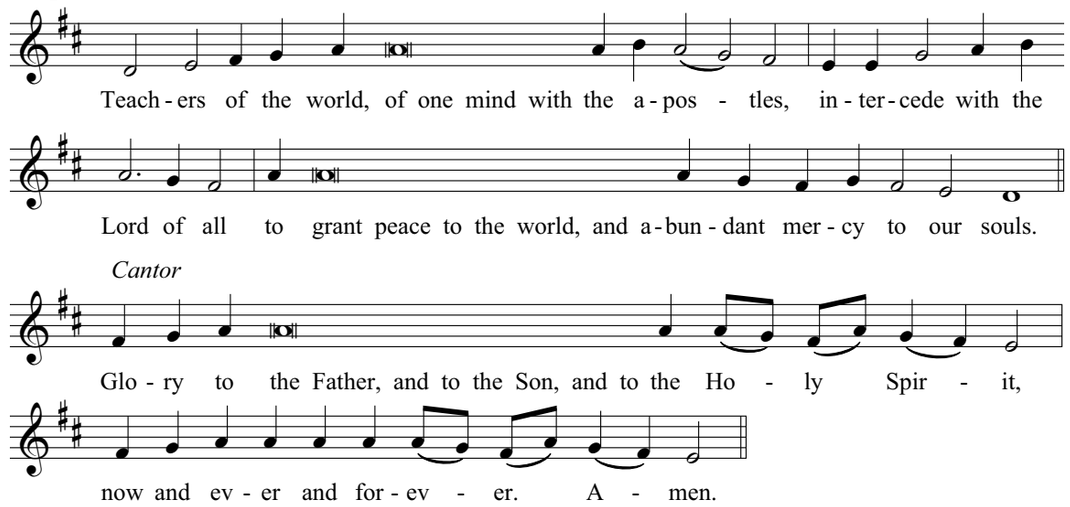
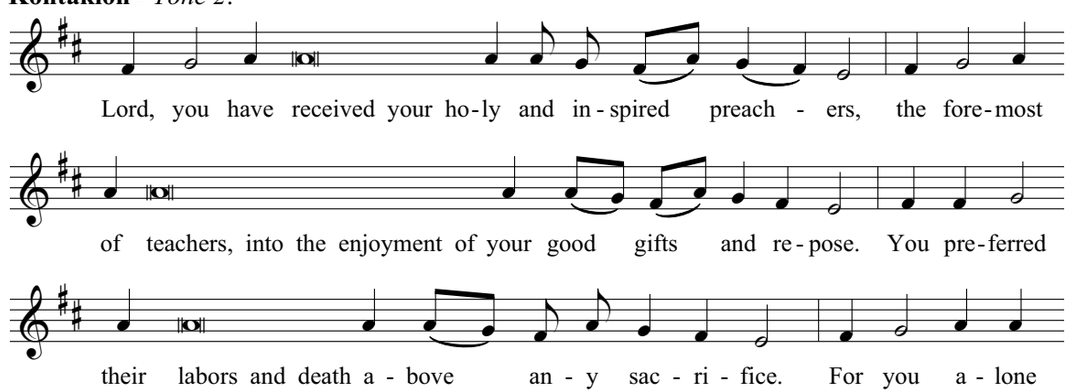
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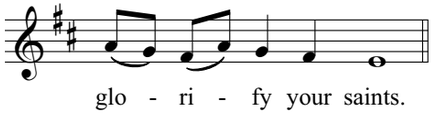
THE THREE HOLY HIERARCHS: BASIL THE GREAT, GREGORY THE THEOLOGIAN, AND JOHN CHRYSOSTOM. All three of these saints have their own feast days. This celebration began in 1100 in the days of the Emperor Alexis Comnenus. A great quarrel arose in Constantinople as to which of these three was the greatest theologian. They appeared in a dream to then Patriarch John and told him that they were equal before God, and each had his special gifts and talents. John chose January 30 to commemorate all three of them together, and composed the office.

Troparion - *Tone 4:*

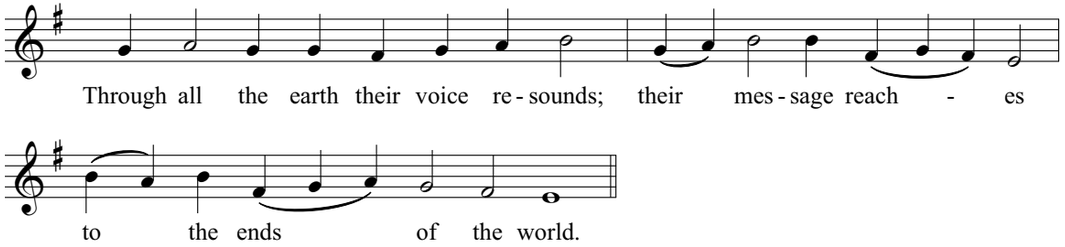


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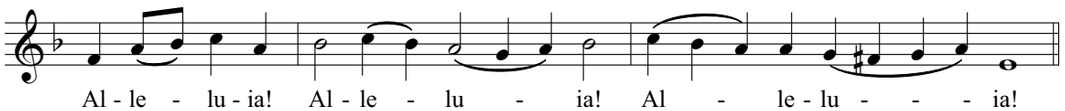




Prokeimenon - *Tone 8* (Psalm 18:5,2):



Verse: The heavens declare the glory of God, and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.

Alleluia - *Tone 4* (Psalm 88:6,8):



Verse: The heavens declare your wonders, O Lord, and your truth in the assembly of the holy.
Verse: God is glorified in the council of the holy,
great and awesome above all who surround him.

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Communion Hymn (Psalm 32:1):

