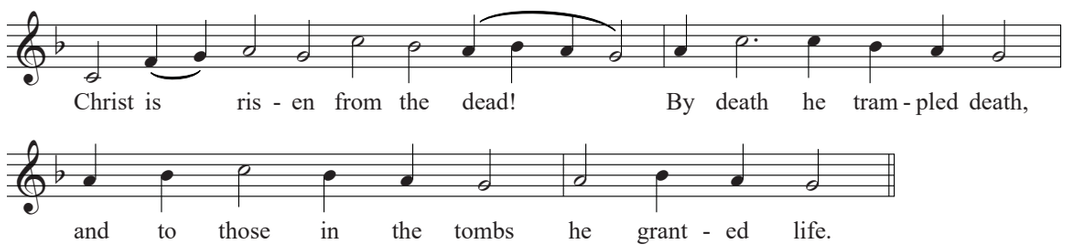
Matins Propers
Sunday of the Samaritan Woman
Fifth Paschal Sunday

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After "Glory to the holy, consubstantial…Amen", the following is sung, once by the celebrant and twice by the faithful:

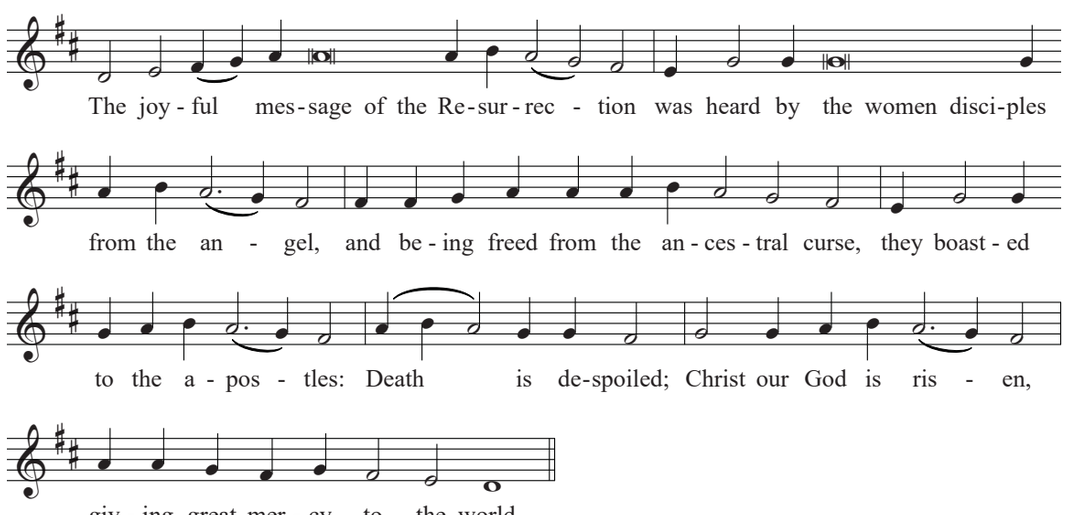
Troparion - *Special Tone 5*



The service continues with the Hexapsalmos, and the Litany of Peace.

"The Lord is God" Tone 4, p. 162.

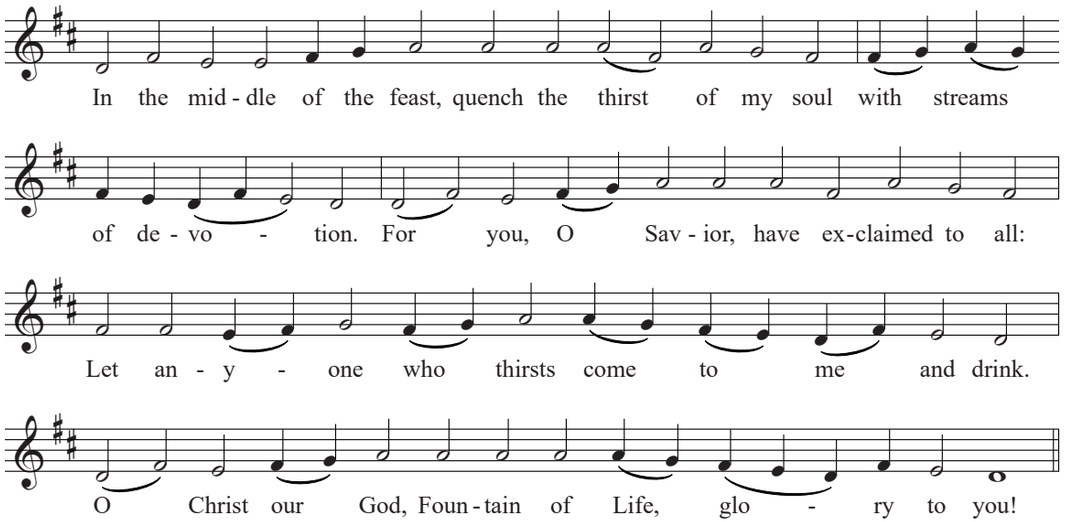
Troparion of the Resurrection - *Tone 4 (sung twice)*



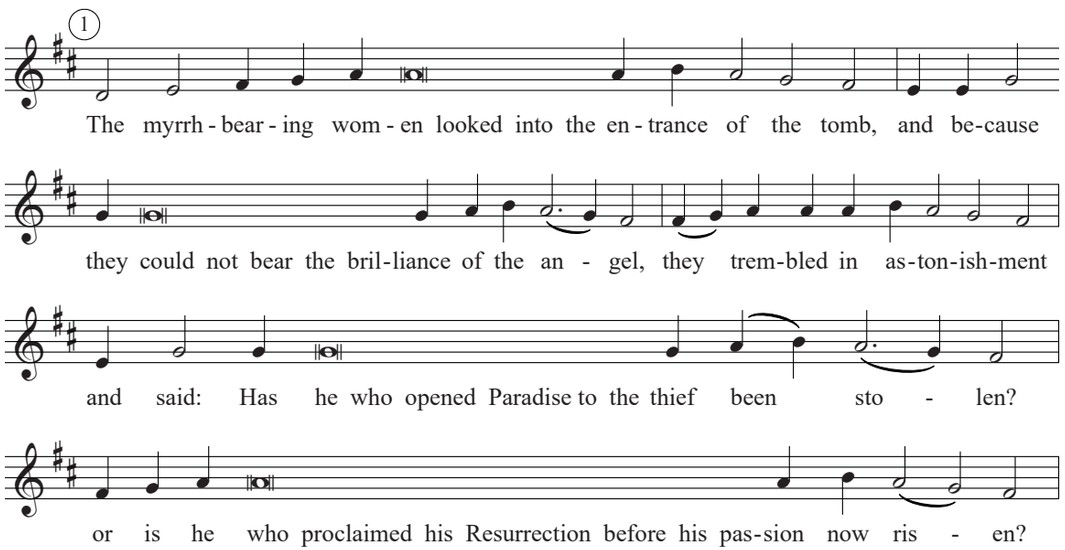
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Cantor: *(Tone 8)* Glory…now and ever…

Troparion of Mid-Pentecost - *Tone 8*
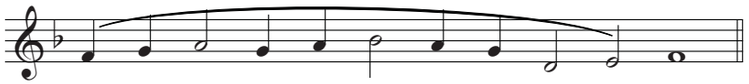


Sessional Hymn 1 - *Tone 4*

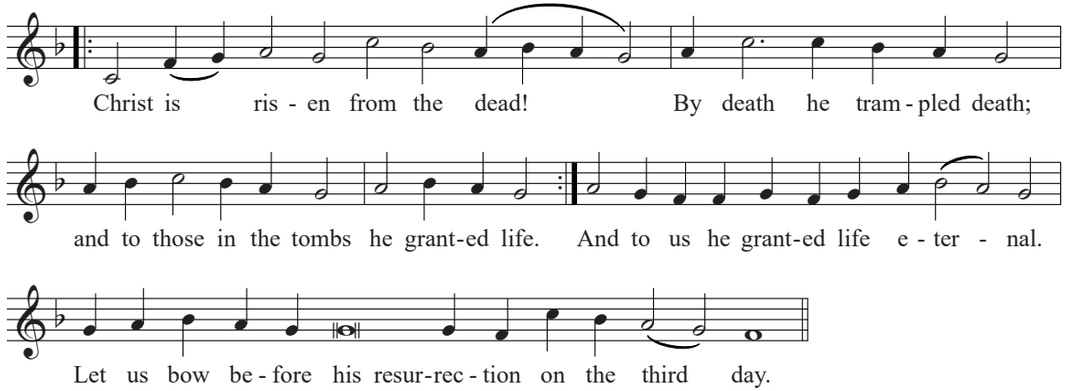


Celebrant: May Christ our true God, risen from the dead, have mercy on us and save us through the prayers of his most pure Mother, through the might of the precious and life-creating Cross, through the prayers of the holy, glorious and praiseworthy apostles, of the holy _____ (patron of this Church), and of the holy _____ (commemorated this day), and through the prayers of all the saints; for he is gracious and loves us all.

Response:



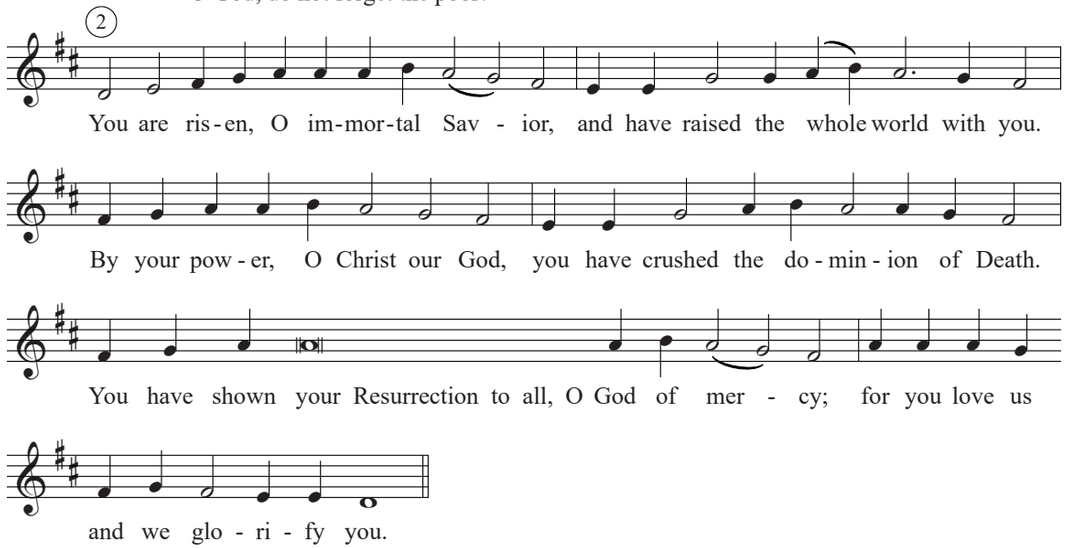
After the Dismissal, the celebrant says three times: "Christ is risen!" *and the faithful respond each time:* "Indeed he is risen!" *The celebrant then sings once:* "Christ is risen from the dead! By death . . .," *and the faithful sing:*



After the Dismissal, the seventh Gospel Stanza is sung, p. 62.

