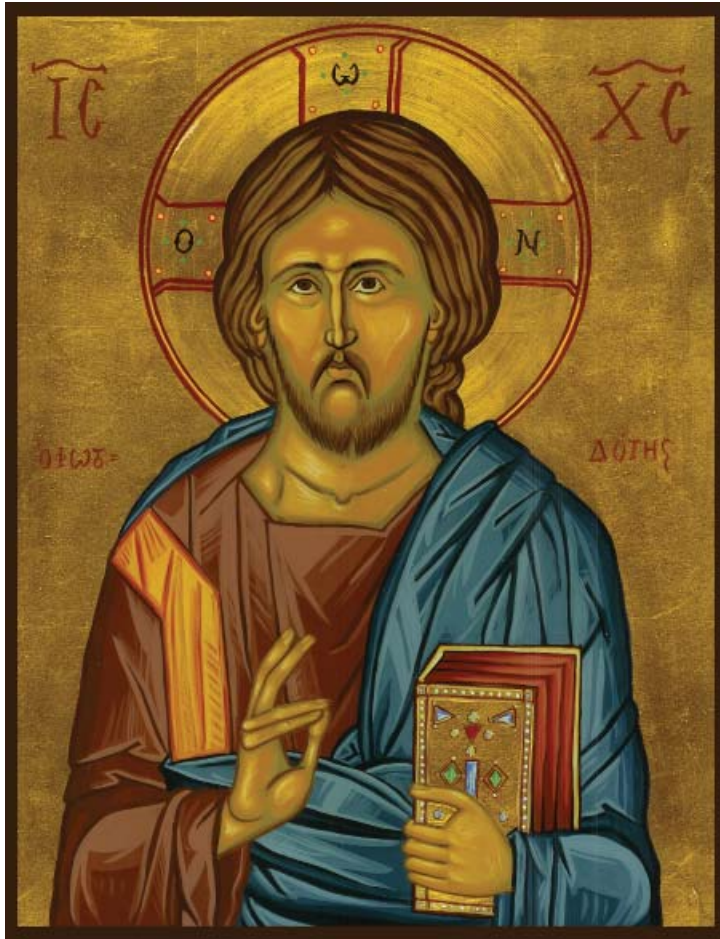


THE SERVICE OF GREAT COMPLINE

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday Evenings of Great Lent.





The Service of Great Compline

As Served on Monday Evenings of Great Lent.





“O LORD of hosts, God of Israel, who art enthroned above the cherubim, thou art the God, thou alone, of all the kingdoms of the earth; thou hast made heaven and earth.”

Isaiah 37.16

THE SERVICE OF GREAT COMPLINE

The priest, vested in exorasson and holding his epitachelion in his left hand, stands on the solea before closed holy doors, facing east, and makes three metanias, saying each time:

PRIEST: O God, be gracious unto me, a sinner, and have mercy on me. {3x}

Then he blesses the epitachelion, kisses the neck-cross and puts it on, saying:

PRIEST: Let us pray to the Lord. Lord have mercy. Blessed is God, who poureth out His grace upon his priests, as oil of myrrh upon the head, which runneth down upon the beard, upon the beard of Aaron, which runneth down the fringe of his raiment, always, now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Then blessing himself, he says in a loud voice:

PRIEST: Blessed is our God, always, now and ever, and unto ages of ages.

PEOPLE: Amen.

PRIEST: Glory to thee, our God, Glory to thee.

O heavenly King, Comforter, the Spirit of truth, who art in all places and fillest all things, treasury of good things and giver of life: come, and dwell in us, and cleanse us from every stain, and save our souls, O gracious Lord.

TRISAGION PRAYER

ALL: Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal: have mercy on us.
Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal: have mercy on us.
Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal: have mercy on us.

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

All-holy Trinity, have mercy on us. Lord cleanse us from our sins. Master, pardon our iniquities. Holy God, visit and heal our infirmities for thy Name's sake.

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

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

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

PRIEST: For thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit now and ever and unto ages of ages.

PEOPLE: Amen.

ALL: Lord have mercy. {12x}

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

O come, let us worship and fall down before God our king.

O come, let us worship and fall down before Christ, our king and our God.

O come, let us worship and fall down before the Very Christ, our king and our God.

The priest goes to the stand with the chanters and readers.

