

Alleluia

Tone 4

Znamenny

AL - LE - LU - I - A, AL - LE - LU - I - A, AL - LE - LU - I - A.

GOSPEL READING
Mark 1:9-11

LITANY

PRAYERS FOR THE BLESSING OF WATER

Troparion

Tone 1

WHEN THOU, O LORD WAS BAP - TIZED IN THE JOR - DAN,

THE WORSHIP OF THE TRINITY WAS MADE MAN - I - FEST FOR THE

VOICE OF THE FA - THER BARE WIT - NESS TO THEE, AND CALLED THEE

HIS BE - LOV - ED SON! AND THE SPIR - IT, IN THE FORM OF A DOVE

CON - FIRMED THE TRUTH - FUL - NESS OF HIS WORD. O CHRIST OUR GOD WHO

HAS RE - VEALED THY - SELF AND HAS ENLIGHTENED THE WORLD GLO - RY TO THEE!

After the Troparion we sing the following in Tone 6:

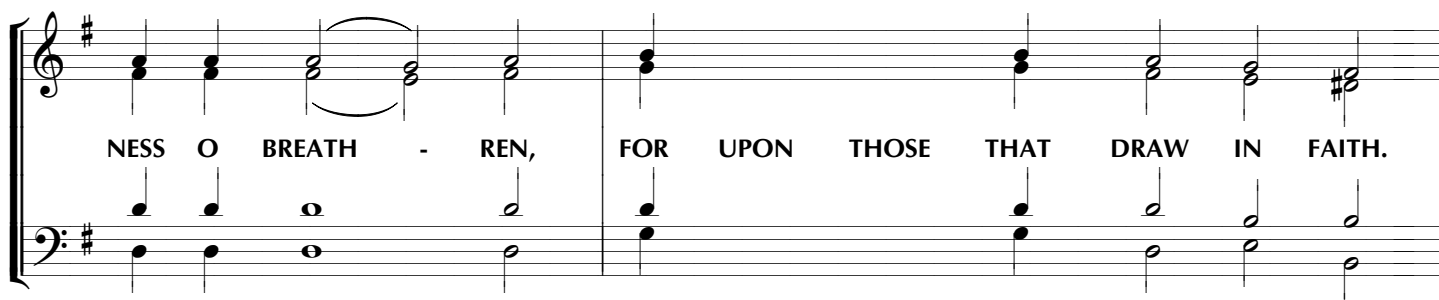
Musical notation for the first line of the hymn, featuring a treble and bass clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are: YOU FAITHFUL, LET US PRAISE THE GREATNESS OF GOD'S DIS - PEN - SA - TION FOR US,

Musical notation for the second line of the hymn, featuring a treble and bass clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are: FOR HE WHO BECAME MAN BECAUSE OF OUR TRANSGRESSIONS AND WHO ALONE IS

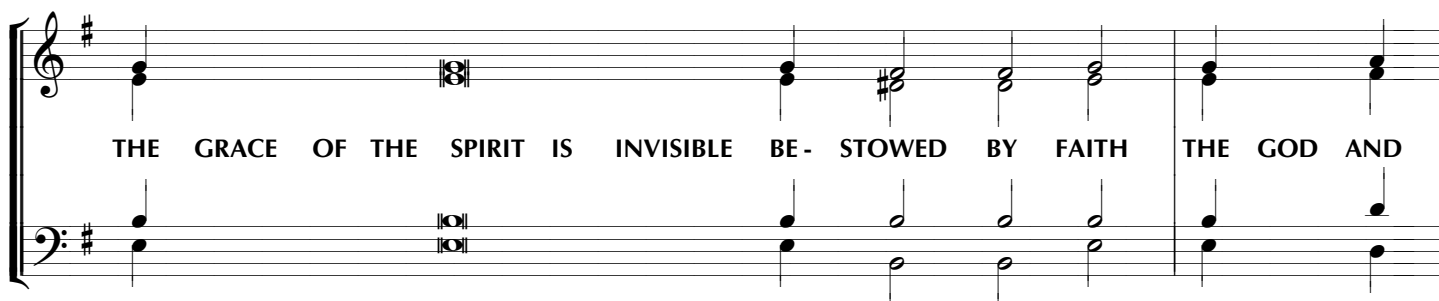
Musical notation for the third line of the hymn, featuring a treble and bass clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are: CLEAN AND UN - DE - FILED, FOR OUR CLEANSING WAS CLEANSED IN

Musical notation for the fourth line of the hymn, featuring a treble and bass clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are: JOR - DAN, THAT HE MIGHT SANCTIFY ME AND THE WATERS AND CRUSH THE

Musical notation for the fifth line of the hymn, featuring a treble and bass clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are: HEADS OF THE DRAGONS IN THE WA - TER. LET US THEN DRAW WATER IN GLAD -



NESS O BREATH - REN, FOR UPON THOSE THAT DRAW IN FAITH.



THE GRACE OF THE SPIRIT IS INVISIBLE BE - STOWED BY FAITH THE GOD AND



SAV - IOR OF OUR SOULS.

Blessed be the Name of the Lord (3 times)
and then the conclusion of the Liturgy.