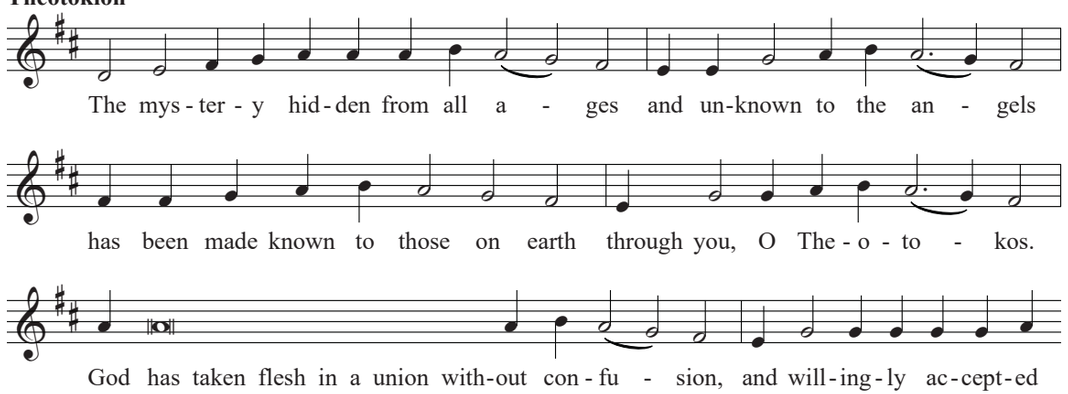


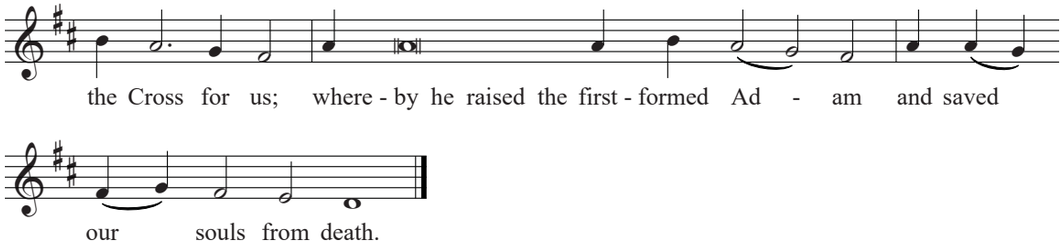
Cantor: Arise then, Lord. lift up your hand.
O God, do not forget the poor!
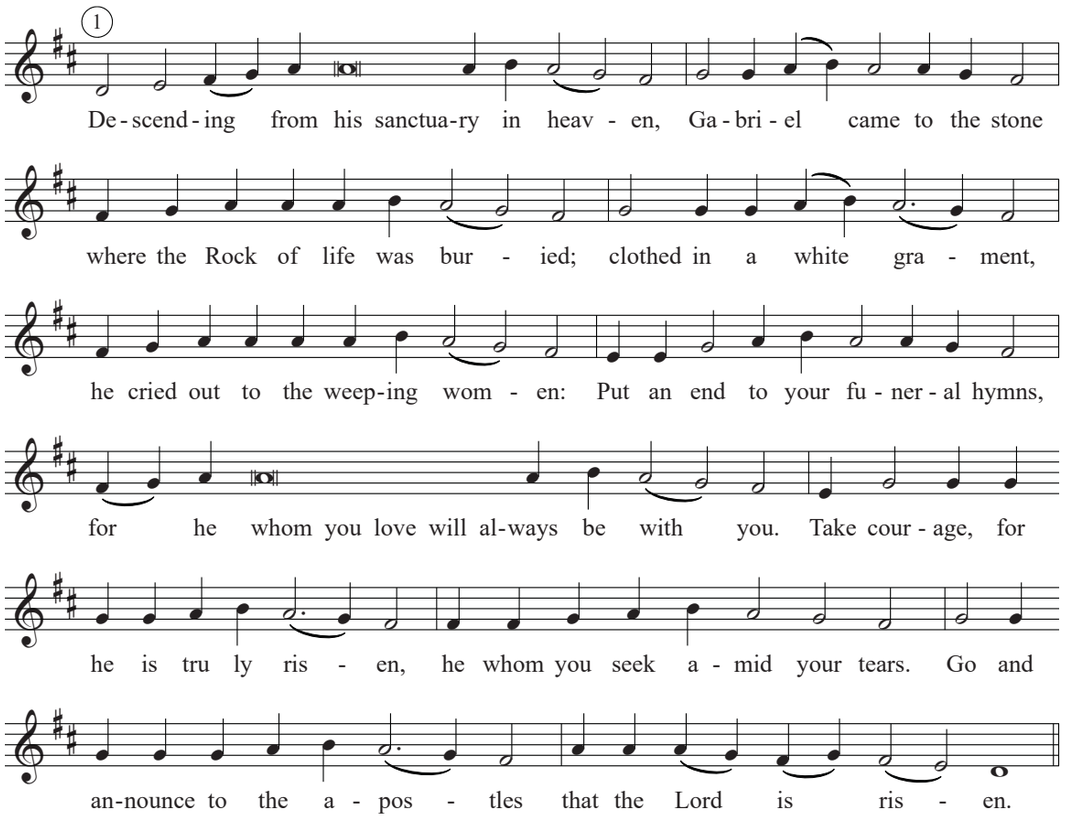


Cantor: Glory…now and ever…

Theotokion



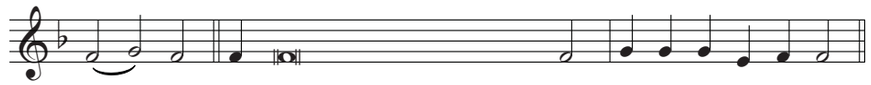


Sessional Hymn 2 - *Tone 4*



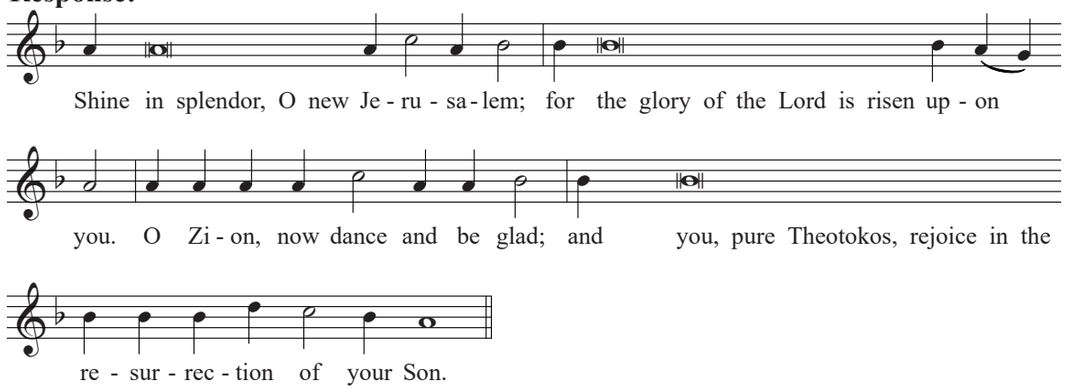
Cantor: I will praise you, Lord, with all my heart;
I will recount your mighty deeds.

Response:



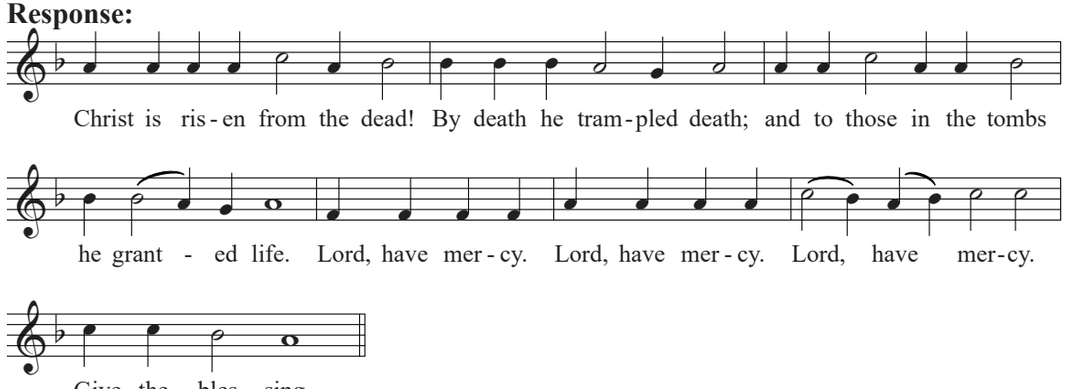
Celebrant: O most holy Theotokos, save us!