Psalm 4

READER: When I called upon Thee, O God of my righteousness, Thou didst hearken unto me; in mine affliction Thou hast enlarged me. Have compassion on me and hear my prayer. O ye sons of men, how long will ye be slow of heart? Why do ye love vanity, and seek after falsehood? Know also that the Lord hath made wondrous His holy one; the Lord will hearken unto me when I cry unto Him. Be angry, and sin not; feel compunction upon your beds for what ye say in your hearts. Sacrifice a sacrifice of righteousness, and hope in the Lord. Many say: Who will show unto us good things? The light of Thy countenance, O Lord, hath been signed upon us; Thou hast given gladness to my heart. From the fruit of their wheat, wine, and oil are they multiplied. In peace in the same place I shall lay me down and sleep. For Thou, O Lord, alone hast made me to dwell in hope.

Psalm 6

READER: O Lord, rebuke me not in Thine anger, nor chasten me in Thy wrath. Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I am weak. Heal me, O Lord, for my bones are troubled, and my soul is troubled greatly; but Thou, O Lord, how long? Turn to me again, O Lord, deliver my soul; save me for Thy mercy's sake. For in death there is none that is mindful of Thee, and in hades who will confess Thee? I toiled in my groaning; every night I will wash my bed, with tears will I water my couch. Through wrath is mine eye become troubled, I have grown old among all mine enemies. Depart from me all ye that work vanity, for the Lord hath heard the voice of my weeping. The Lord hath heard my supplication, the Lord hath received my prayer. Let all mine enemies be greatly put to shame and be troubled, let them be turned back, and speedily be greatly put to shame.

Psalm 12 (13)

READER: How long, O Lord, wilt Thou utterly forget me? How long wilt Thou turn Thy face away from me? How long shall I take counsel in my soul with grievings in my heart by day and by night? How long shall mine enemy be exalted over me? Look upon me, hear me, O Lord my God; enlighten mine eyes, lest at any time I sleep unto death. Lest at any time mine enemy say: I have prevailed against him. They that afflict me will rejoice if I am shaken; but as for me, I have hoped in Thy mercy. My heart will rejoice in Thy salvation. I will sing unto the Lord, Who is my benefactor, and I will chant unto the name of the Lord Most High.

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

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia. Glory to Thee, O God.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia. Glory to Thee, O God.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia. Glory to Thee, O God.

Lord, have mercy, Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy.

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



Psalm 24 (25)

READER: Unto Thee, O Lord, have I lifted up my soul. O my God, in Thee have I trusted; let me never be put to shame, nor let mine enemies laugh me to scorn. Yea, let none that wait on Thee be put to shame; let them be ashamed which are lawless without a cause. Make Thy ways, O Lord, known unto me and teach me Thy paths. Lead me in Thy truth and teach me, for Thou art God my Saviour; for on Thee have I waited all the day long. Remember Thy compassions; O Lord, and Thy mercies, for they are from everlasting. The sins of my youth and mine ignorances remember not; according to Thy mercy remember Thou me, for the sake of Thy goodness, O Lord. Good and upright is the Lord; therefore will He set a law for them that sin in the way. He will guide the meek in judgement, He will teach the meek His ways. All the ways of the Lord are mercy and truth, unto them that seek after His covenant and His testimonies. For the sake of Thy name, O Lord, be gracious unto my sin; for it is great. Who is the man that feareth the Lord? He will set him a law in the way which He hath chosen. His soul shall dwell among good things, and his seed shall inherit the earth. The Lord is the strength of them that fear Him, and His covenant shall be manifested unto them. Mine eyes are ever toward the Lord, for He it is that will draw my feet out of the snare. Look upon me, and have mercy on me; for I am one only-begotten and poor. The afflictions of my heart are multiplied; bring me out from my necessities. Behold my lowliness and my toil, and forgive all my sins. Look upon my enemies, for they are multiplied, and with an unjust hatred they have hated me. Keep my soul and rescue me; let me not be put to shame, for I have hoped in Thee. The innocent and the upright have cleaved unto me, for I waited on Thee, O Lord. Redeem Israel, O God, out of all his afflictions.

