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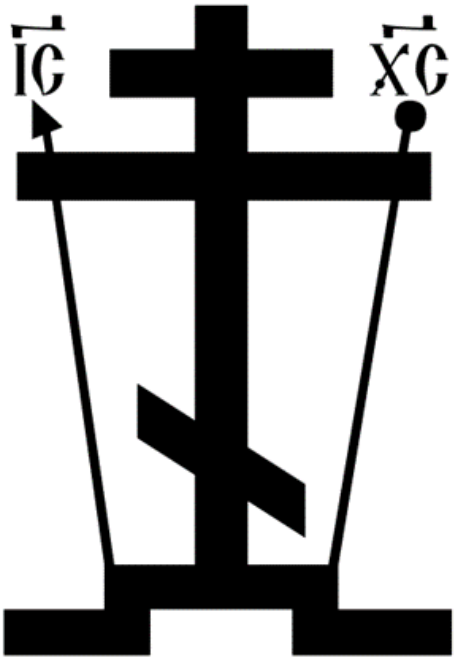

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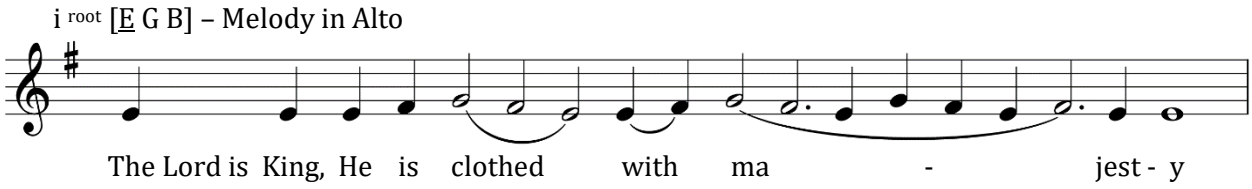
Great Vespers

Prokeimenon for the Day of the Week

Saturday Evening

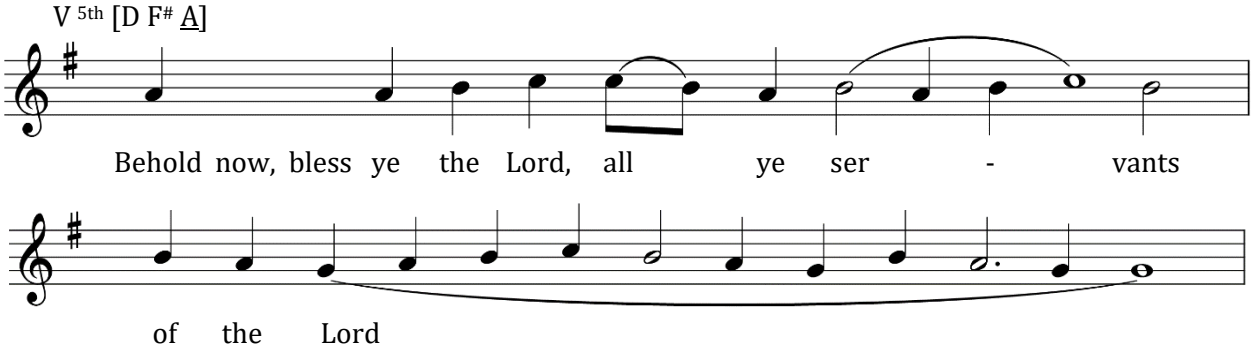
Tone VI



The Lord is King,/ He is clothed with majesty.

Sunday Evening

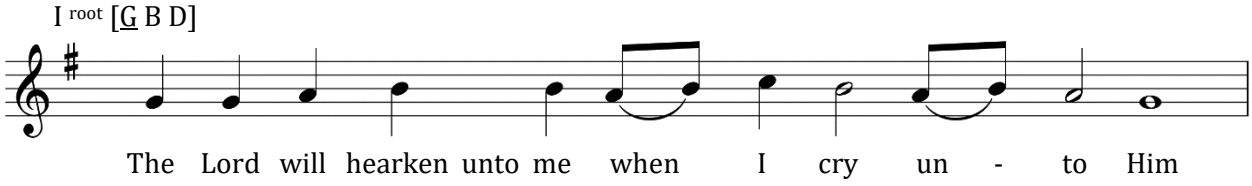
Tone VIII



Behold now, bless ye the Lord,/ all ye servants of the Lord.

Monday Evening

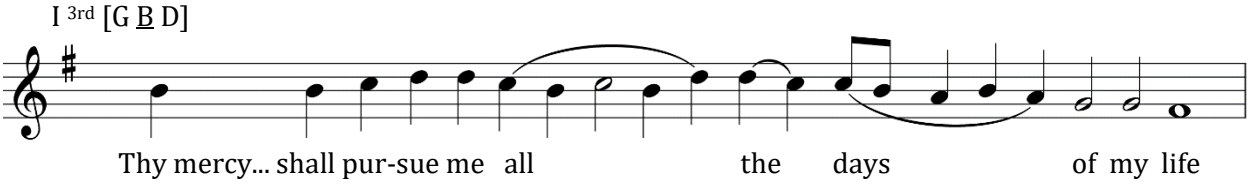
Tone IV



The Lord will hearken unto me/ when I cry unto Him.

Tuesday Evening

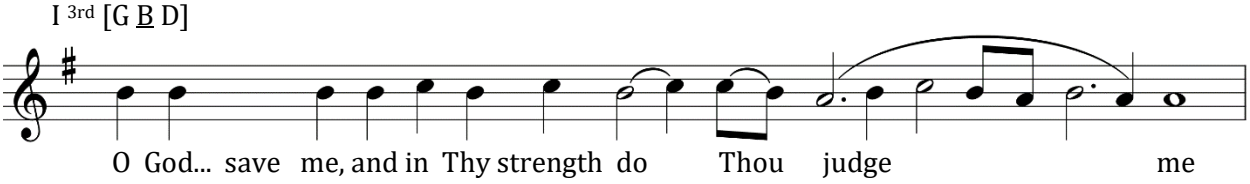
Tone I



Thy mercy, O Lord, shall pursue me/ all the days of my life.

Wednesday Evening

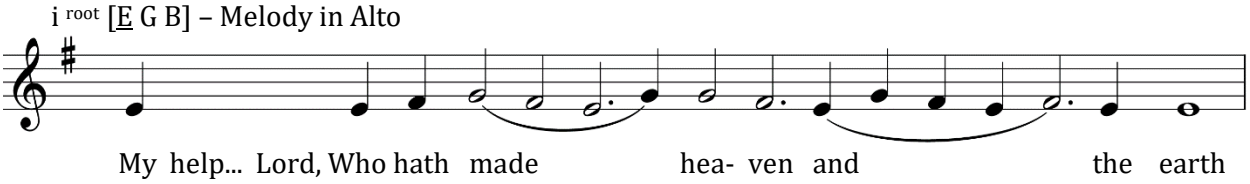
Tone V



O God, in Thy name save me,/ and in Thy strength do Thou judge me.

Thursday Evening

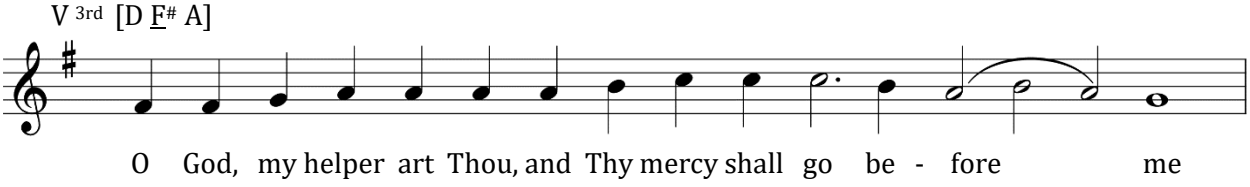
Tone VI



My help cometh from the Lord,/ Who hath made heaven and the earth.

Friday Evening

Tone VII



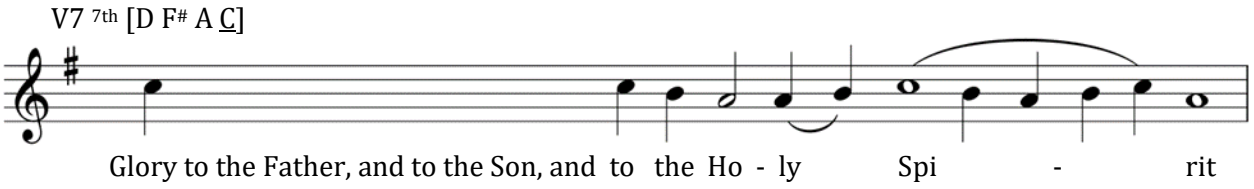
O God, my helper art Thou,/ and Thy mercy shall go before me.

Great Vespers

At Aposticha

Doxasticon & Resurrectional Theotokion, Tone I

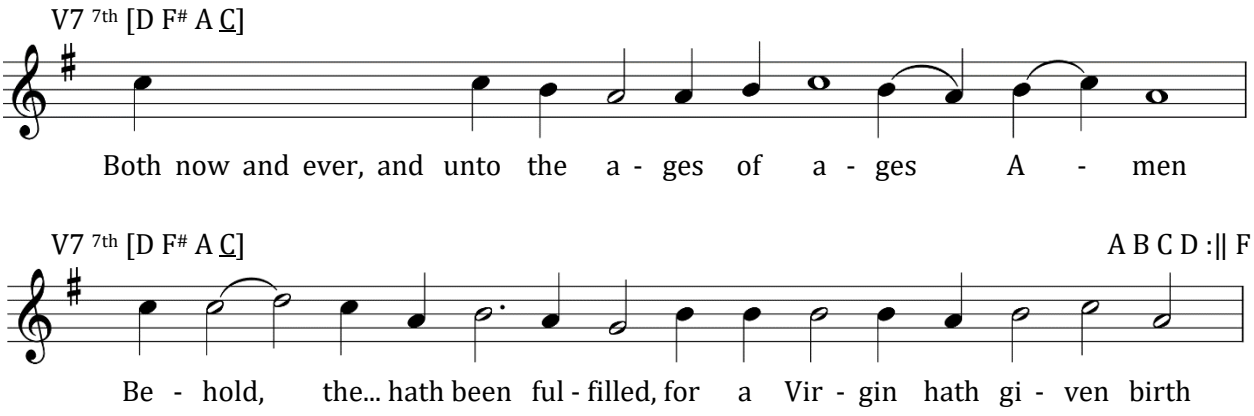
Glory, in the First tone.