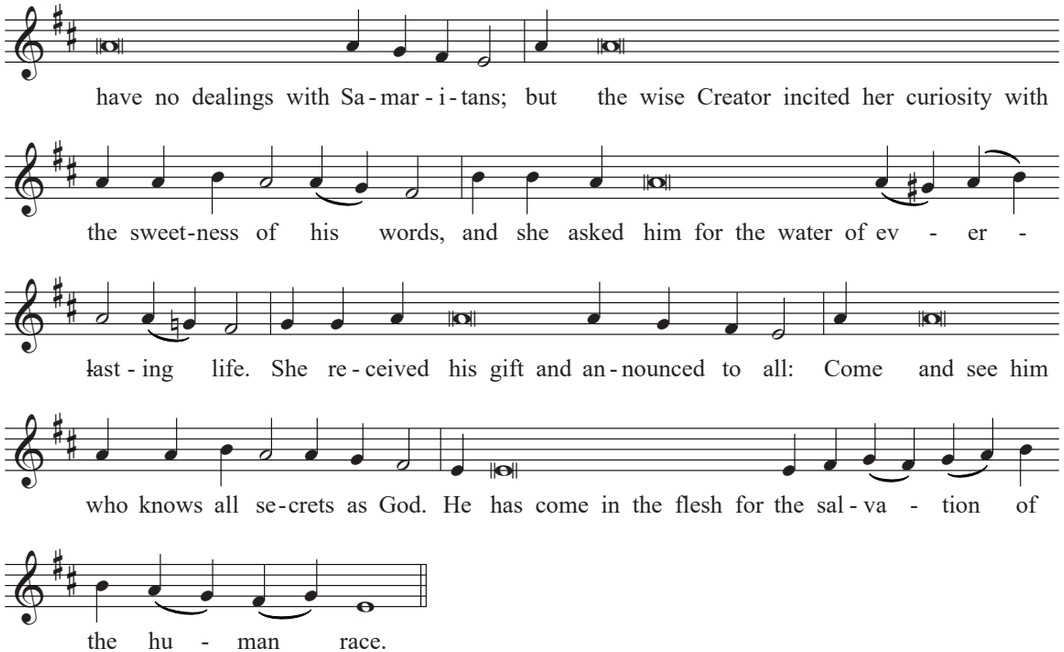
Response:



Celebrant: Glory to you, O Christ our God, our hope; glory to you!

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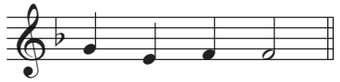




Theotokion for normal Sundays, p. 40.
Great Doxology, p. 41.
Troparion "You came forth from death…", p. 45.
Litany of Supplication, p. 45.
Prayer over Bowed Heads, p. 47.

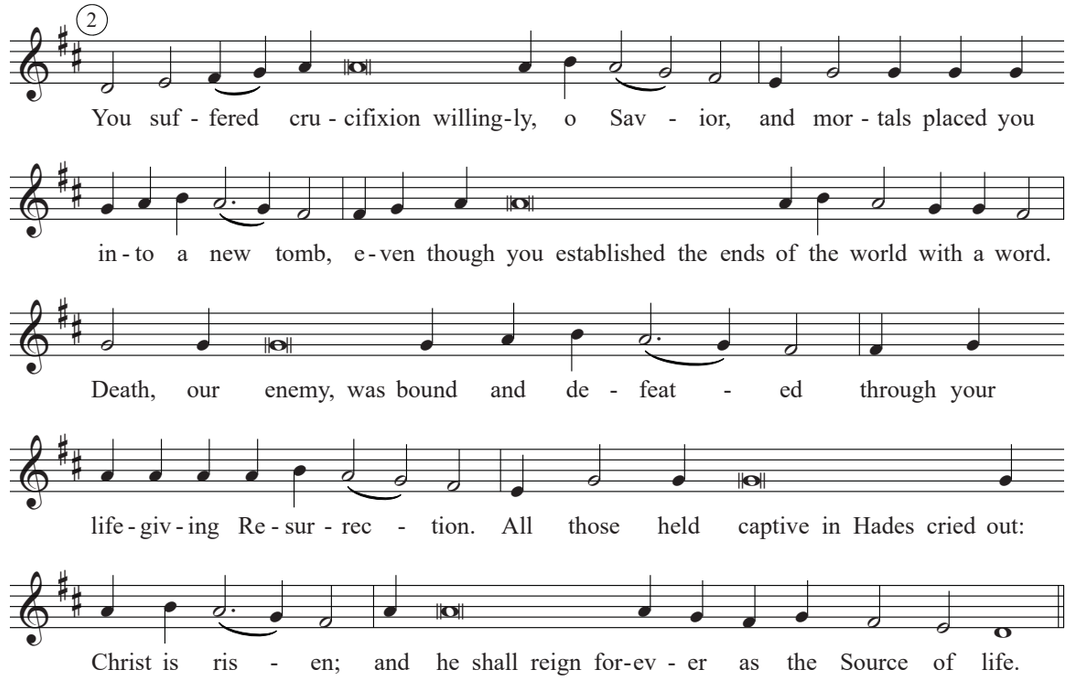
Paschal Dismissal

Deacon: Wisdom!

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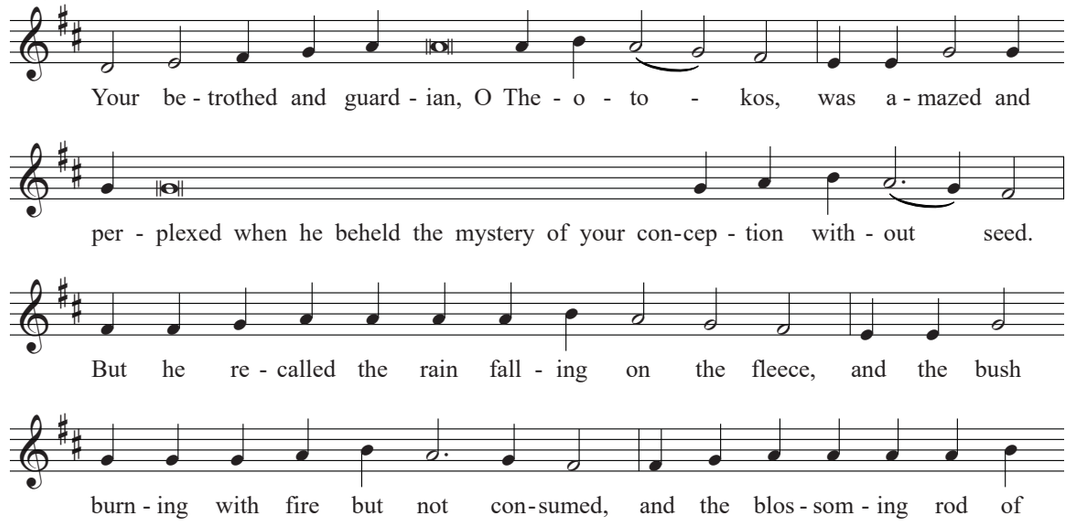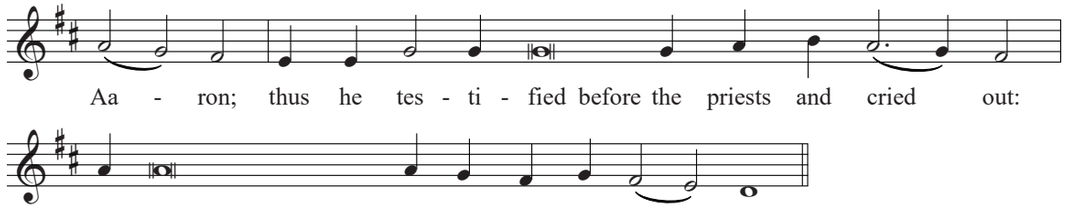


Celebrant: Blessed is Christ our God, the One-Who-Is, always, now and ever and forever.



Cantor: Glory…now and ever…

Theotokion



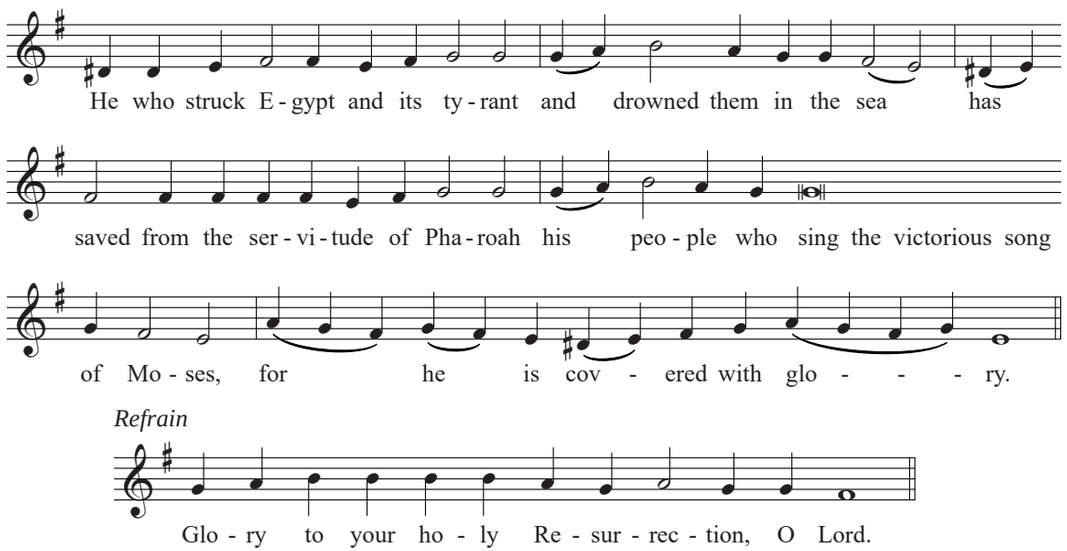


The service continues with Psalm 118 and "Hosts of Angels" , p. 18.
Hypakoe and Gradual Hymns, Tone 4, p. 167.
Prokeimenon, Tone 4, p. 170.
Preparation for the Gospel, p. 24.
"Let everything that lives", Tone 4, p. 171.
The seventh Resurrection Gospel: John 20: 1-10.
Hymn of the Resurrection, p. 26, sung once by the deacon and twice by the faithful
Psalm 50 and stichera, p.28.