Psalm 30 (31)

READER: In Thee, O Lord, have I hoped, let me not be put to shame in the age to come; in Thy righteousness deliver me, and rescue me. Bow down Thine ear unto me, make haste to rescue me, be Thou unto me a God to defend me and a house of refuge to save me. For my strength and my refuge art Thou, and for Thy name's sake wilt Thou guide me and nourish me. Thou wilt bring me out of this snare which they have hid for me, for Thou art my defender, O Lord. Into Thy hands I will commit my spirit; Thou hast redeemed me, O Lord God of truth. Thou hast hated them that cling to empty vanities; but I have hoped in the Lord. I will rejoice and be glad in Thy mercy, for Thou hast regarded my lowliness; Thou hast saved my soul out of necessities, And hast not shut me up in the hands of enemies; Thou hast set my feet in a spacious place. Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I am afflicted; mine eye is troubled with anger, as also my soul and my belly. For my life is spent with grief, and my years with groanings; my strength hath grown weak in poverty, and my bones are troubled. I am become a reproach among all mine enemies, and greatly for my neighbours also, and a fear to mine acquaintances. They that saw me without fled from me. I am forgotten by the heart like a dead man. I am become like a broken vessel. For I have heard the reproach of many that dwell round about; when they assembled together against me, they devised to take away my life. But as for me, I have hoped in Thee, O Lord; I said: Thou art my God; in Thy hands are my lots. Deliver me from the hands of mine enemies, and from them that persecute me. Make Thy face to shine upon Thy servant, save me in Thy mercy. O Lord, let me not be put to shame, for I have called upon Thee; let the ungodly be put to shame and let them be brought down into

hades. Speechless be the deceitful lips which speak iniquity against the righteous man with arrogance and contempt. How great is the multitude of Thy goodness, O Lord, which Thou hast hid for them that fear Thee, which Thou hast wrought for them that hope in Thee before the sons of men. Thou shalt hide them in the secrecy of Thy presence from the disturbance of men; Thou shalt shelter them in the tabernacle from contradiction of tongues. Blessed is the Lord, for He hath made His mercy wondrous in a fortified city. But as for me, I said in mine ecstasy: I am cast away from the presence of Thine eyes. Therefore hast Thou heard the voice of my supplication when I cried unto Thee. O love ye the Lord, all ye His saints, for the Lord requireth truth; and unto them that act with exceeding pride, He rendereth them their due. Be ye manful, and let your heart be strengthened, all ye that hope in the Lord.

Psalm 90 (91)

READER: He that dwelleth in the help of the Most High shall abide in the shelter of the God of heaven. He shall say unto the Lord: Thou art my helper and my refuge. He is my God, and I will hope in Him. For He shall deliver thee from the snare of the hunters and from every troubling word. With His shoulders will He overshadow thee, and under His wings shalt thou have hope. With a shield will His truth encompass thee; thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night, nor for the arrow that flieth by day, Nor for the thing that walketh in darkness, nor for the mishap and demon of noonday. A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand, but unto thee shall it not come nigh. Only with thine eyes shalt thou behold, and thou shalt see the reward of sinners. For Thou, O Lord, art my hope.

Thou madest the Most High thy refuge; No evils shall come nigh thee, and no scourge shall draw nigh unto thy dwelling. For He shall give His angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways. On their hands shall they bear thee up, lest at any time thou dash thy foot against a stone. Upon the asp and basilisk shalt thou tread, and thou shalt trample upon the lion and dragon. For he hath set his hope on Me, and I will deliver him; I will shelter him because he hath known My name. He shall cry unto Me, and I will hearken unto him. I am with him in affliction, and I will rescue him and glorify him. With length of days will I satisfy him, and I will show him My salvation.

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

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia. Glory to Thee, O God.

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Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia. Glory to Thee, O God.

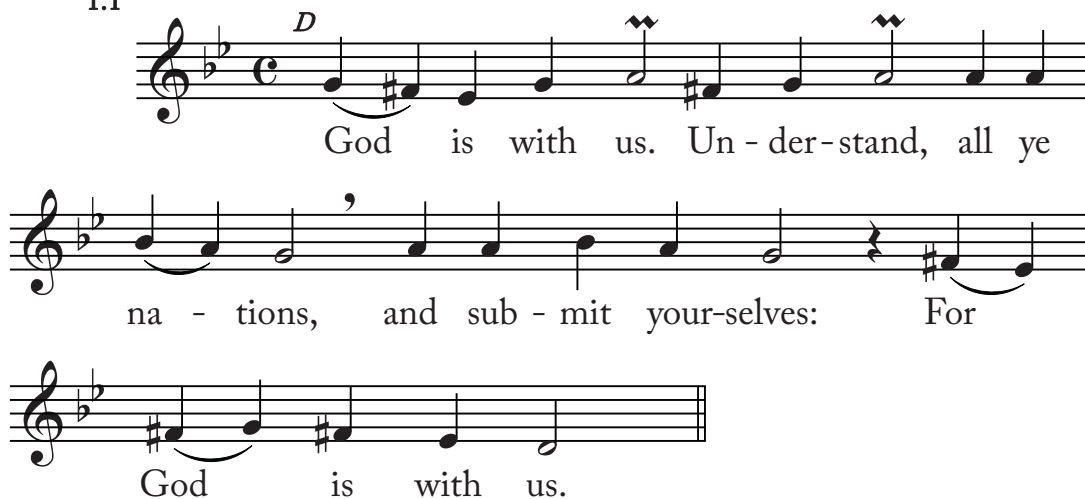
Lord, have mercy, Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy.