V7 7th [D F# A C]

Doxasticon for the saint or commemoration of the day.

Both now, the Theotokion in the same tone.



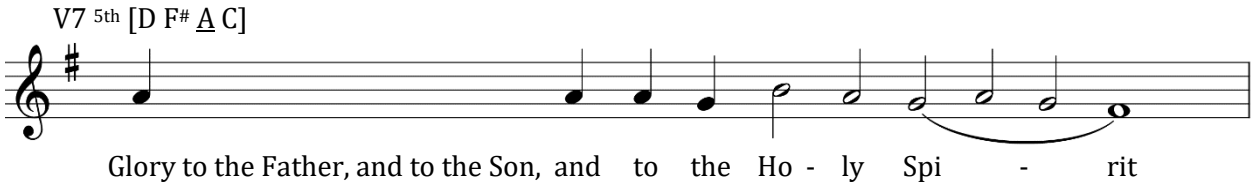
Behold, the prophecy of Isaiah hath been fulfilled,/ for a Virgin hath given birth,/ and after giving birth hath remained a Virgin as before./ For God was born;/ therefore He began nature anew./ O Mother of God, disdain not the supplications of thy servants,/ which are offered unto thee in thy temple;/ but as thou bearest the Compassionate One in thine arms,/ have pity on thy servants,// and beseech Him that our souls be saved.

Great Vespers

At Aposticha

Doxasticon & Resurrectional Theotokion, Tone II

Glory, in the Second tone.



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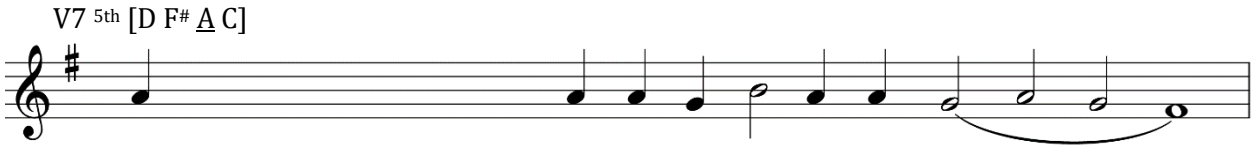
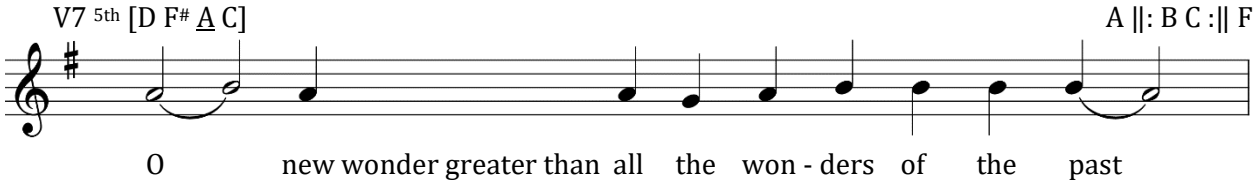
Doxasticon for the saint or commemoration of the day.

Both now, the Theotokion in the same tone.





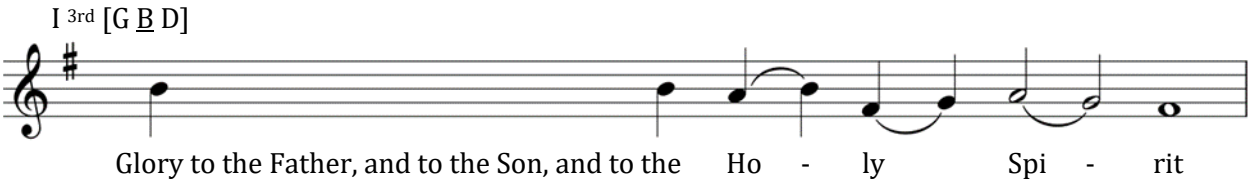
O new wonder greater than all the wonders of the past!/ For who hath ever known a mother to give birth without having known a man,/ and to bear on her arm Him Who sustaineth all creation?/ Yet it was the will of God to be born./ O all-pure one, who bore Him in thine arms as an infant/ and hast maternal boldness before Him:/ Cease not to pray in behalf of those who honor thee,// that He have compassion and save our souls.

Great Vespers

At Aposticha

Doxasticon & Resurrectional Theotokion, Tone III

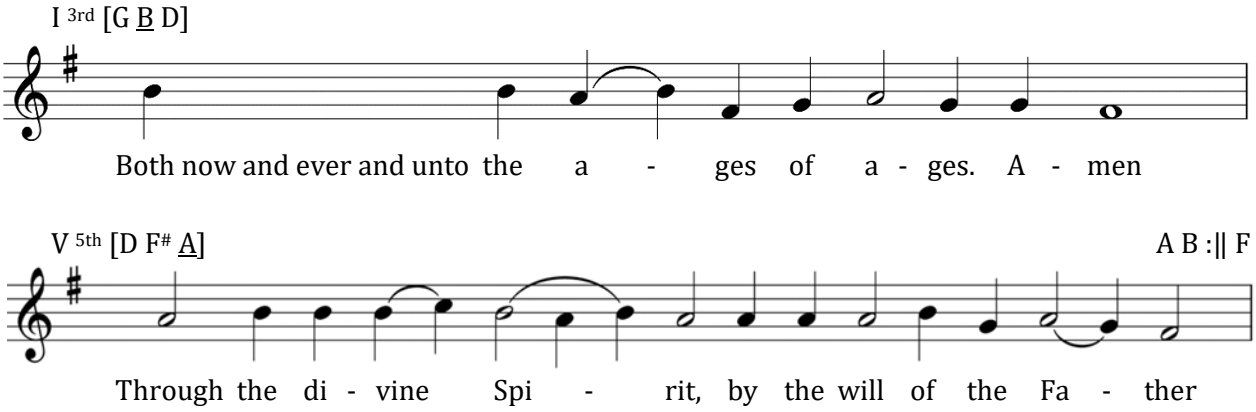
Glory, in the Third tone.



V 5th [D F# A]

Doxasticon for the saint or commemoration of the day.

Both now, the Theotokion in the same tone.



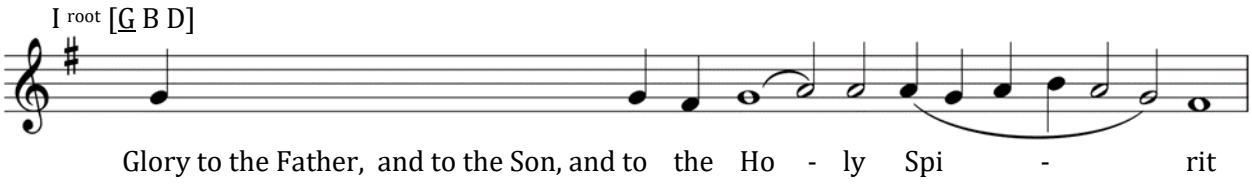
Through the divine Spirit,/ by the will of the Father,/ without seed thou didst conceive the Son of God/ Who hath existed without mother from before the ages,/ and for our sake thou gavest birth in the flesh unto Him/ Who came forth from thee without father;/ and thou didst nurture Him on milk as a babe./ Wherefore, cease not to pray// that our souls be delivered from tribulations.

Great Vespers

At Aposticha

Doxasticon & Resurrectional Theotokion, Tone IV

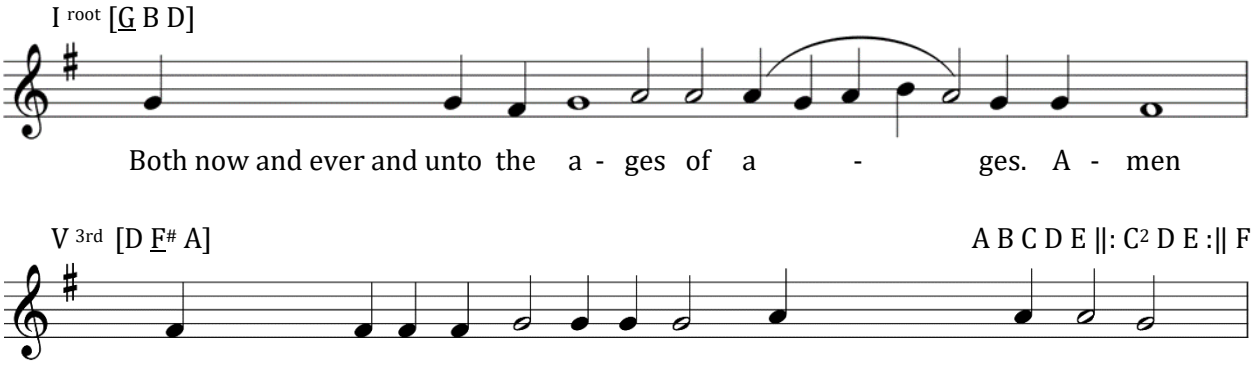
Glory, in the Fourth tone.



V 3rd [D F# A]

Doxasticon for the saint or commemoration of the day.

Both now, the Theotokion in the same tone.



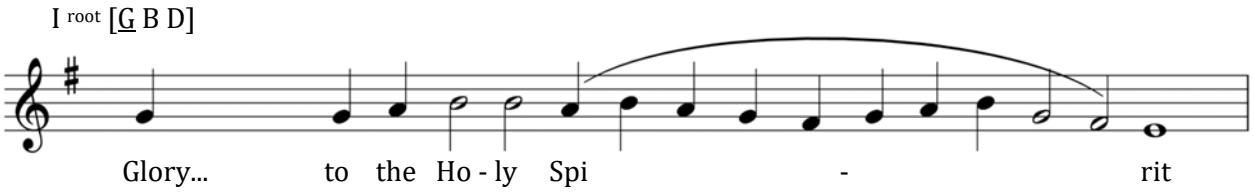
Mercifully regard the supplications of thy servants, O all-immaculate one,/ quelling the uprisings of the cruel demons against us,/ delivering us from every sorrow;/ for thee alone have we as a steadfast and sure confirmation,/ and we have acquired thine intercession;/ let not us that call upon thee be put to shame, O Mistress./ Haste thou to answer the entreaty of those who cry out to thee with faith:/ Rejoice, thou help, joy and protection of all,// and salvation of our souls!