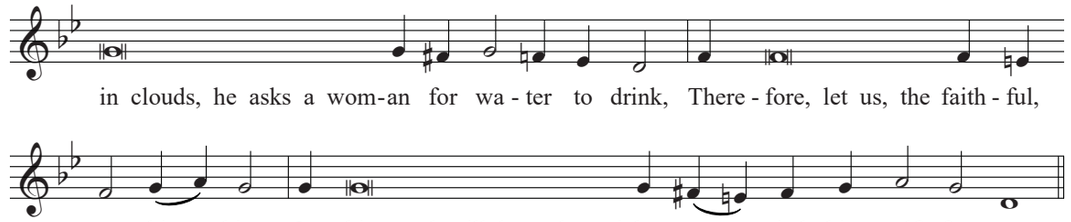
Canon

Ode 1

Irmos *Tone 6*

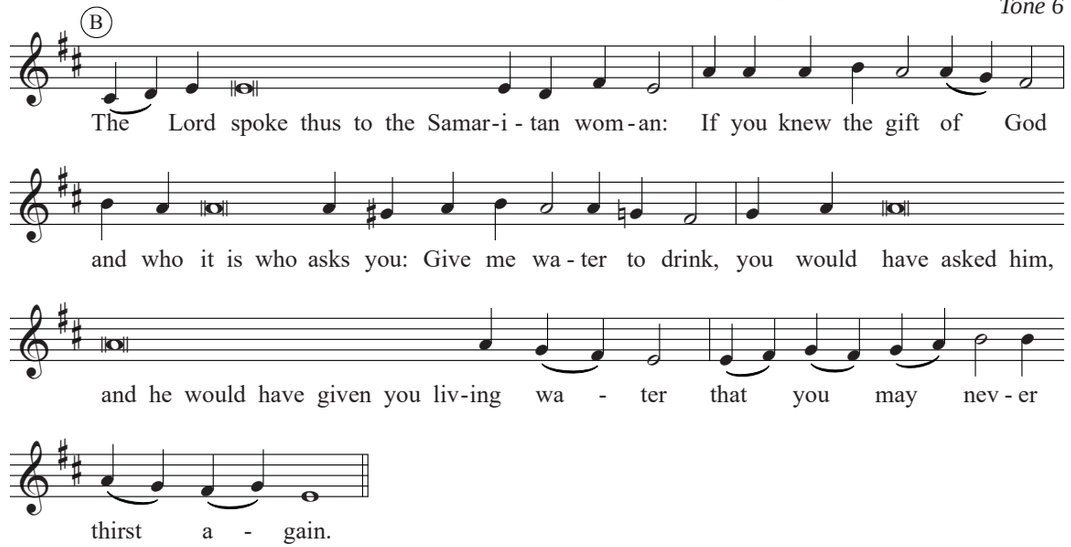


The buried One is awakened, and he awakens the human race with him; all creation rejoices, and may the spiritual clouds rain down justice on this day. *Refrain*



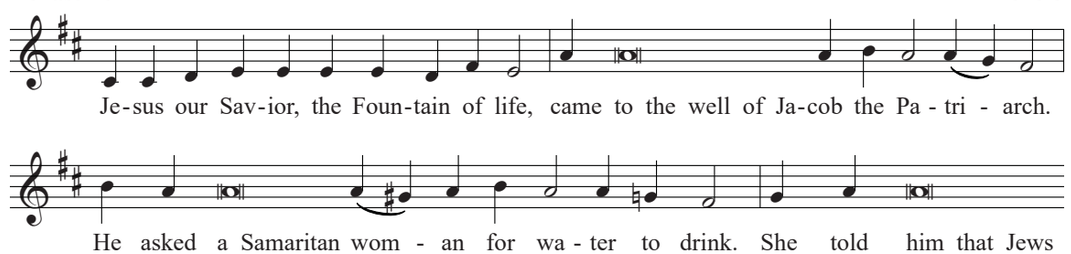
Cantor: *(Tone 6)* Your love is for justice; your hatred for evil.
(on B) Therefore, God, your God, has anointed you with the oil of gladness.
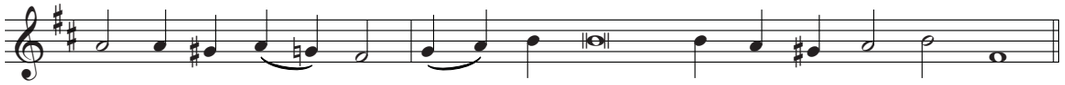
Tone 6



Cantor: Glory…

Doxastikon *Tone 6*





"Holy is the Lord", Tone 4, p. 183.

Hymns of Light

You, O King and Lord, have fallen asleep in the flesh as a mortal man,but on the third day you arose. You have raised Adam from his corruption and made Death powerless. You are the Pasch of incorruption. You are the salvation of the world.

Glory…

Meeting a woman in a village of Samaria, O almighty Savior, you asked her for water to drink, even though in ancient times in the desert you brought forth from the most hard rock the stream from which Israel drank in abundance. O Giver of life, you awakened faith in the heart of the Samaritan woman, and she now tastes both joy and living water in heaven forever.

Now and ever…

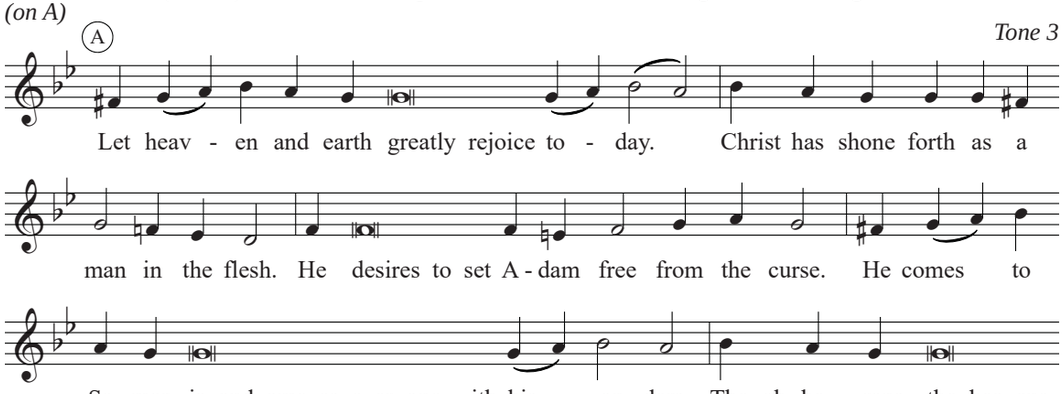
O Lord and Lover of us all, you appeared in the Temple in the middle of the Feast and said: All who thirst, come to me and draw the living water; in it you will find joy and you shall enjoy both grace and eternal life.

The Psalms of Praise are sung in Tone 4 through stich 1 (pp. 184-188).

Cantor: *(Tone 3)* Ride on in triumph for the cause of truth and goodness and right

(on A)

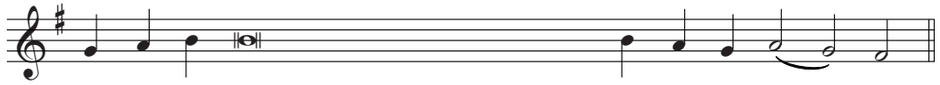
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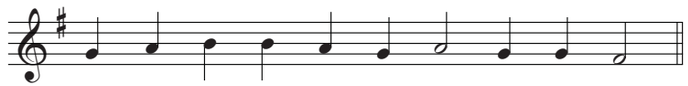


O Lord, you willingly suffered crucifixion in the flesh, and on the third day you arose from the dead, emptying the prisons of Hades and delivering those held captive, for you are the Prince of life. *Refrain*

Having seen the resplendent angel, the myrrh-bearing women fearfully fled from the tomb; they hastened to the disciples to tell them of the resurrection of Christ. *Refrain*

O Lord, you are the living water who built your dwelling place above the waters; you gave the Samaritan woman the waters she asked for, as she acknowledged your infinite mercy.

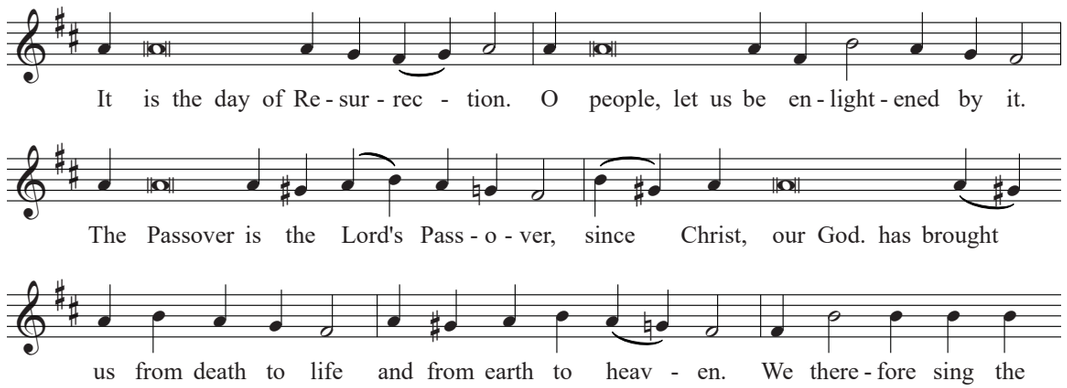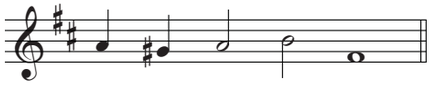


Grant salvation to the faithful who sincerely glorify you, O Holy Trinity, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; O Creator of the world, in your goodness grant us the forgiveness of our sins.
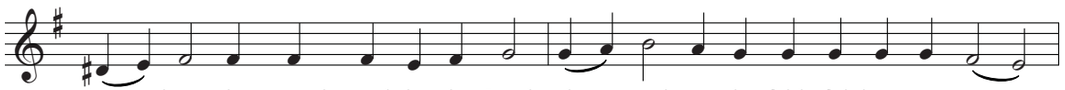


Rejoice, O throne of fire and golden candelabrum, shining cloud and palace of the Word. Rejoice, O mystical table who was worthy to bear Christ, our bread of life.
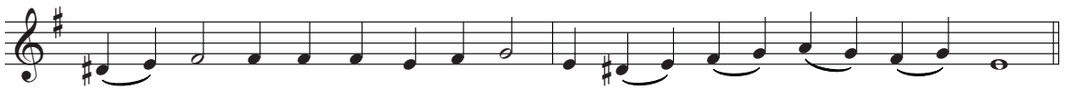
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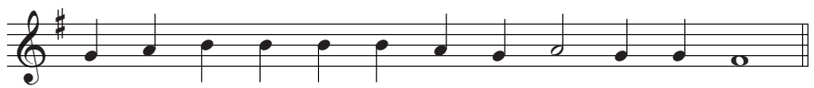