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

GOD IS WITH US

Tone 2. Heirmologic. [*Hard Chromatic*]

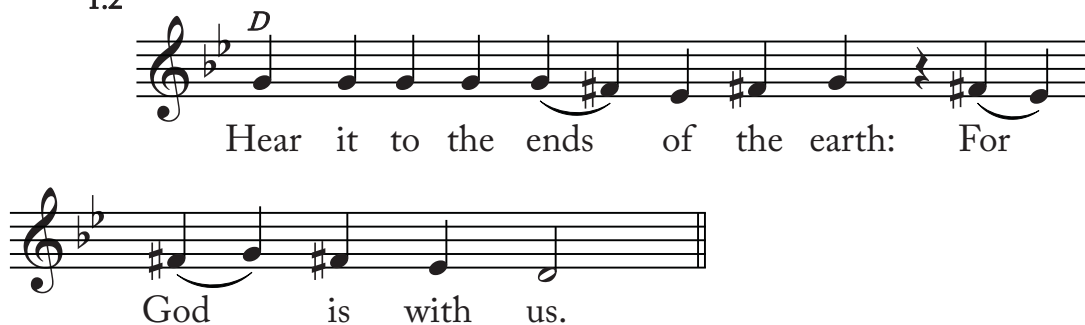
1.1



Musical notation for section 1.1, consisting of three staves. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and a common time signature (C). A dynamic marking 'D' is placed above the first note. The melody consists of quarter notes: G4, A4, B-flat4, C5, D5, E-flat5, F5, G5, A5, B-flat5, C6, D6. There are two fermatas over the notes E-flat5 and B-flat5. The lyrics 'God is with us. Un - der - stand, all ye' are written below the first staff. The second staff continues the melody with quarter notes: C6, B-flat5, A5, G5, F5, E-flat5, D5, C5, B-flat4, A4, G4, F4, E-flat4, D4. The lyrics 'na - tions, and sub - mit your-selves: For' are written below the second staff. The third staff concludes with quarter notes: D4, C4, B-flat3, A3, G3, F3, E-flat3, D3. The lyrics 'God is with us.' are written below the third staff. The piece ends with a double bar line.

God is with us. Un - der - stand, all ye
na - tions, and sub - mit your-selves: For
God is with us.

1.2



Musical notation for section 1.2, consisting of two staves. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and a common time signature (C). A dynamic marking 'D' is placed above the first note. The melody consists of quarter notes: G4, A4, B-flat4, C5, D5, E-flat5, F5, G5, A5, B-flat5, C6, D6. The lyrics 'Hear it to the ends of the earth: For' are written below the first staff. The second staff concludes with quarter notes: D6, C6, B-flat5, A5, G5, F5, E-flat5, D5. The lyrics 'God is with us.' are written below the second staff. The piece ends with a double bar line.

Hear it to the ends of the earth: For
God is with us.

1.3

D

Ye might - ty shall be de -

feat - ed: For God is with us.

1.4

D

Ev - en if ye should pre - vail a - gain

ye shall be de - feat - ed: For


God is with us.

God is with us.


God is with us.

1.5


D



What - ev - er plan ye con - ceive, the



Lord shall de - stroy it: For




God is with us.


Detailed description: This block contains the musical notation for section 1.5. It consists of three staves of music in a treble clef with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The first staff begins with a dynamic marking 'D' and contains the lyrics 'What - ev - er plan ye con - ceive, the'. The second staff continues with 'Lord shall de - stroy it: For'. The third staff concludes with 'God is with us.' and ends with a double bar line. The melody is primarily quarter and eighth notes, with some slurs and ties.