Great Vespers

At Aposticha

Doxasticon & Resurrectional Theotokion, Tone V

Glory, in the Fifth tone.



V 5th [D F# A]

Doxasticon for the saint or commemoration of the day.

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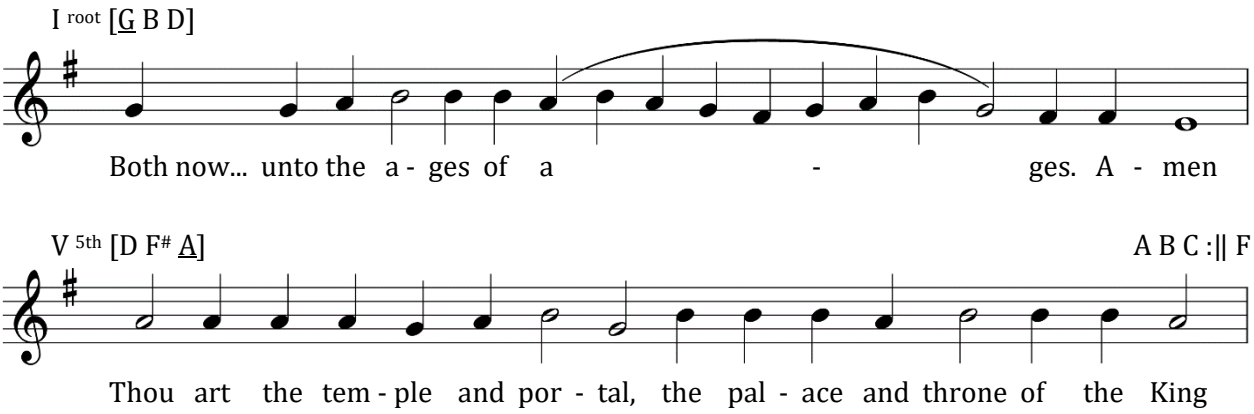


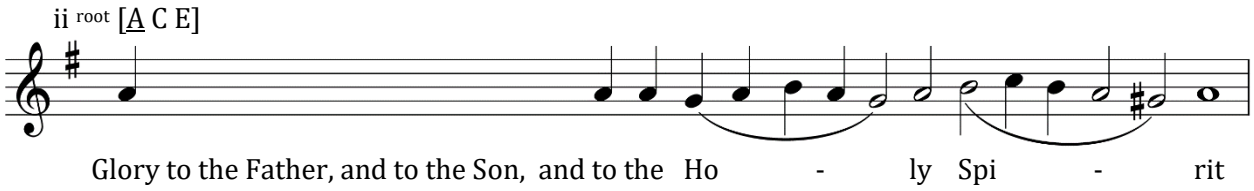
Thou art the temple and portal,/ the palace and throne of the King,/ O most honored Virgin,/ through whom Christ the Lord, my Deliverer,/ Who is the Sun of Righteousness,/ hath revealed Himself unto those who sleep in darkness,/ desiring to enlighten that which He fashioned by His own hand in His image./ Wherefore, O most-hymned one,/ as thou hast acquired maternal boldness before Him,// entreat Him without ceasing, that our souls be saved.

Great Vespers

At Aposticha

Doxasticon & Resurrectional Theotokion, Tone VI

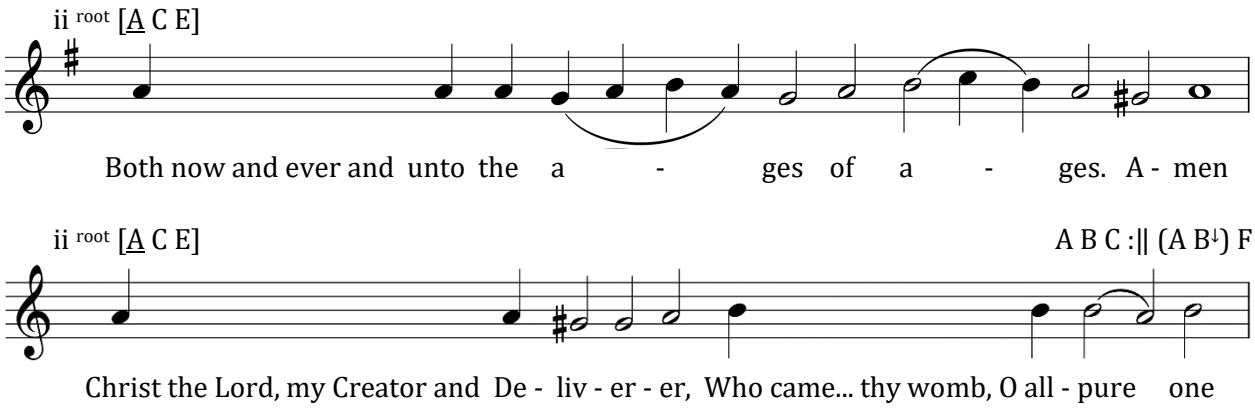
Glory, in the Sixth tone.



ii root [A C E]

Doxasticon for the saint or commemoration of the day.

Both now, the Theotokion in the same tone.



Christ the Lord, my Creator and Deliverer,/ Who came forth from thy womb, O all-pure one,/ and robed Himself in me,/ hath freed Adam from the primal curse./ Wherefore, like the angel do we unceasingly cry out to thee, O most pure one,/ who art truly the Mother of God and Virgin:/ Rejoice! Rejoice, O Mistress,// thou intercession, protection and salvation for our souls!

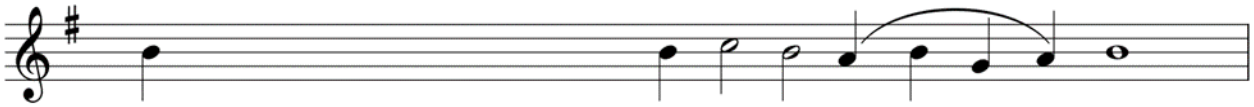
Great Vespers

At Aposticha

Doxasticon & Resurrectional Theotokion, Tone VII

Glory, in the Seventh tone.

I 3rd [G B D]



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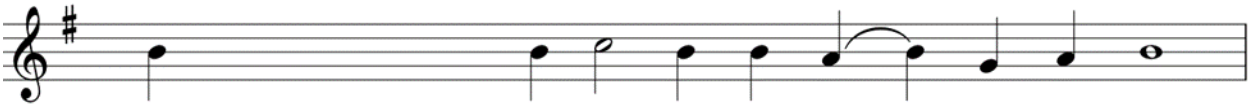
Doxasticon for the saint or commemoration of the day.

Both now, the Theotokion in the same tone.

I 3rd [G B D]



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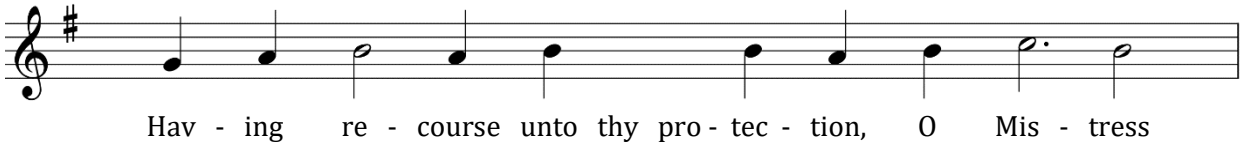


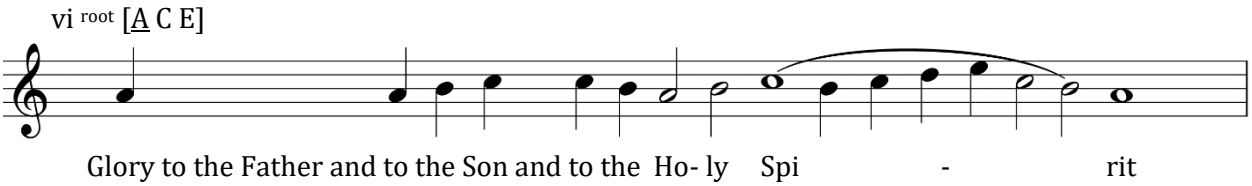
Having recourse unto thy protection, O Mistress,/ all of us born of earth cry aloud to thee:/ O Theotokos, our hope, deliver us from our countless transgressions,// and save thou our souls.

Great Vespers

At Aposticha

Doxasticon & Resurrectional Theotokion, Tone VIII

Glory, in the Eighth tone.



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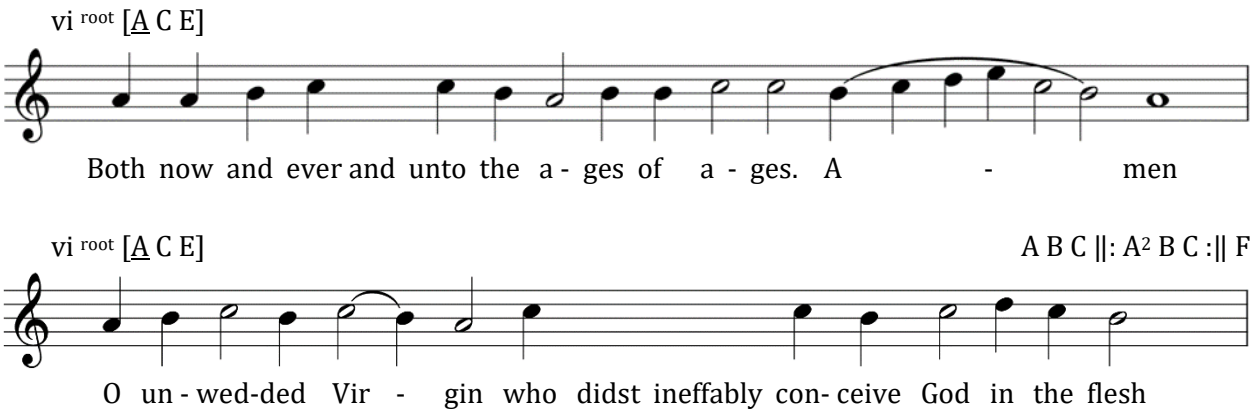
Doxasticon for the saint or commemoration of the day.

Both now, the Theotokion in the same tone.