Ode 3
Irmos *Tone 6*





Refrain

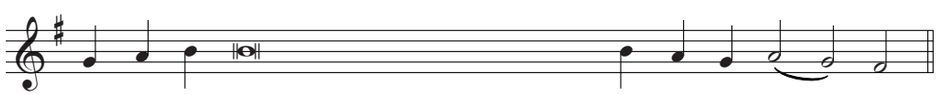


You were raised on the Cross of your own will, O Word, and the rocks were rent asunder when they saw you. All creation trembled with fear, and the dead came forth from the tombs as from a dream. *Refrain*

Seeing your soul descend into Hades, O Word, the souls of the just escaped from the bonds which held them through the ages; and they praised your power which surpasses every spirit. *Refrain*

Why all this bother? Why do you come with myrrh, O women, seeking the Lord in the tomb? He is risen and the world is raised with him, said the resplendent angel to the myrrh-bearing women. *Refrain*

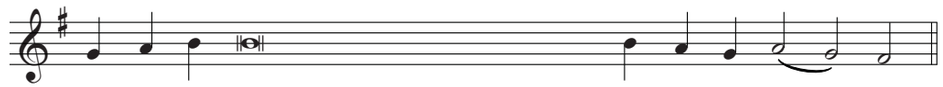
O Prince of Life and Fountain of immortality, you sat down at the well, and in your goodness filled the Samaritan woman with the waters of wisdom which she asked of you.
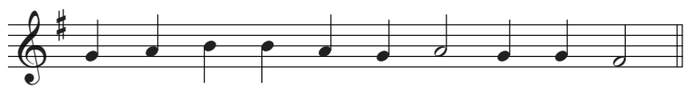


You came forth from the tomb, resplendent in beauty, as a bridegroom coming forth from his bridal chamber. O Christ, you have conquered Death; and by your divine power you broke the tyranny and the bolts of Hades, illuminating the world by your holy Resurrection. *Refrain*

Let us all together form a spiritual choir to sing praises to the risen Lord. Let the earth exalt and let heaven rejoice; let the clouds rain down justice like the dew upon those who keep this feast of Christ; and let us celebrate in joy! *Refrain*

The Source of every good thing, who give life to all the living, and who pours out his teachings in abundance, says to the woman of Samaria: Give me water to drink, that I may in turn give you the water which will dry up the stream of your sins.
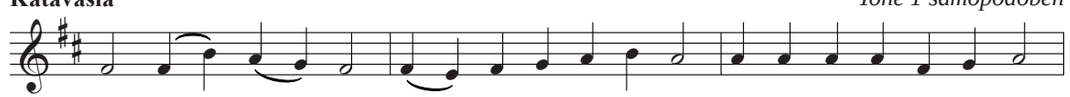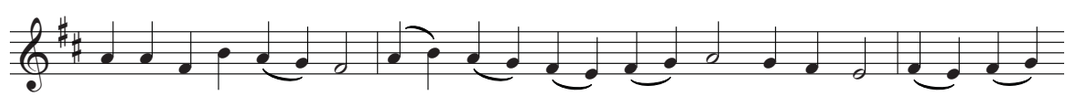


O unique Light having no division, such is the triple Sun of the one Divinity: the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, unique Life and Creator of the universe. Together with the angels let us, the faithful, sing to him with a thrice-holy and sacred song.



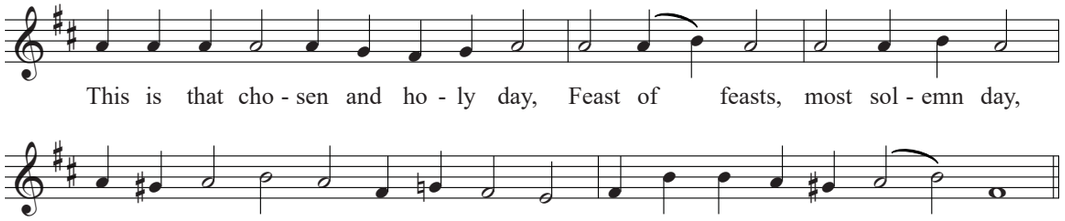
O pure Virgin and tabernacle of the Light, enlighten the eyes of my heart which have been blinded by the deceits of the Enemy; and make me worthy to contemplate with a pure heart the marvelous brightness of the brilliant Sun who is born of your womb.

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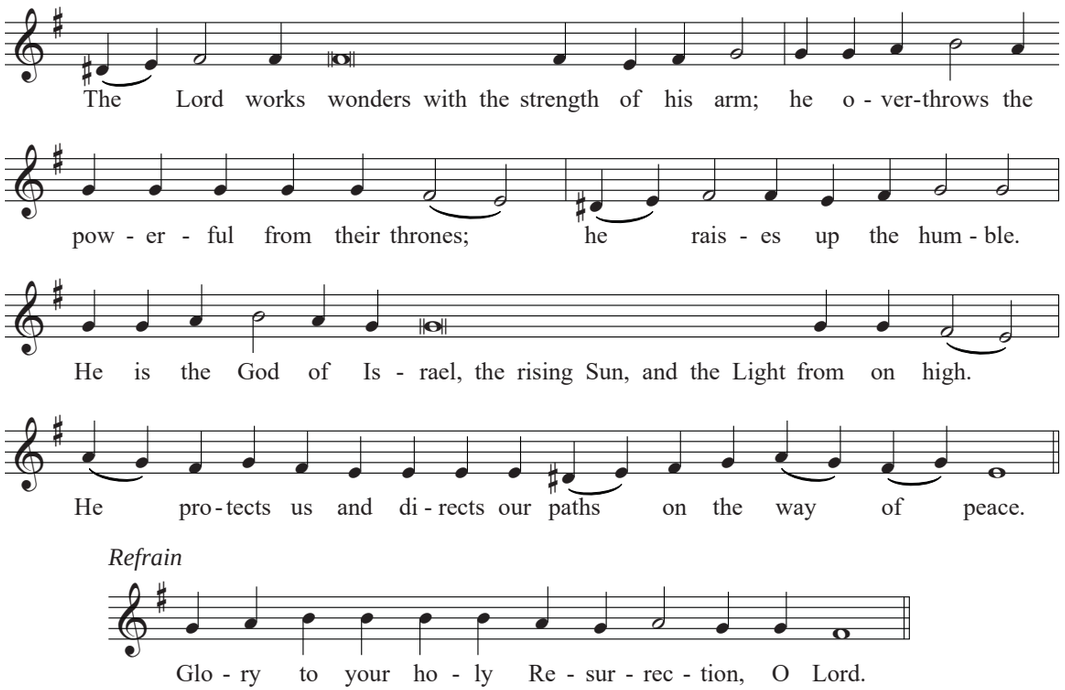
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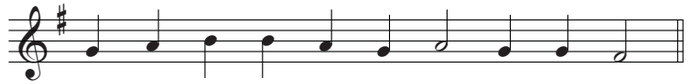
Ode 9

Irmos *Tone 6*



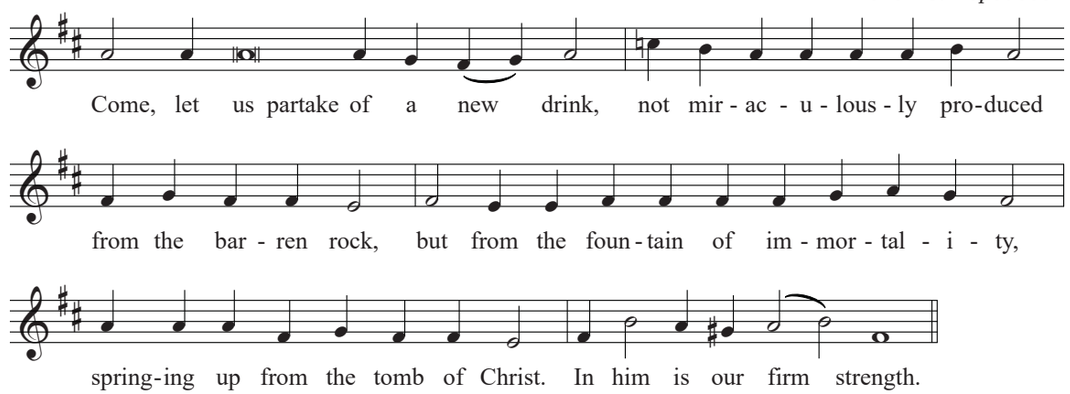
Behold Christ, the Life of all, who of his own will is seen hanging on the Cross. Seeing this, both the earth and the prisons of Hades trembled, and many of the just were raised up in their bodies. *Refrain*

Unique and supreme is the God whom we praise, the Father, Son, and divine Spirit, the Trinity whom the heavenly powers glorify: Holy, holy, holy are you forever.

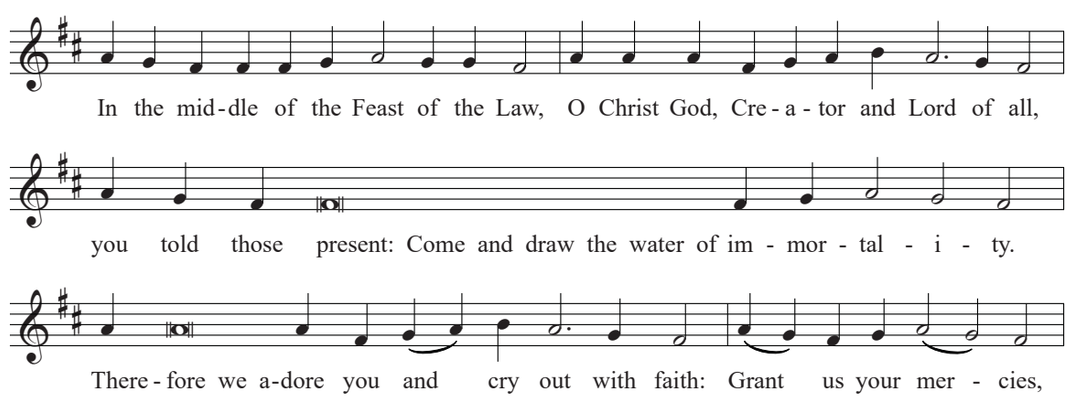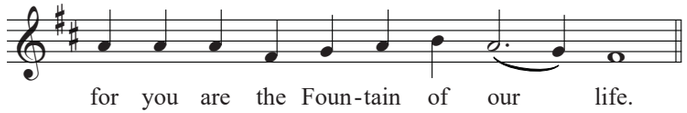


Having wondrously conceived the God of the universe in your womb, O Virgin Mother, you gave birth in a manner that surpasses understanding, and remained a virgin as before you gave birth.