1.6


D



What - ev - er word ye shall speak shall



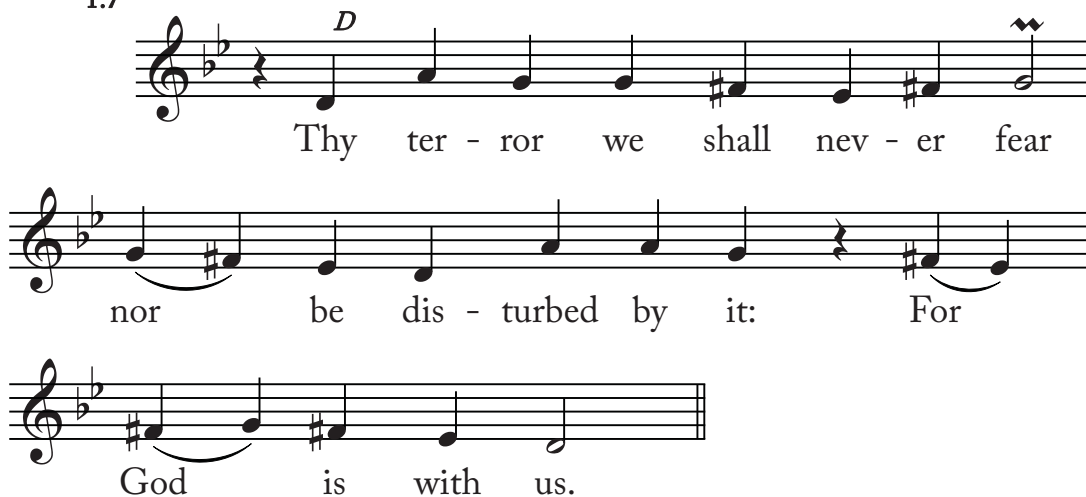
not a - bide a - mong you: For



God is with us.

Detailed description: This block contains the musical notation for section 1.6. It consists of three staves of music in a treble clef with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The first staff begins with a dynamic marking 'D' and contains the lyrics 'What - ev - er word ye shall speak shall'. The second staff continues with 'not a - bide a - mong you: For'. The third staff concludes with 'God is with us.' and ends with a double bar line. The melody is primarily quarter and eighth notes, with some slurs and ties.

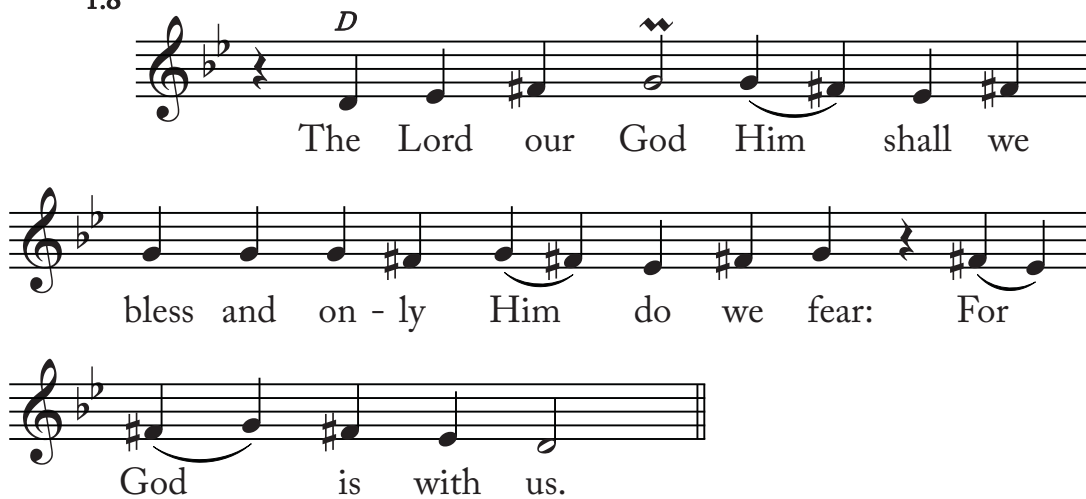
1.7



Musical score for section 1.7, consisting of three staves of music in a treble clef with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The first staff begins with a dynamic marking *D* and contains the lyrics "Thy ter - ror we shall nev - er fear". The second staff continues with "nor be dis - turbed by it: For". The third staff concludes with "God is with us." The melody is primarily composed of quarter and eighth notes, with some slurs and a fermata over the final note of the first staff.

Thy ter - ror we shall nev - er fear
nor be dis - turbed by it: For
God is with us.

1.8



Musical score for section 1.8, consisting of three staves of music in a treble clef with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The first staff begins with a dynamic marking *D* and contains the lyrics "The Lord our God Him shall we". The second staff continues with "bless and on - ly Him do we fear: For". The third staff concludes with "God is with us." The melody is primarily composed of quarter and eighth notes, with some slurs and a fermata over the final note of the first staff.