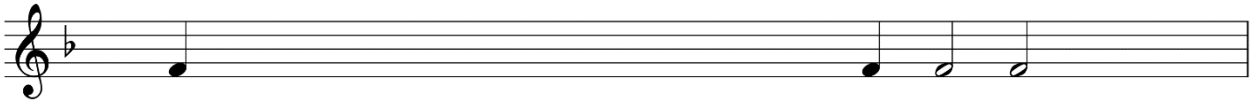
O unwedded Virgin who didst ineffably conceive God in the flesh,/ Mother of God Most High:/ Accept the entreaties of thy servants,/ O most immaculate one,/ granting unto all cleansing of transgressions;/ and, accepting now our supplications,// pray thou that we all be saved.

Matins

At God is the Lord

Troparion & Resurrectional Theotokion, Tone I

Unstressed: I root [F A C] / Stressed: V 5th [C E G]



Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spi - rit

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Troparion for the saint or commemoration of the day.

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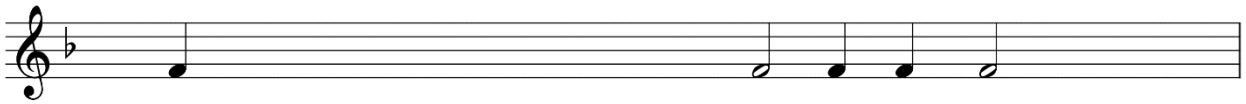
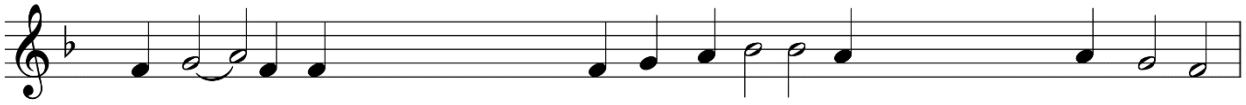


Both now and ever and unto the ages of a - ges A - men

Unstressed: I root [F A C]



When Ga - bri - el announced to thee, Re-joice! O Vir-gin, the Master of all... with - in thee

When Gabriel announced to thee, "Rejoice!" O Virgin,/ the Master of all became incarnate within thee,/ the holy ark, at his cry,/ as the righteous David said./ Thou wast shown to be more spacious than the heavens,/ having borne thy Creator./ Glory to Him Who made His abode within thee!/ Glory to Him Who came forth from thee!// Glory to Him Who hath set us free by thy birthgiving!

Matins

At God is the Lord

Troparion & Resurrectional Theotokion, Tone II

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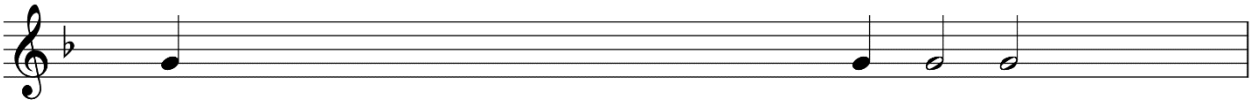

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spi - rit

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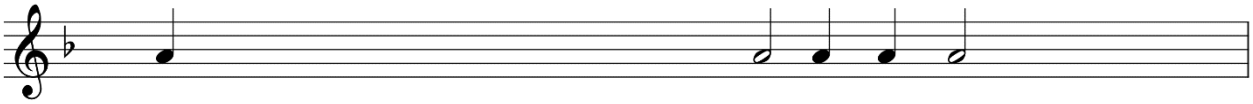
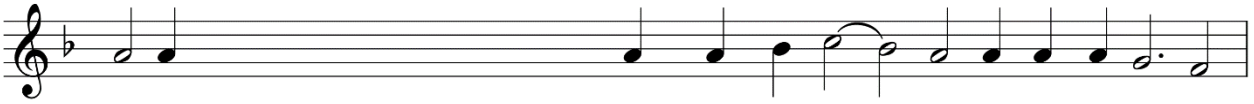
Troparion for the saint or commemoration of the day.

I 3rd [F A C]



Both now and ever and unto the ages of a - ges. A - men

Stressed: I 3rd [F A C]



All of thy most glorious mysteries are beyond com- pre - hen - sion, O The- o - to - kos

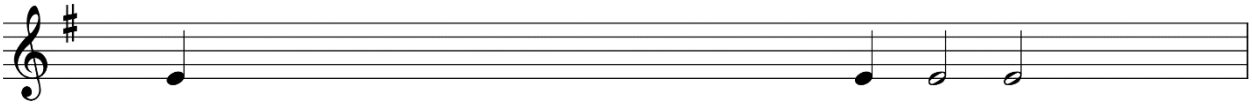
All of thy most glorious mysteries are beyond comprehension,/ O Theotokos;/ for, thy purity sealed and thy virginity intact,/ thou art known to be a true Mother,/ having given birth unto God.// Him do thou entreat, that our souls be saved.

Matins

At God is the Lord

Troparion & Resurrectional Theotokion, Tone III

i root [E G B]



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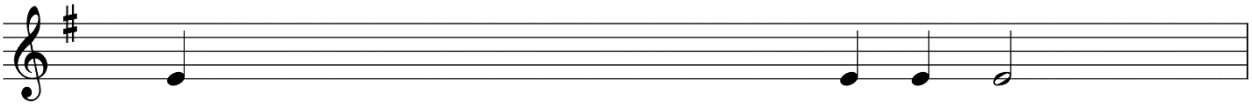
i root [E G B]

Troparion for the saint or commemoration of the day.

i root [E G B]



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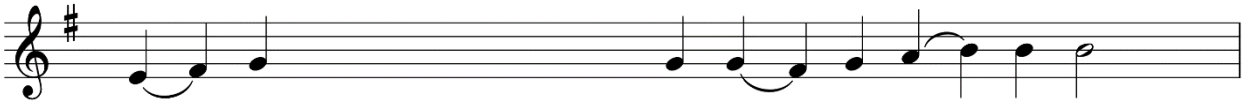

We hymn thee who hast mediated the sal - va - tion of our race

We hymn thee who hast mediated the salvation of our race,/ O Virgin Theotokos;/ for thy Son and our God,/ accepting suffering on the Cross/ in the flesh He had received of thee,/ hath delivered us from corruption,// in that He is the Lover of mankind.

Matins

At God is the Lord

Troparion & Resurrectional Theotokion, Tone IV

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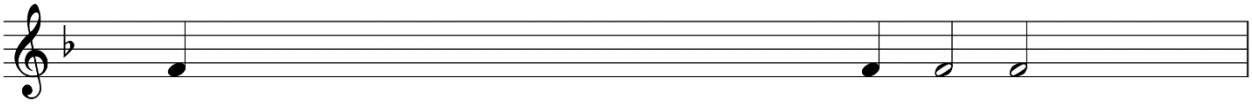

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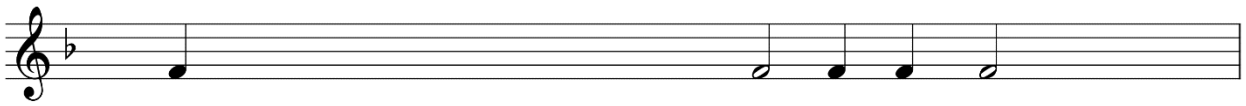

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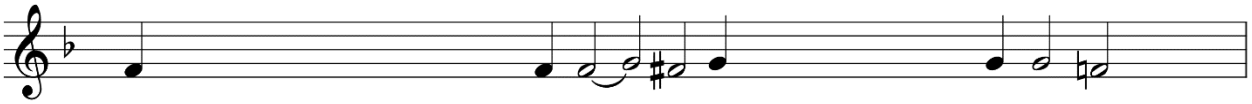

The mystery hidden from before the ages/ and unknown even to the angels,/ through thee, O Theotokos, hath been revealed to those on earth:/ God incarnate in unconfused union,/ Who willingly accepted the Cross for our sake/ and, thereby raising up the first-formed man,// hath saved our souls from death.

Matins

At God is the Lord

Troparion & Resurrectional Theotokion, Tone V

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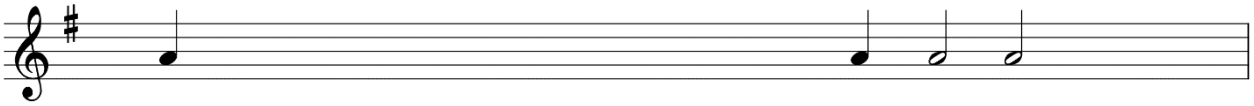

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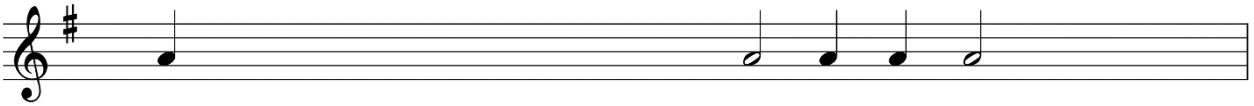

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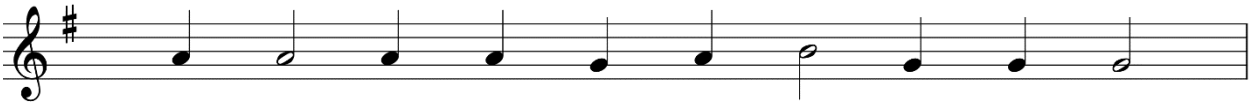

Re - joice, im - pass - a - ble gate of the Lord

Rejoice, impassable gate of the Lord!/ Rejoice, rampart and protection of those who have recourse unto thee!/ Rejoice, haven untouched by storms,/ thou that knowest not wedlock,/ who gavest birth in the flesh to thy Creator and God!/ Fail not in thy supplications for those who hymn// and worship thy birthgiving!