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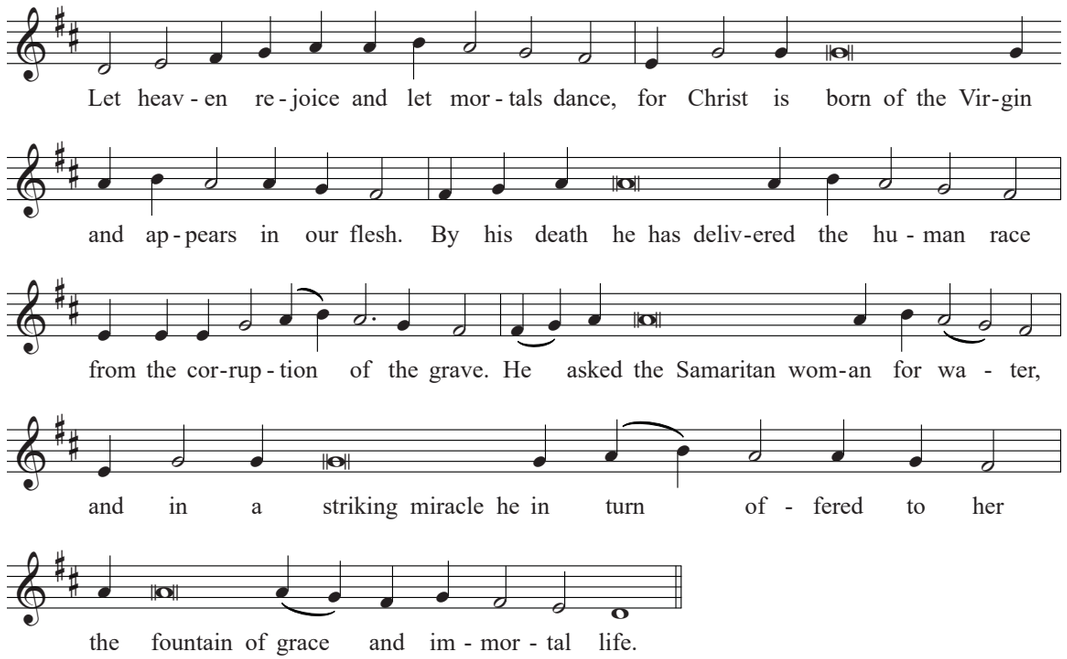


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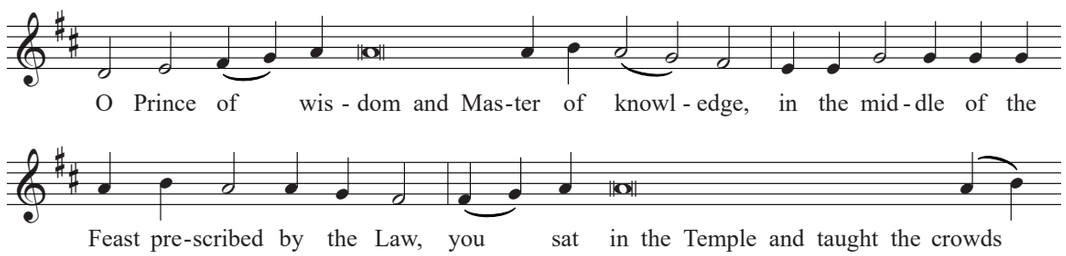




Sessional Hymn - *Tone 4*



Cantor: Glory… now and ever…
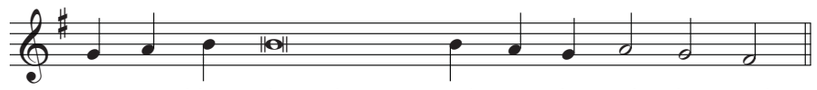


You willingly suffered death, O immortal One; and you crushed the bronze gates; you took Hades captive, O heavenly King, and freed those who had been held there through the ages so that they may unceasingly praise the power of your goodness. *Refrain*
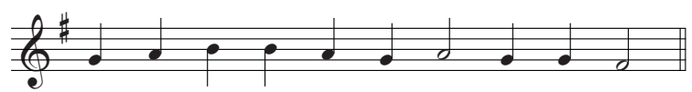
O long-suffering One, you were raised on the Cross; the rocks were split open and the sun hid itself; the curtain of the Temple was torn in two; the earth shook and Hades was humiliated, trembling because it had to give up its prisoners. *Refrain*

You appeared to those lying in darkness, O unsetting Light and Life of the world; when the just people saw you, they were jubilant and cried out: You have come to deliver the captives by your power which we now praise. *Refrain*

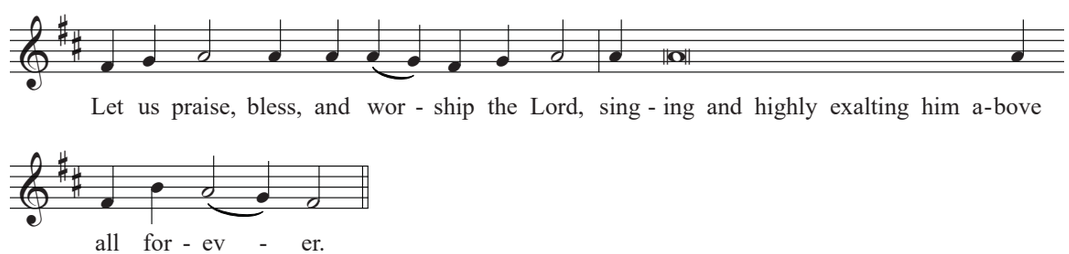
Seated at the well at the sixth hour of the day, you gave living water to the Samaritan woman, O Savior God, and in your goodness, you granted her streams of knowledge. For this reason, we also sing to you: Bless the Lord, all you works of the Lord.

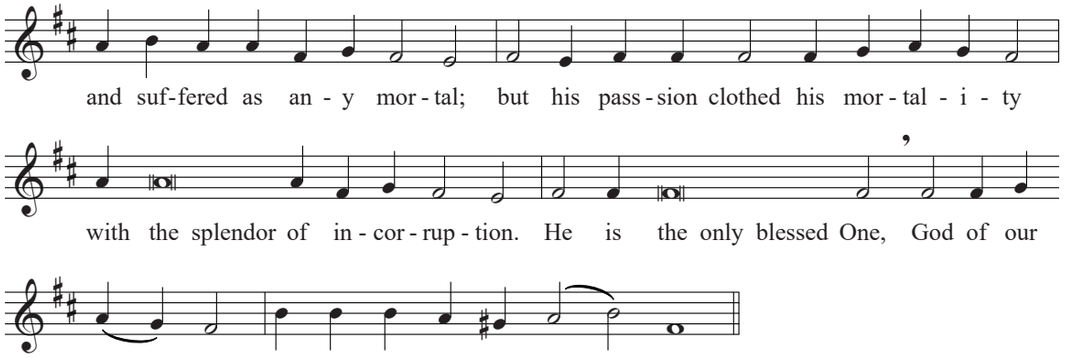


We praise the Father who is from all eternity, the co-eternal Son, and the Spirit of holiness, tri-personal and unique Divinity, having neither confusion nor division, the Creator of the world and sovereign majesty for whom we now sing: Bless the Lord, all you works of the Lord.



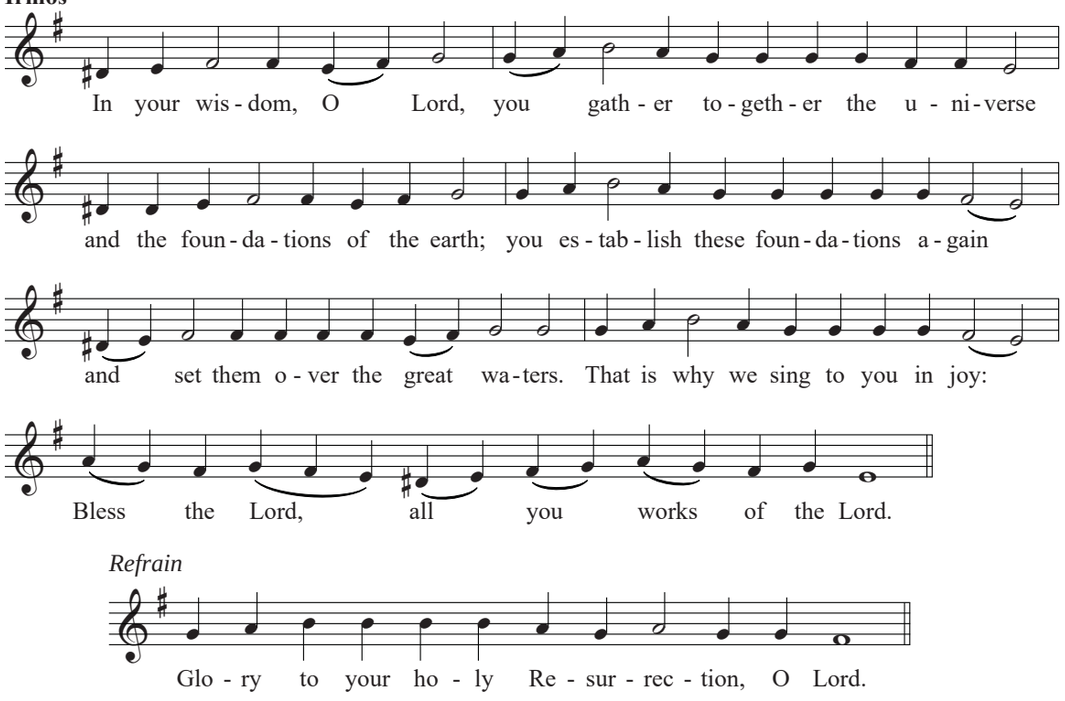
With lips purified by a burning coal, Isaiah foretold the Fire of the Divinity who was incarnate of you, O Virgin, in a wondrous fashion. He burned away the sins of mortals to divinize our nature in his love, O all-pure Virgin.