The Lord our God Him shall we
bless and on - ly Him do we fear: For
God is with us.

1.9



And if I trust in Him

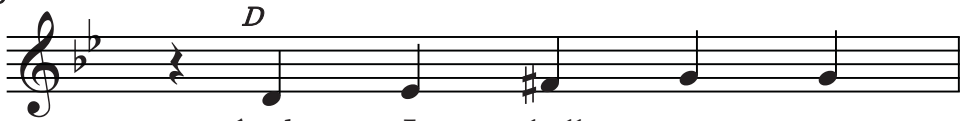


it shall be a blessing to me: For



God is with us.

1.10



And I shall trust in



Him and shall be saved by Him: For



God is with us.

1.11

Musical score for 1.11, featuring three staves of music in a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a common time signature. The first staff begins with a dynamic marking of *D*. The lyrics are: "Lo, I and the chil - dren whom God hath giv - en me: For God is with us." The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes with various accidentals (sharps and naturals).

D
Lo, I and the chil - dren whom
God hath giv - en me: For
God is with us.

1.12

Musical score for 1.12, featuring three staves of music in a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a common time signature. The first staff begins with a dynamic marking of *D*. The lyrics are: "The peo - ple that walked in dark - ness have seen a great Light: For God is with us." The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes with various accidentals (sharps and naturals).

D
The peo - ple that walked in
dark - ness have seen a great Light: For
God is with us.

1.13

Musical score for 1.13, featuring three staves of music in a treble clef with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The tempo is marked *D*. The lyrics are: "And they that dwelt in the land of the sha - dow of death, on them hath the Light shined: For God is with us." The first staff begins with a quarter rest followed by a half note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note B-flat4, a quarter note C5, a quarter note B-flat4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note G4, a quarter note F4, and a quarter note E4. The second staff continues with a quarter note D4, a quarter note C4, a quarter note B-flat4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note G4, a quarter note F4, a quarter note E4, a quarter note D4, a quarter note C4, a quarter note B-flat4, a quarter note A4, and a quarter note G4. The third staff concludes with a quarter note F4, a quarter note E4, a quarter note D4, a quarter note C4, a quarter note B-flat4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note G4, a quarter note F4, a quarter note E4, and a quarter note D4.

D

And they that dwelt in the land of the
sha - dow of death, on them hath the
Light shined: For God is with us.

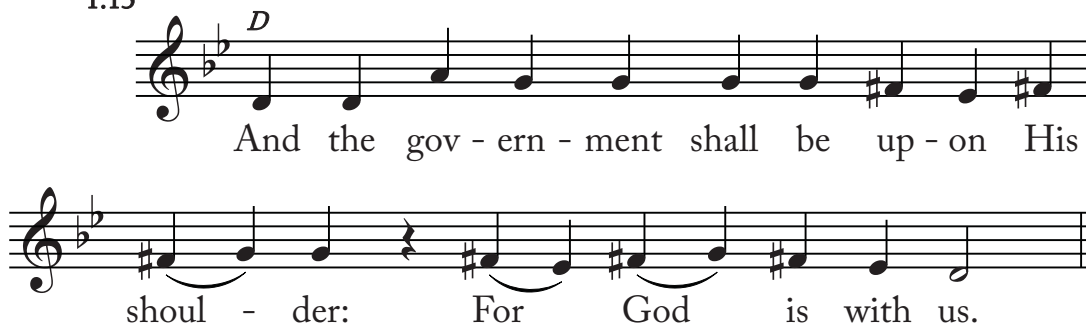
1.14

Musical score for 1.14, featuring three staves of music in a treble clef with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The tempo is marked *D*. The lyrics are: "For a Child was born un - to us, a Son was giv - en to us: For God is with us." The first staff begins with a quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note B-flat4, a quarter note C5, a quarter note B-flat4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note G4, a quarter note F4, a quarter note E4, and a quarter note D4. The second staff continues with a quarter note C4, a quarter note B-flat4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note G4, a quarter note F4, a quarter note E4, a quarter note D4, a quarter note C4, a quarter note B-flat4, a quarter note A4, and a quarter note G4. The third staff concludes with a quarter note F4, a quarter note E4, a quarter note D4, a quarter note C4, a quarter note B-flat4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note G4, a quarter note F4, a quarter note E4, and a quarter note D4.

D


For a Child was born un - to us, a
Son was giv - en to us: For
God is with us.