Matins

At God is the Lord

Troparion & Resurrectional Theotokion, Tone VI

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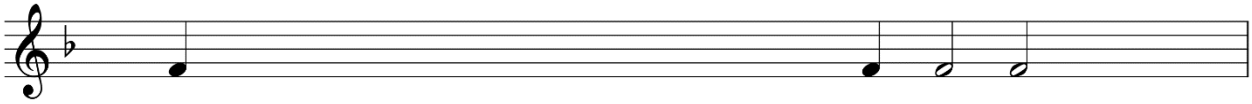

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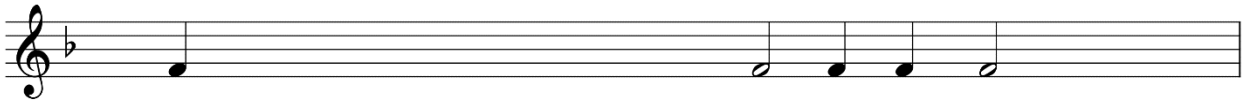

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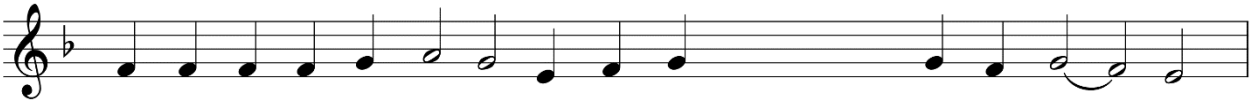

Call - ing Thy Mo - ther bless-ed, Thou didst come to Thy Passion of Thine own will

Calling Thy Mother blessed,/ Thou didst come to Thy Passion of Thine own will,/ shining forth upon the Cross,/ and desiring to seek out Adam./ Thou didst say unto the angels:/ Rejoice with Me, for the lost coin hath been found!// O our God Who has wisely arranged all things,/ glory be to Thee!

Matins

At God is the Lord

Troparion & Resurrectional Theotokion, Tone VII

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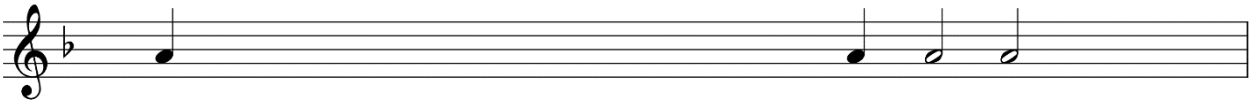

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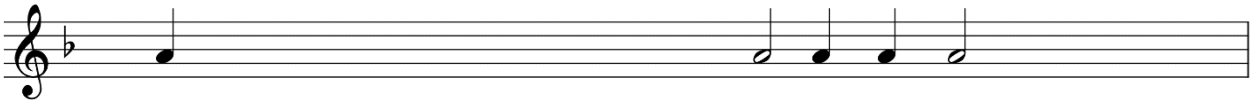

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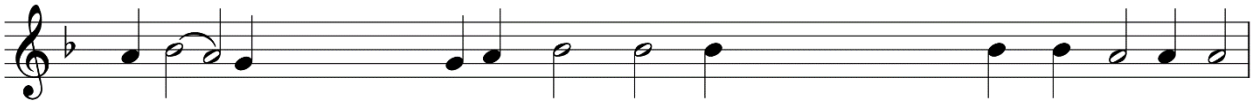

As thou art the treasury... O all-hymned one, lead up from the pit... those who trust in thee

As thou art the treasury of our resurrection, O all-hymned one,/ lead up from the pit and abyss of transgression those who trust in thee,/ for thou who gavest birth to our Salvation/ hast saved those who are subject to sin./ O thou who before giving birth wast Virgin,/ and during thy birthgiving wast virgin,// thou remainest a Virgin even after giving birth.

Matins

At God is the Lord

Troparion & Resurrectional Theotokion, Tone VIII

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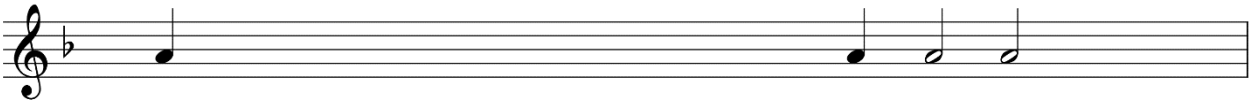

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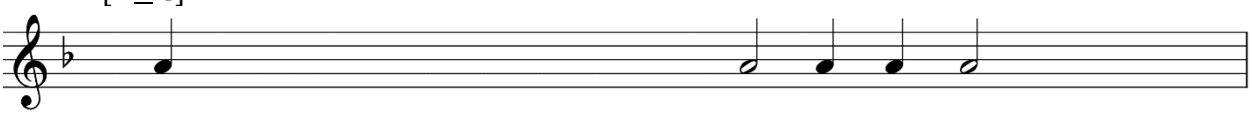

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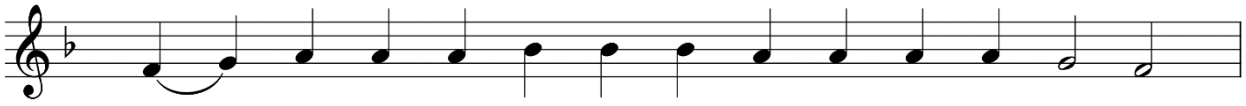
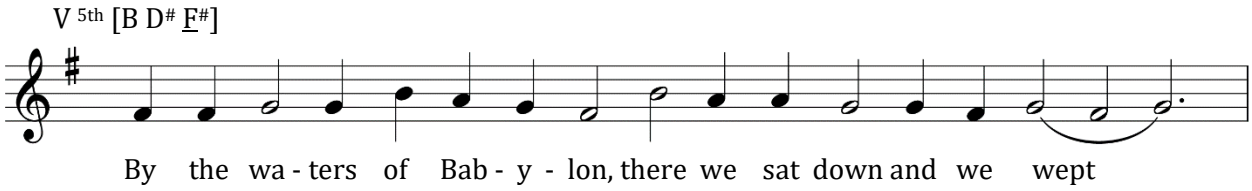


O Good One, Who for our sake wast born of the Virgin/ and, having endured crucifixion, cast down death by death,/ and as God revealed the resurrection:/ Disdain not that which Thou hast fashioned with Thine own hand./ Show forth Thy love for mankind, O Merciful One;/ accept the Theotokos who gave Thee birth and prayeth for us;// and save Thy despairing people, O our Savior!

Matins

By the Waters of Babylon

Psalm 136



By the waters of Babylon, there we sat down and we wept when we remembered Sion. Alleluia.

Upon the willows in the midst thereof did we hang our instruments. Alleluia.

For there, they that had taken us captive asked us for words of song. And they that had led us away asked us for a hymn, saying: Sing us one of the songs of Sion. Alleluia.

How shall we sing the Lord's song in a strange land? Alleluia.

If I forget thee, O Jerusalem, let my right hand be forgotten. Alleluia.

Let my tongue cleave to my throat, if I remember thee not, If I set not Jerusalem above all other, as at the head of my joy. Alleluia.

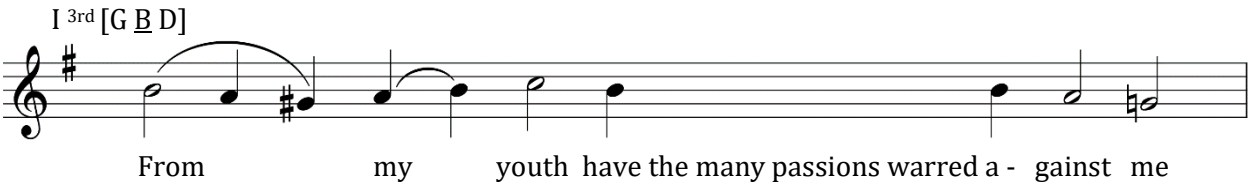
Remember, O Lord, the sons of Edom, in the day of Jerusalem, Who said: Lay waste, lay waste to her, even to the foundations thereof. Alleluia.

O daughter of Babylon, thou wretched one, blessed shall he be who shall reward thee wherewith thou hast rewarded us. Alleluia.

Blessed shall he be who shall seize and dash thine infants against the rock. Alleluia.

Matins

Hymn of Ascent, Antiphon 1, Tone IV



From my youth have the many passions warred against me; but do Thou help me and save me, O my Savior.

O ye who hate Sion, ye shall be put to shame by the Lord; for ye shall be withered up like grass by the fire.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, both now and ever, and unto the ages of ages. Amen.

By the Holy Spirit, is every soul given life, exalted by purity and made radiant by the Unity of the Trinity in a sacred and mystical manner.

Matins

At the Exapostilarion

Resurrectional Gospel 1

First Evangelical Exapostilarion

With the disciples let us ascend the mountain of Galilee with faith, to behold Christ speaking, and to receive authority over things above and things below. And let us learn how He teacheth us to baptize all the nations in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit and how He will abide with the initiates of His mysteries, as He promised, until the end of time.

Theotokion

Thou didst rejoice with the disciples, O Virgin Theotokos, for thou didst behold Christ risen from the tomb on the third day, as He said. And He appeared to them, teaching and revealing higher things, and commanding them to baptize in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, that we might believe on His resurrection, and glorify thee, O Maiden.

Resurrectional Gospel 2

Second Evangelical Exapostilarion

Seeing that the stone had been rolled away the myrrh-bearing women rejoiced, for they beheld a young man sitting in the tomb, who said to them: "Behold! Christ is risen! Say ye unto the disciples and Peter: Haste ye unto the mountain of Galilee. There will He reveal Himself to you, as He foretold to His friends."

Theotokion

Before Thou wast conceived, O Christ, an angel brought to the Virgin the salutation: "Rejoice!" and an angel rolled away the stone from Thy tomb: the one instead of grief brought tokens of ineffable joy, and the other instead of death confessed and magnified Thee, the Bestower of life, telling the women and the initiates of the mysteries of Thy resurrection.

Matins

At the Exapostilarion

Resurrectional Gospel 3

Third Evangelical Exapostilarion

Let no-one fail to believe that Christ is risen, for He revealed Himself to Mary, and was afterwards seen by those walking to the village of Emmaus, and again appeared to the eleven initiates of His mysteries as they lay in hiding, sending them forth to baptize; and He was upborne into the heavens from whence He had descended, confirming His preaching by manifold signs.

Theotokion

O Sun Who hast shone forth today from the tomb, like a bridegroom from a bridal-chamber, making hades captive and abolishing death: through the supplications of her who gave Thee birth Thou hast sent down light upon us: a light illumining our hearts and soul, a light which directeth all to walk in the paths of Thy precepts, in the way of peace.