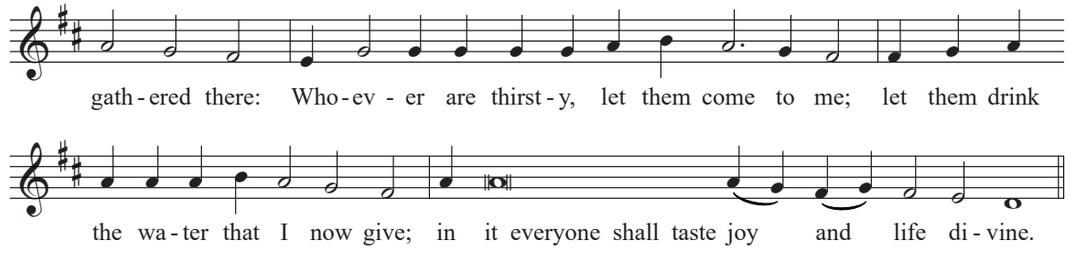




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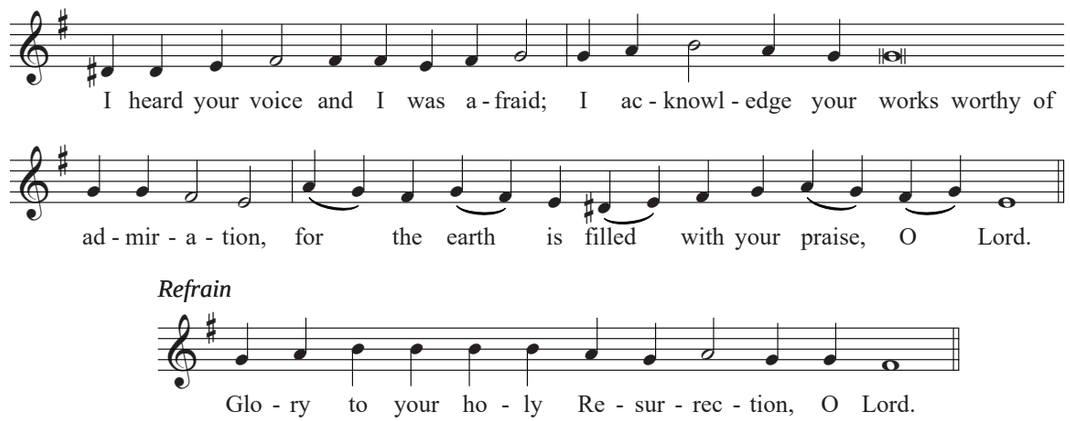
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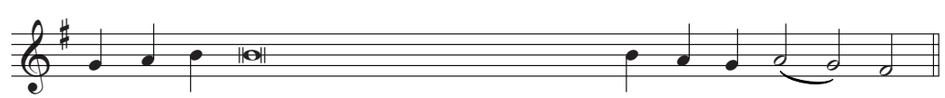


Let the heavens rejoice and let the earth exalt! The Lord is risen and has appeared to all his apostles. *Refrain*
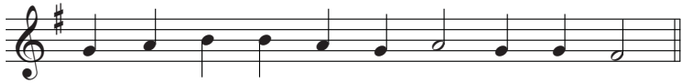
Your power, O Death, has been abolished by the death of Christ our God; and as the spouses come forth from the bridal chamber, the dead arise from the tomb, following the risen Lord. *Refrain*

Why are you crying, O women? Why do you come with myrrh looking for the immortal One? He is risen as he promised, said the angel to the myrrh-bearing women. *Refrain*

O Lord, to the woman of Samaria who asked you for water, you gave the water of divine knowledge; she no longer thirsts, but she praises you always.
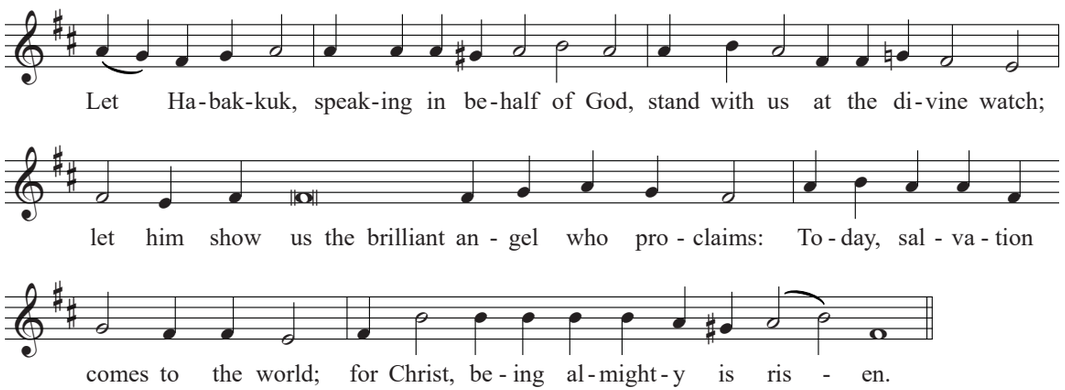


O Trinity and supreme God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, sharing the same power and the same eternity, save all who praise your name.



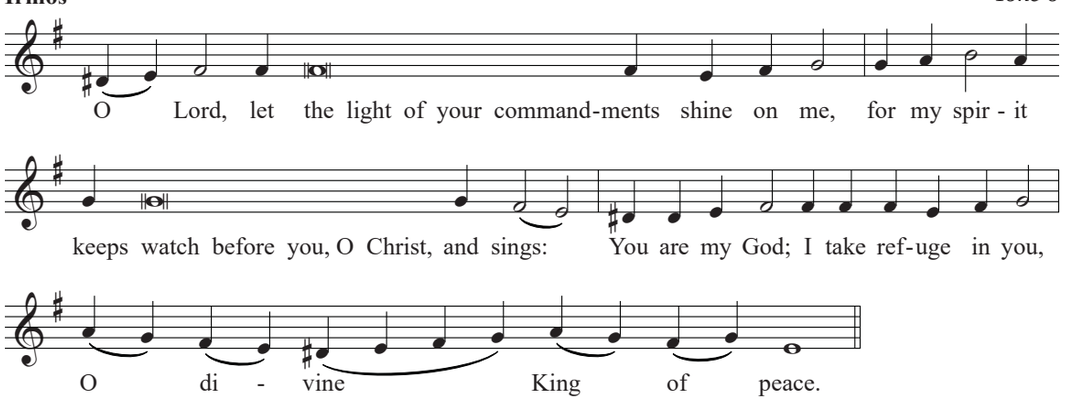
Moses, the giver of the Law, formerly saw you in the burning bush, and Daniel recognized you in the holy mountain, O only Virgin who gave birth to God.
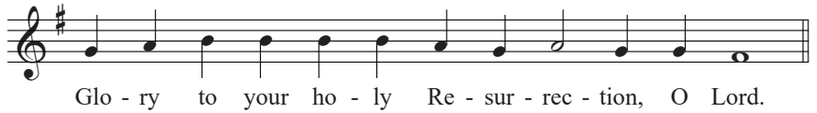
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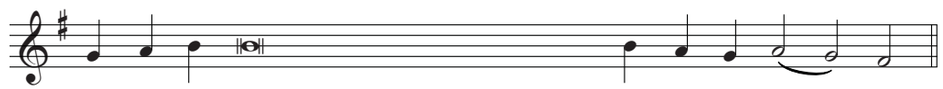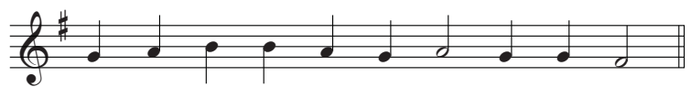




At the moment of your divine Passion, O God of mercy, according to your will you were placed among the ranks of criminals; and when you bowed your head, O Creator, the rocks were split in two and the earth trembled, and the dead, who were asleep through the ages, woke up. *Refrain*

Why do you seek among the dead the One who lives in eternity? He is risen as he said; see the empty tomb, the clothes and the shroud. Hasten and tell this to the apostles, said the one who appeared as a young man to the holy women. *Refrain*

You are the Fountain of life, said the woman of Samaria to Christ. My soul is always thirsty, O Word; quench me with the grace of God that the dryness of ignorance does not hold me in its power, but that I may proclaim your wonders, O Lord.
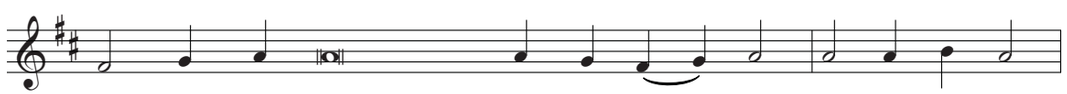


We sing to the indivisible Trinity, consubstantial in the unity of three Persons that we perceive: The Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, the eternal Creator of the universe, God who is praised by the powers of heaven.

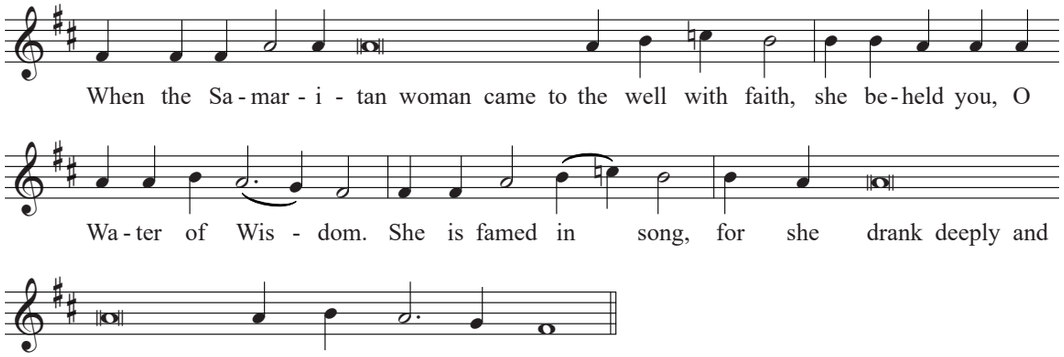


After your wondrous birth-giving, O holy Theotokos, you preserved your virginity without blemish. Thus angels and people everywhere sing to you with an incessant voice, O tabernacle most pure in which the infinite God dwelt.