1.15



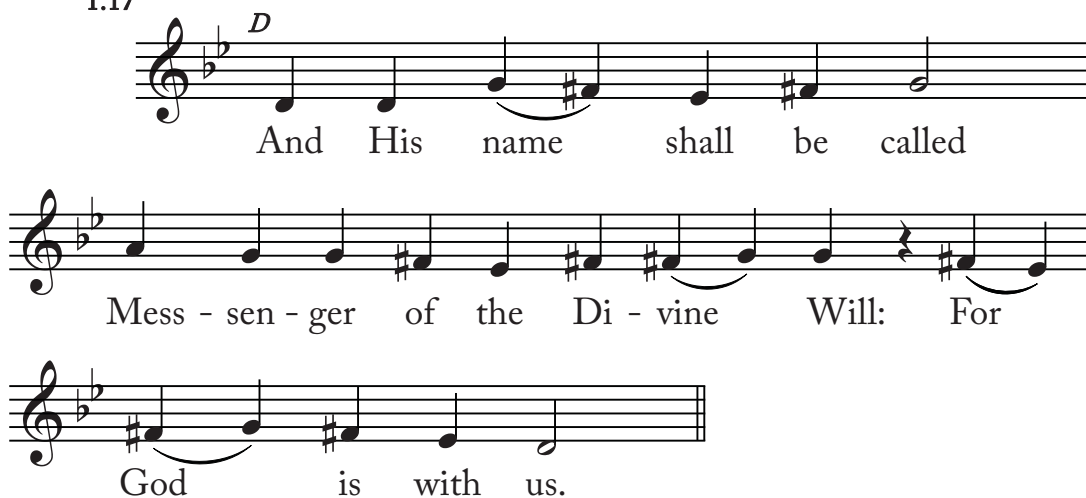
Musical notation for 1.15, featuring a treble clef, a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and a common time signature. The melody is marked with a 'D' above the staff. The lyrics are: "And the gov - ern - ment shall be up - on His shoul - der: For God is with us."

1.16



Musical notation for 1.16, featuring a treble clef, a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and a common time signature. The melody is marked with a 'D' above the staff. The lyrics are: "And of His peace there shall be no end: For God is with us."

1.17



Musical notation for 1.17, featuring a treble clef, a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and a common time signature. The melody is marked with a 'D' above the staff. The lyrics are: "And His name shall be called Mess - sen - ger of the Di - vine Will: For God is with us."

1.18



Won - der - ful Coun - cel - or: For



God is with us.

1.19



Might - y God, Mas - ter, Prince of



peace: For God is with us.

1.20



Fa - ther of the age to come: For



God is with us.

1.21

Musical score for 1.21, featuring three staves of music in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time. The first staff begins with a dynamic marking of *D* (Dolce). The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes, with a fermata over the final note of the first line. The lyrics are: "Glo - ry to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Spir - it: For God is with us."

Glo - ry to the Fa - ther and to the
Son and to the Ho - ly Spir - it: For
God is with us.

1.22

Musical score for 1.22, featuring three staves of music in G major (one flat) and 4/4 time. The first staff begins with a dynamic marking of *D* (Dolce). The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes, with a fermata over the final note of the first line. The lyrics are: "Both now and ev - er and un - to a - ges of a - ges. A - men: For God is with us."

Both now and ev - er and un - to
a - ges of a - ges. A - men: For
God is with us.

1.23 Slow



God is with us. Un - der - stand, all ye



na - tions, and sub - mit your-selves: For



God is with us.

Alternate Ending arranged by Bishop Basil (Essey)

1.23 Slow



God is with us. Un - der - stand, all ye



na - tions, and sub - mit your - selves: For



God is with us.

THE EVENING TROPARIA

Tone 6. Heirmologic. [*Soft Chromatic*]

2.1



Now that the day hath come



to a close, I thank Thee, O Lord, and



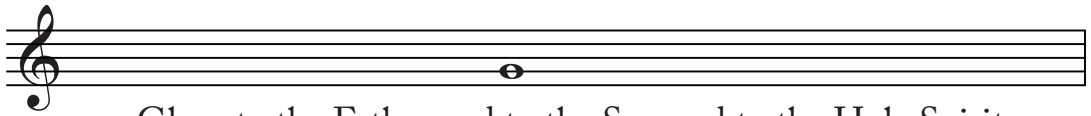
pray that the eve - ning with the



night may be sin - less; grant this to



me, O Sav - - - iour and save me.



Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

2.2



Now that the day hath passed, I



glo - ri - fy Thee, O Mas - ter, and



pray that the eve - ning with the



night may be with - out of - fence;



grant this to me, O Sav - iour and



save me.