Resurrectional Gospel 4

Fourth Evangelical Exapostilarion

Having been illumined by the virtues, let us behold the man standing in the Life-bearing tomb in brilliant vesture while the myrrh-bearing women fall prostrate; let us learn of the resurrection of Him Who hath dominion over the heavens; with Peter let us hasten to the sepulchre of Life; and, marveling at what hath taken place, let us remain to behold Christ.

Theotokion

O Lord Who hast commanded us to rejoice, Thou hast transformed the grief of our first parents, bearing the joy of Thine arising into world. Wherefore, O Bestower of life, through her who gave Thee birth send down upon us the light of Thy compassions, a light which illumineth our hearts, that we may cry out to Thee: O God-man Who lovest mankind, glory to Thy resurrection!

Matins

At the Exapostilarion

Resurrectional Gospel 5

Fifth Evangelical Exapostilarion

Christ, the Life and the Way, arose from the dead. He journeyed with Cleopas and Luke, and was recognized by them in Emmaus when He broke bread, whereat their souls and hearts burned within them when they remembered how He spake to them on the way and explained to them from the Scriptures that He had to suffer. With them let us cry out: He hath arisen, and hath appeared unto Peter!

Theotokion

I hymn Thine immeasurable mercy, O my Creator, for Thou didst abase Thyself to assume and save afflicted human nature, and, being God, Thou didst will to be born of the pure divine Maiden, to become like unto me, and to descend even into hades, desiring that I be saved through the supplications of her who gave Thee birth, O most compassionate Master.

Resurrectional Gospel 6

Sixth Evangelical Exapostilarion

Showing that Thou art a man by nature, O Savior, having risen from the dead Thou didst stand in the midst of the apostles and didst partake of food; and Thou didst teach then the baptism of repentance. And straightway Thou didst ascend to the heavenly Father, but didst promise to send the Comforter to Thy disciples. O all-divine God-man, glory to Thine arising!

Theotokion

The Author of creation and God of all took human flesh of thine all-pure blood, O most holy Virgin, renewing all my corrupted nature, and He left thee after thy birthgiving as thou wast before giving birth. Wherefore, we all praise thee with faith, crying out: Rejoice, O Mistress of the world

Matins

At the Exapostilarion

Resurrectional Gospel 7

Seventh Evangelical Exapostilarion

When Mary said that the Lord had been taken away, Simon Peter and the other initiate of the mysteries, whom Jesus loved ran to the sepulchre; and when they arrived, they found only the linen-clothes lying within, while the napkin which had covered the Savior's head lay in a place apart from them. Wherefore, they kept silence until they beheld Christ again.

Theotokion

Great and all-glorious things hast Thou wrought for my sake, O my greatly merciful Christ! For Thou wast ineffably born of the Virgin Maiden, didst undergo crucifixion, and, having endured death, didst arise in glory, and hast freed our nature from death. Glory to Thy glory, O Christ! Glory to Thy power!

Resurrectional Gospel 8

Eighth Evangelical Exapostilarion

Beholding two angels within the tomb, Mary was amazed, and not recognizing Christ, she questioned Him, assuming that He was the gardener, saying: "Sir, where have they laid the body of my Jesus?" But recognizing Him as the Savior Himself from the sound of His voice, she heard Him say: "Touch me not, for I shall depart unto the Father! Tell this to My brethren."

Theotokion

O Maiden, thou gavest birth ineffably to One of the Trinity, Who is of two natures and two activities, but a single hypostasis. Him do thou ever entreat in behalf of those who do thee homage with faith, that we be delivered from every assault of the enemy, and may all now flee to thee, O Mistress Theotokos.

Matins

At the Exapostilarion

Resurrectional Gospel 9

Ninth Evangelical Exapostilarion

While the doors were shut, O Master, Thou didst enter in and fill the apostles with the all-holy Spirit, breathing forth peace upon them; and Thou didst tell them that they have the power to bind and to loose. And on the eighth day Thou didst show Thy side and Thy hands unto Thomas. With him do we cry out: Thou art our Lord and God!

Theotokion

Thou didst behold Thy Son risen from the tomb on the third day, O all-holy Virgin Bride of God, and didst cast off all the grief wherewith, as His Mother, thou wast afflicted when thou didst behold Him suffering; and, full of joy, thou didst chant with His disciples, worshipping Him. Wherefore, save those who now confess thee to be the Theotokos.

Resurrectional Gospel 10

Tenth Evangelical Exapostilarion

On the Sea of Tiberias of old, the sons of Zebedee, with Nathaniel and Peter, Thomas and two other disciples, were in a boat; and having cast their net on the right side as Christ commanded, they drew forth a great draught of fishes. And Peter, recognizing Him, cast himself forth to come to Him. This was His third appearance; and He showed them bread and fish upon burning embers.

Theotokion

O Virgin, entreat the Lord Who arose from the tomb on the third day, in behalf of those who praise and bless thee with love; for we all have thee as a refuge of salvation and a mediatress before Him, for we are thy legacy and thy servants, O Theotokos, and we all look to thee for help.

Matins

At the Exapostilarion

Resurrectional Gospel 11

Eleventh Evangelical Exapostilarion

After His divine resurrection, the Lord asked Peter thrice: "Lovest thou Me?" and appointed him the chief shepherd of His sheep. And he, seeing the disciple whom Jesus loved following behind, asked the Master: "What shall this man do?" And He said: "If I will that he tarry until I come again, what is that to thee, O Peter My friend?"

Theotokion

O the awesome mystery! O the all-glorious wonder! By death hath death been utterly destroyed! Who therefore will not lift up his voice in hymnody? And who will not bow down before Thy resurrection, O Word, and before the Theotokos who gave birth to Thee in purity? Through her supplications, deliver all from Gehenna.

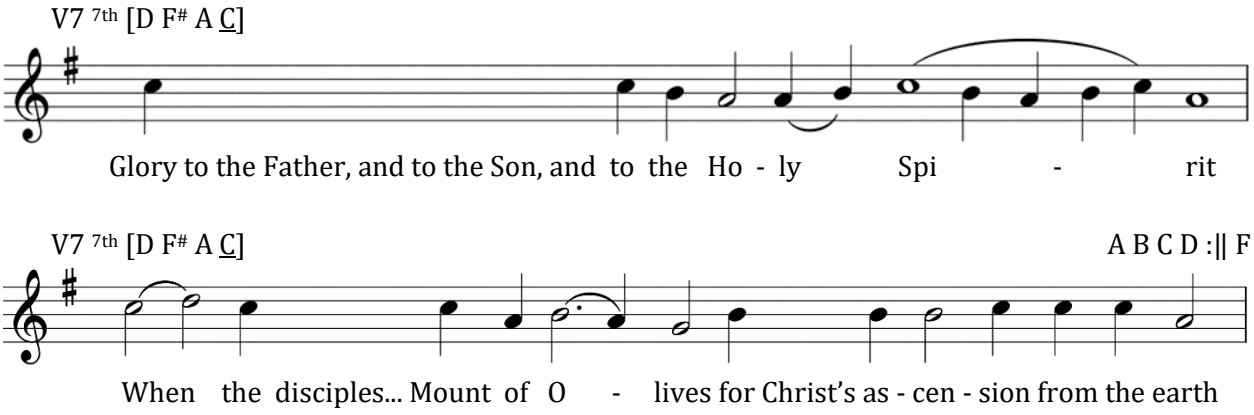
Matins

At the Psalms of Praise

Resurrectional Gospel 1

First Evangelical Sticheron, Tone I

Glory, in the First tone.



When the disciples came to the Mount of Olives/ for Christ's ascension from the earth/ the Lord stood before them;/ and having worshipped Him and learned of the authority given them everywhere,/ they were sent forth to proclaim to the whole world/ His resurrection from the dead/ and His ascension into the heavens./ And Christ God, the Savior of our souls,// promised to remain with them without fail, forever.

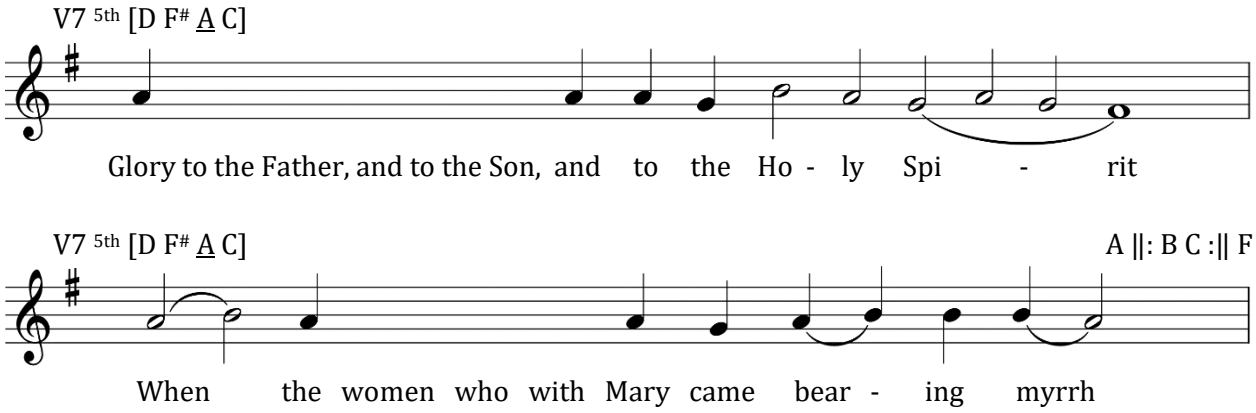
Matins

At the Psalms of Praise

Resurrectional Gospel 2

Second Evangelical Sticheron, Tone II

Glory, in the Second tone.



When the women who with Mary came bearing myrrh/ and were at a loss how they would attain their desire,/ the stone was shown to have been moved;/ and a divine youth, stilling the turmoil of their souls, said:/ "The Lord Jesus is risen!/ Wherefore, tell the disciples who preach Him/ to go with all haste into Galilee to behold Him risen from the dead,// as Bestower of Life and Lord!"