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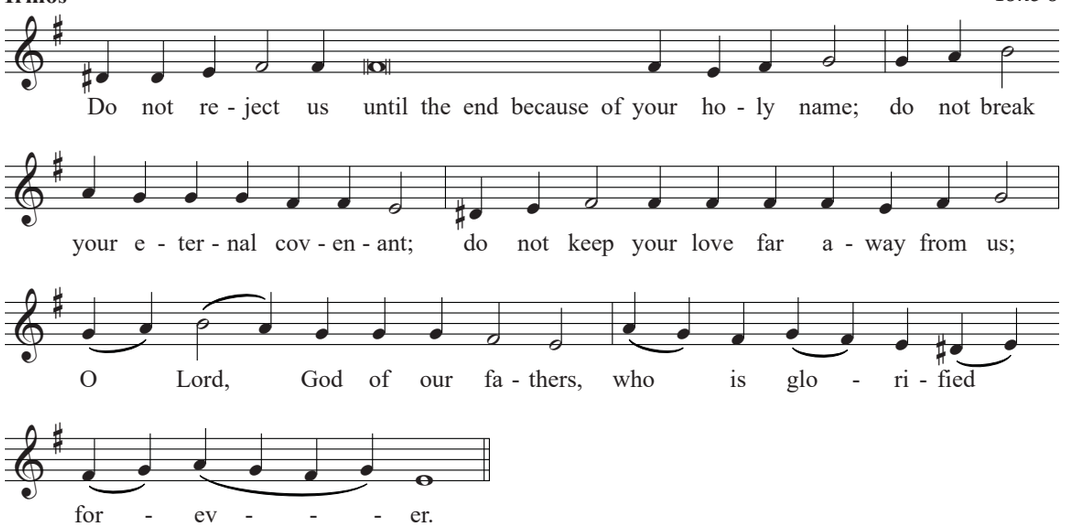
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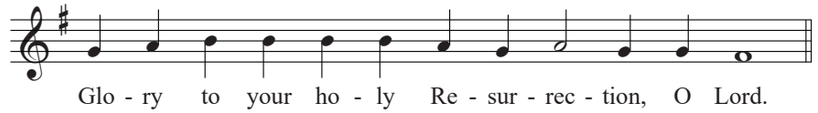


Ikos Let us worthily listen to the Gospel in which St. John clearly teaches us about the sacred mysteries which took place one time in Samaria. Speaking to a woman, the Lord asked her for water, he who formerly gathered the waters in one place, the Word of God who shares the same throne with the Father and the Spirit. For he has come to seek his fallen image, and his memory is glorified forever.

Ode 7

Irmos *Tone 6*



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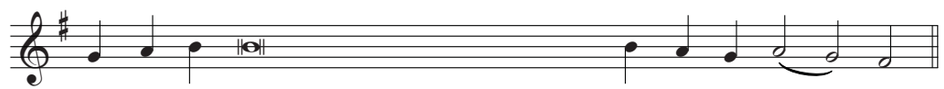


Arriving at your holy grave early in the morning, the myrrh-bearing women saw a resplendent angel; they were seized with fear, O Christ, as they learned of your holy Resurrection. *Refrain*
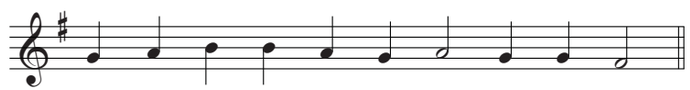
Death is trampled down, Hades is imprisoned, and the captives are delivered by the Resurrection of Christ. Let us exalt with joy and clap our hands; let us celebrate with gladness. *Refrain*

O Apostles, be jubilant together with the angels in heaven; dance for joy, all you mortals. Death has vanished before the risen Christ, and Adam exalts, banishing all sadness. *Refrain*

O Lord and Giver of life, you gave the Samaritan woman streams of knowledge and forgiveness; we also praise your infinite mercy.
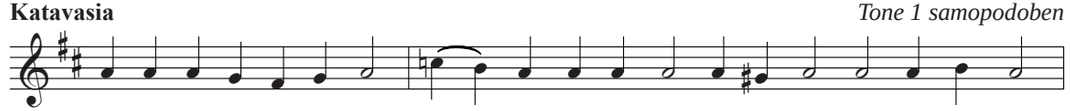


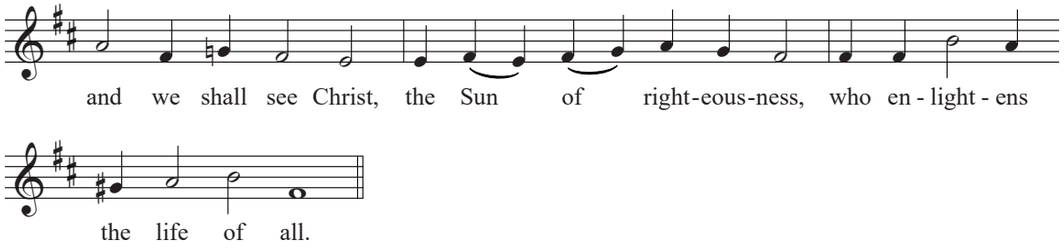
Tri-personal unity and consubstantial Trinity, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, indivisible by nature, we praise you as the one and only God, the Master, Creator, and Lord of the universe.



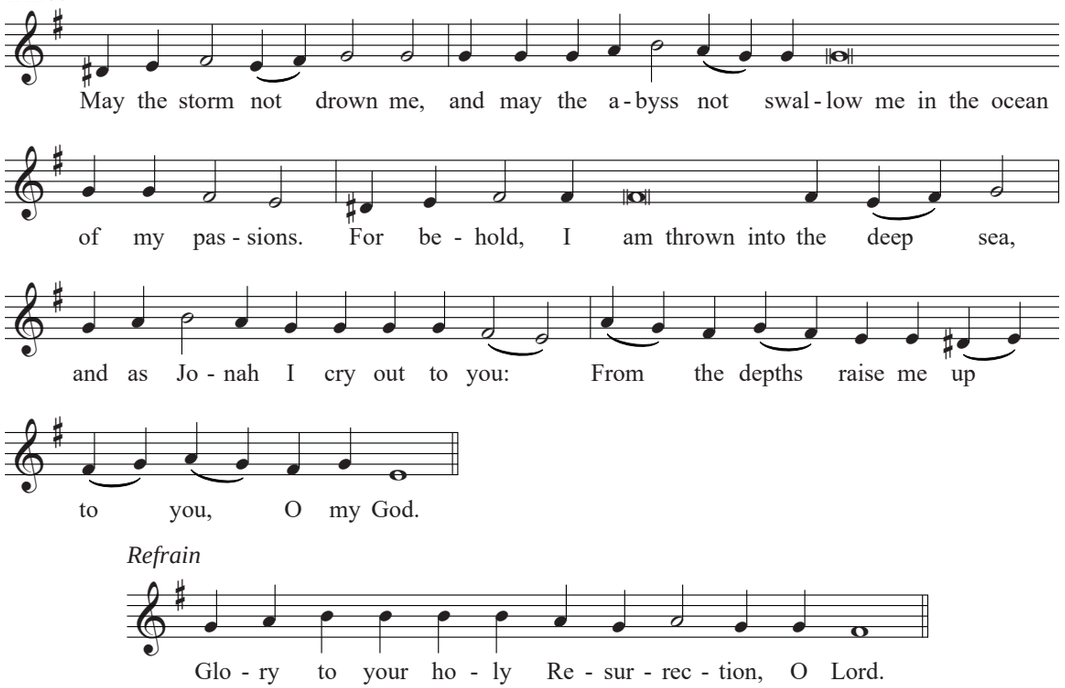
O impassable door and untilled earth, O ark of the covenant in which the Manna was kept, O chalice and candelabrum, O censer of the Divinity; such are the names by which we know you, O Virgin.

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Ode 6
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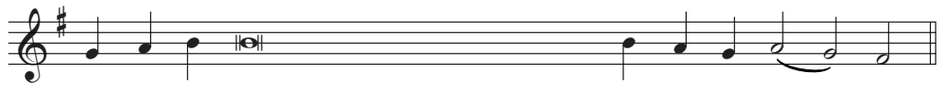
Refrain

The impious ones nailed you to the Cross, and a sword pierced your side; the noble Joseph buried you in a new tomb, O Jesus Christ. You resurrected in glory and raised with you all creation, who now praises your power, O Savior. *Refrain*
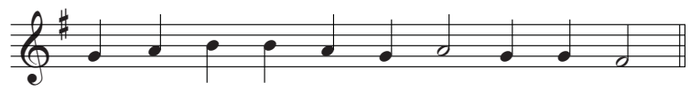
O Lord, in your power you crushed the gates and bolts of Hades; you resurrected as God and told the myrrh-bearing women to rejoice. They in turn announced to the disciples: The living God is risen and has appeared to enlighten the world. *Refrain*

O women, why do you weep for the dead? And why do you bring this myrrh? Christ is risen, said the resplendent angel; he has left the linen shroud and the cloth. Go quickly to his friends and announce the Resurrection! *Refrain*

O inexhaustible Source of life, O Ocean of mercy and lord of goodness, you stopped on the way and were seated at Jacob's well; to the Samaritan woman you said: Give me water to drink, and you shall receive streams of forgiveness.



With the bodiless angels I praise in faith the eternal Father, the Son who shares the same throne in heaven, and the consubstantial Spirit, the unique and royal majesty, the divine Creator and the providence of the world.



O only Virgin who gave birth, we praise you as the throne of the Lord, the impassable door and unhewn mountain, the spiritual candlestick and the room filled with light, the tabernacle that manifests glory, the ark of the covenant, the chalice, and the holy table.

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