Matins

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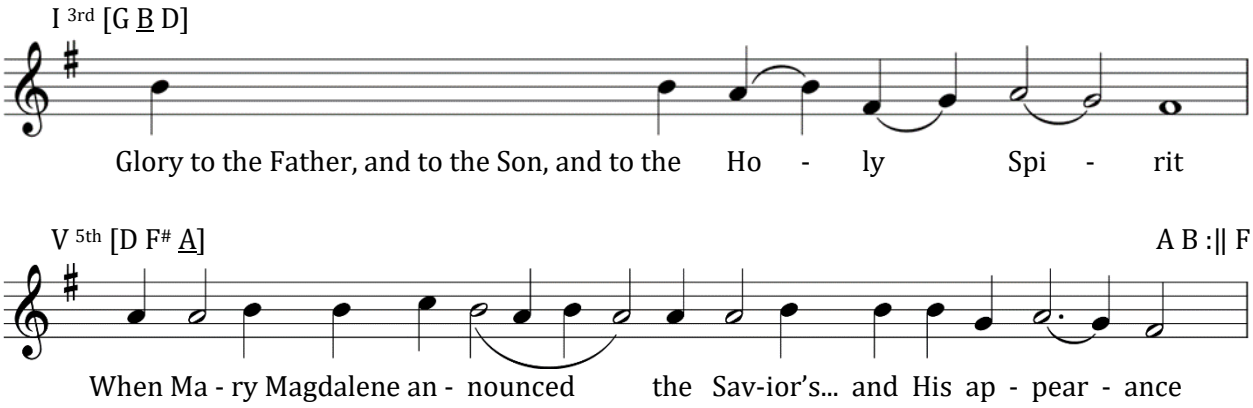
Resurrectional Gospel 3

Third Evangelical Sticheron, Tone III

Glory, in the Third tone.



When Mary Magdalene announced/ the Savior's resurrection from the dead and His appearance,/ the disciples, refusing to believe,/ were reproached for their hardness of heart;/ but armed with signs and wonders,/ they were sent forth to preach./ Thou, O Lord, didst ascend to Thy Father, the original Light;/ and they preached the word everywhere, persuading with miracles./ Wherefore, enlightened by them, we glorify Thy resurrection from the dead,// O Lord Who lovest mankind.

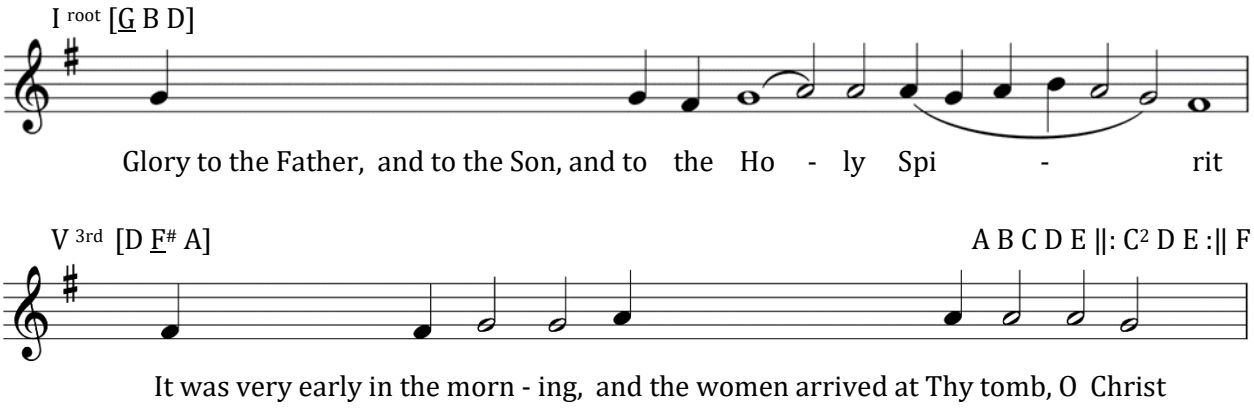
Matins

At the Psalms of Praise

Resurrectional Gospel 4

Fourth Evangelical Sticheron, Tone IV

Glory, in the Fourth tone.



It was very early in the morning,/ and the women arrived at Thy tomb, O Christ;/ But the body which they desired was not to be found./ Wherefore, two angels, clad in shining garments,/ standing before the perplexed ones, said:/ "Why seek ye the Living among the dead?/ He is risen as He foretold!/ Why do ye not remember His word?"/ And believing them, they proclaimed the things that they had seen;/ but the glad tidings were thought to be false,/ so slow yet were the disciples./ But Peter ran and, seeing,// within himself glorified Thy wonders.

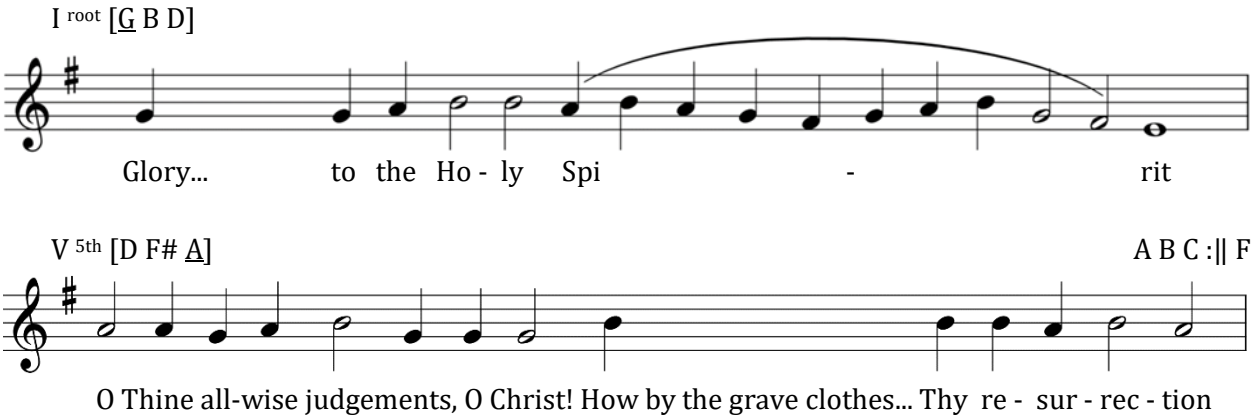
Matins

At the Psalms of Praise

Resurrectional Gospel 5

Fifth Evangelical Sticheron, Tone V

Glory, in the Fifth tone.



O Thine all-wise judgements, O Christ!/ How by the grave clothes alone didst Thou give Peter to understand Thy resurrection?/ And, while journeying with Luke and Cleopas,/ how didst Thou converse with them,/ and in conversing didst not reveal Thyself straightway?/ Wherefore, Thou wast reproached as a mere traveler to Jerusalem/ Who took no part in its counsels./ Yet, ordering all things for the benefit of Thy creation,/ Thou didst disclose the prophecies concerning Thee,/ and madest Thyself known to them when Thou didst break the bread;/ and their hearts burned within them before they recognized Thee./ And to Thine assembled disciples they manifestly proclaimed Thy resurrection,// whereby do Thou have mercy upon us.

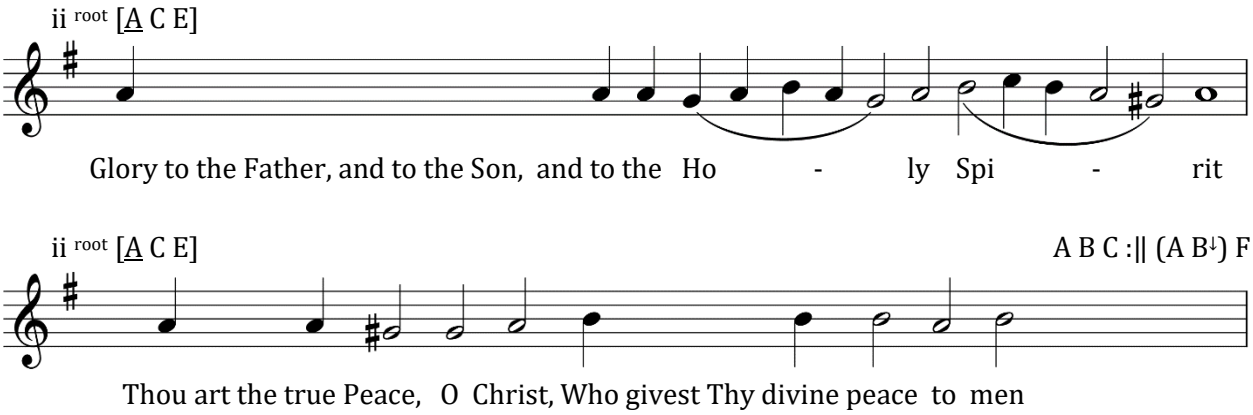
Matins

At the Psalms of Praise

Resurrectional Gospel 6

Sixth Evangelical Sticheron, Tone VI

Glory, in the Sixth tone.



Thou art the true Peace, O Christ,/ Who givest Thy divine peace to men./ After Thine arising Thou didst show Thyself to the disciples,/ and they were affrighted, thinking that they were seeing a ghost./ But Thou didst calm the turmoil of their souls,/ showing them Thy hands and feet./ Yet when they still doubted,/ Thou didst, by partaking of food and recalling Thy teachings,/ open their minds to understand the Scriptures./ And having promised them the promise of the Father,/ and blessed them, Thou didst depart into Heaven./ Wherefore, with them we worship Thee.// O Lord, glory be to Thee!

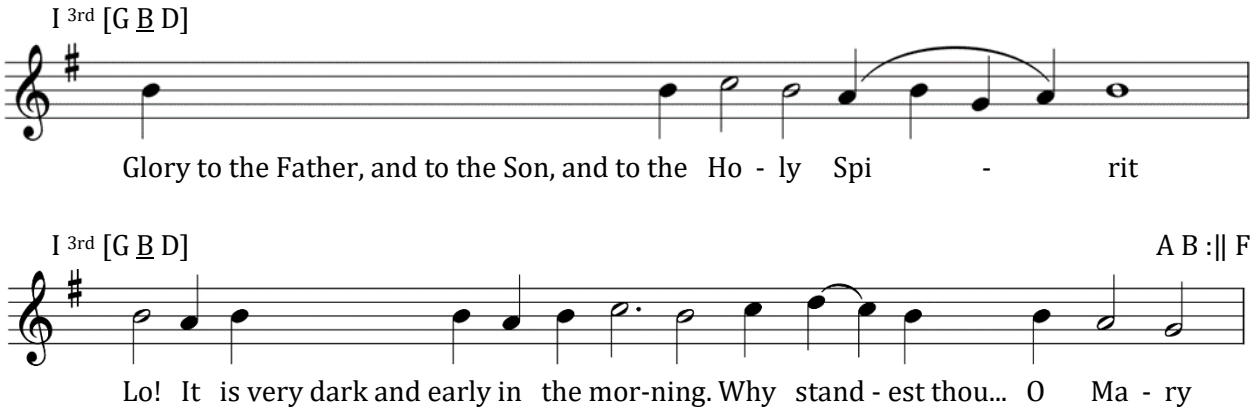
Matins

At the Psalms of Praise

Resurrectional Gospel 7

Seventh Evangelical Sticheron, Tone VII

Glory, in the Seventh tone.



Lo! It is dark and very early in the morning./ Why standest thou by the tomb, O Mary,/ harboring much darkness in thy mind, wherein thou askest:/ Where hath Jesus been laid?/ But behold the disciples who have come running together,/ and how they have discovered the resurrection by the grave clothes and the winding sheet,/ and remembered the Scriptures concerning them!/ And we, believing with them and through them, hymn Thee:// Christ the Bestower of Life.

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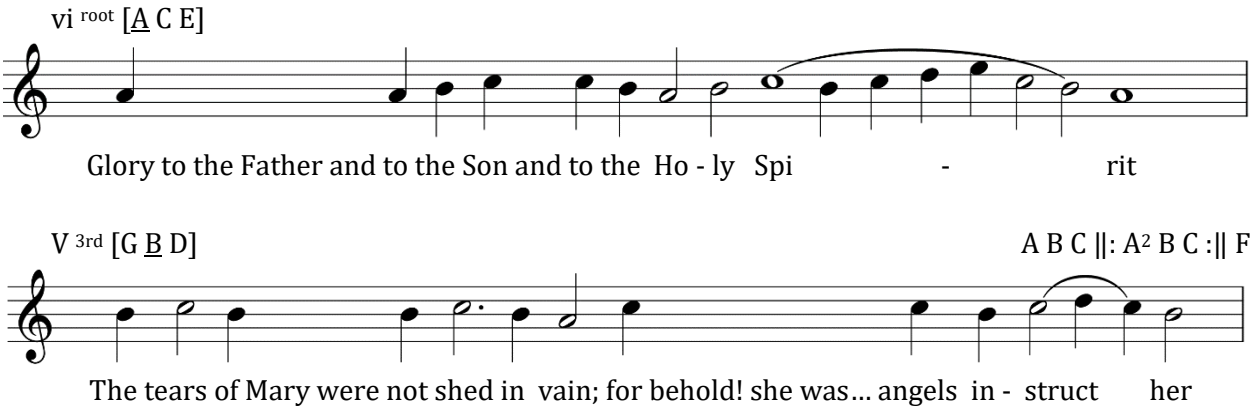
Resurrectional Gospel 8

Eighth Evangelical Sticheron, Tone VIII

Glory, in the Eighth tone.



The tears of Mary were not shed in vain;/ for behold! she was counted worthy of having angels instruct her/ and Jesus Himself appear to her./ But, as a weak woman,/ she thought earthly thoughts./ Wherefore, she was turned away and commanded not to touch Christ./ Yet she was sent as a herald to Thy disciples,/ bearing glad tidings to them/ and announcing Thine ascension the portion of the Father.// With her count us worthy O Lord and Master, of Thine appearance.

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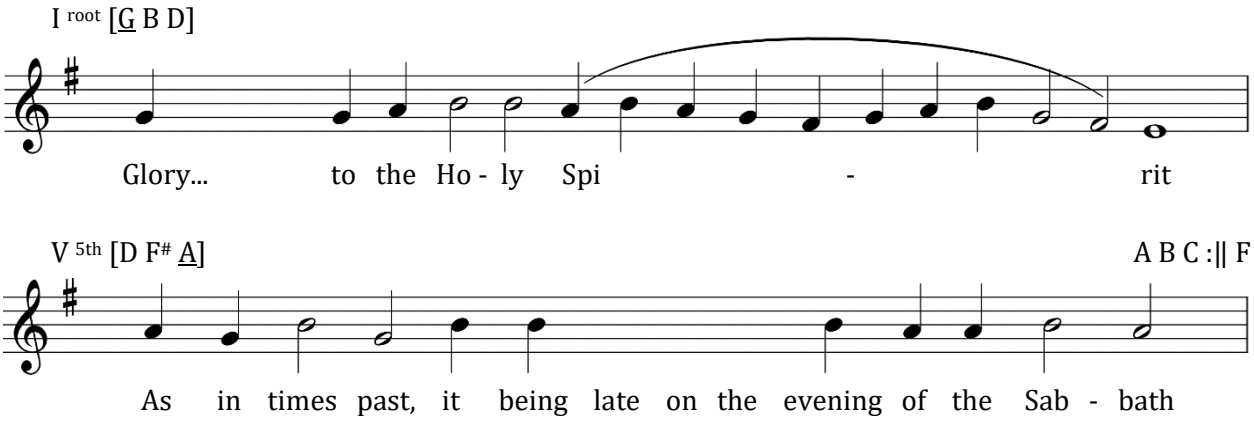
Resurrectional Gospel 9

Ninth Evangelical Sticheron, Tone V

Glory, in the Fifth tone.



As in times past,/ it being late on the evening of the Sabbath,/ Thou didst stand before Thy friends, O Christ,/ by a wonder, the entry doors being shut,/ and didst declare a wonder:/ Thy resurrection from among the dead./ And Thou didst fill Thy disciples with joy,/ and impart to them the Holy Spirit,/ and bestow upon them the authority to remit sins./ And Thou didst not leave Thomas to be engulfed in the storm of unbelief./ Wherefore, grant us also true understanding and remission of transgressions,// O compassionate Lord!

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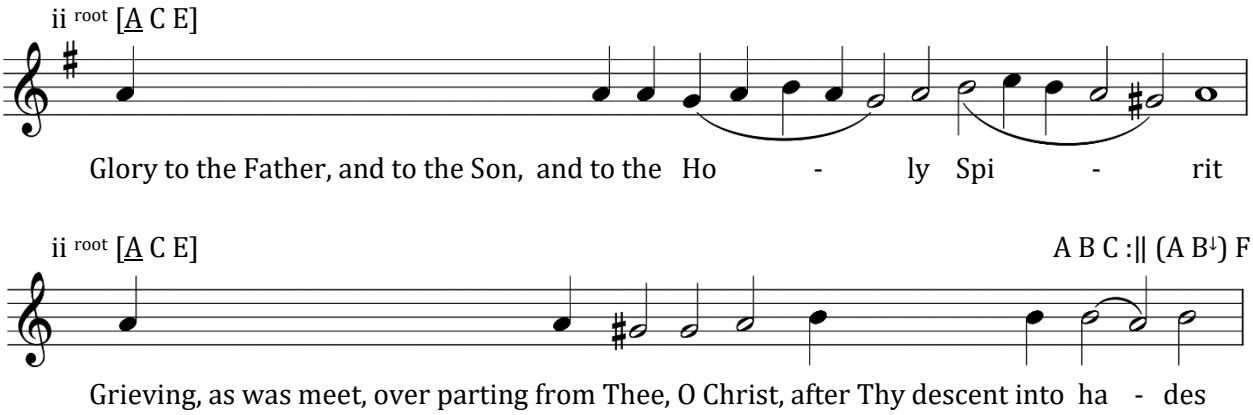
Resurrectional Gospel 10

Tenth Evangelical Sticheron, Tone VI

Glory, in the Sixth tone.



Grieving, as was meet, over parting from Thee, O Christ,/ after Thy descent into hades and Thy resurrection from the dead,/ Thy disciples returned again to their trade,/ to their boats and nets;/ yet nowhere did they catch fish./ But Thou, O Savior, showing Thyself to be Master of all,/ didst command them to cast the nets on the right side./ And straightway Thy word becameth reality,/ and there was a great multitude of fishes,/ and Thou didst prepare a strange meal on the shore./ Of that which Thy disciples then partook,/ do Thou vouchsafe that we now enjoy noetically,// O Lord Who lovest mankind!

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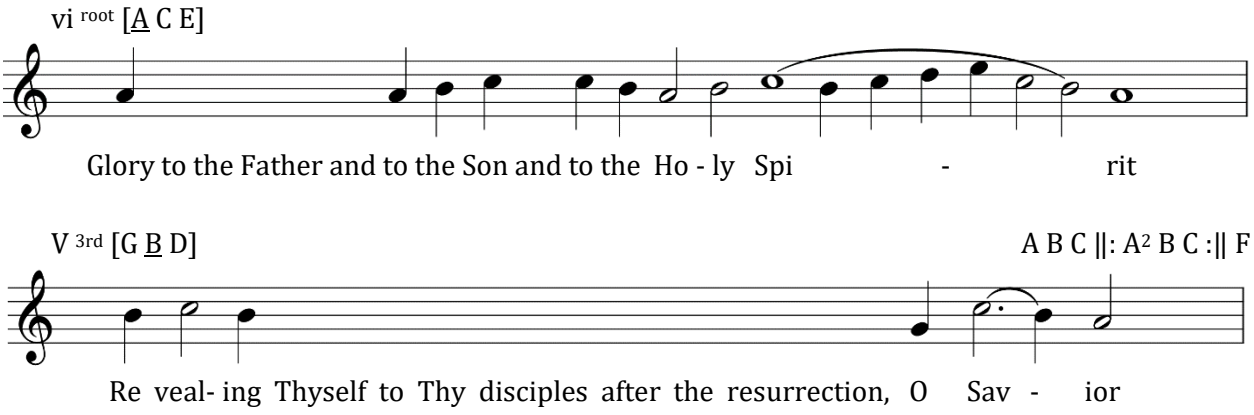
Resurrectional Gospel 11

Eleventh Evangelical Sticheron, Tone VIII

Glory, in the Eighth tone.



Revealing Thyself to Thy disciples after the resurrection, O Savior,/ Thou gavest to Simon the tending of Thy sheep,/ as a reward for his love, seeking care for the flock./ Wherefore, Thou didst say:/ "If thou lovest Me, O Peter, tend lambs,/ tend My sheep!"/ And he, straightway showing love for his friend,/ asked concerning the other disciple.// Through their prayers, O Christ, preserve Thou Thy flock from the wolves which destroy it.

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