Both now and ever and unto the ages of ages. Amen.

2.3



Now that the day hath run its



course, I praise Thee, O Ho - ly



One, and pray that the eve - ning with the



night may be un - dis - turbed; grant this to

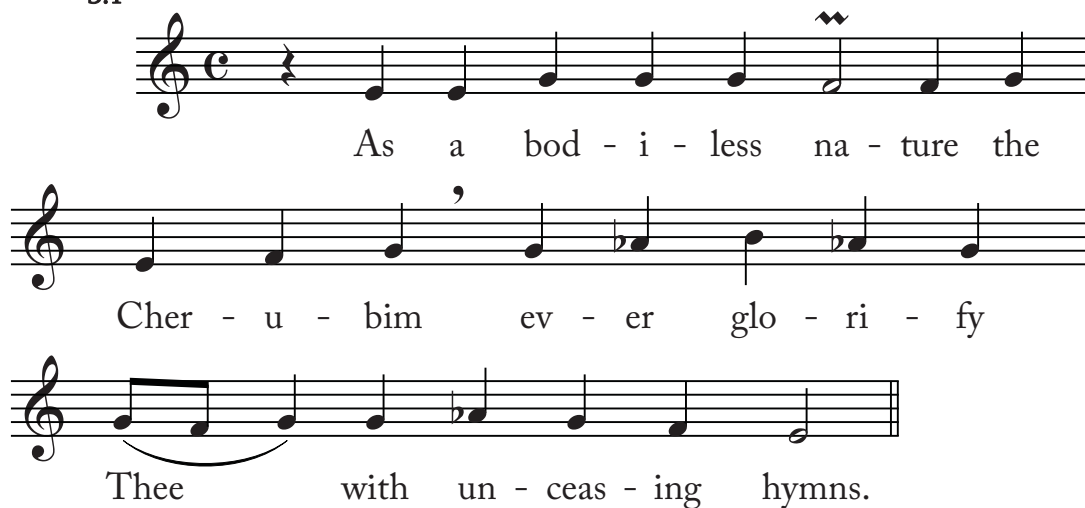


me, O Sav - - iour, and save me.

As a BODILESS NATURE

Tone 6. Heirmologic. [*Soft Chromatic*]

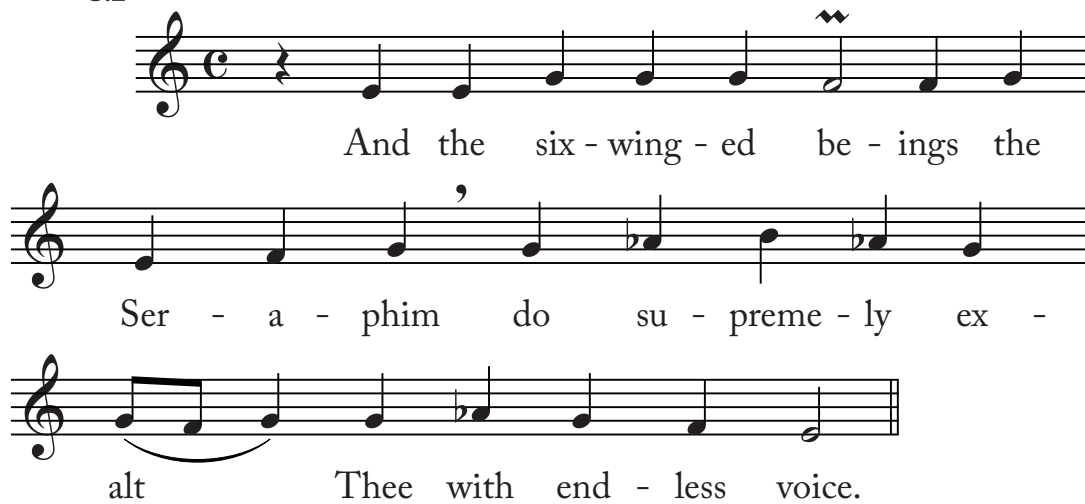
3.1



As a bod - i - less na - ture the
Cher - u - bim ev - er glo - ri - fy
Thee with un - ceas - ing hymns.

Detailed description: This musical section is written on three staves in treble clef with a common time signature (C). The melody begins with a quarter rest, followed by a sequence of quarter notes: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4. The second staff continues with quarter notes: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4. The third staff concludes with a half note G4, followed by a double bar line. A fermata is placed over the final G4 note in the second staff.

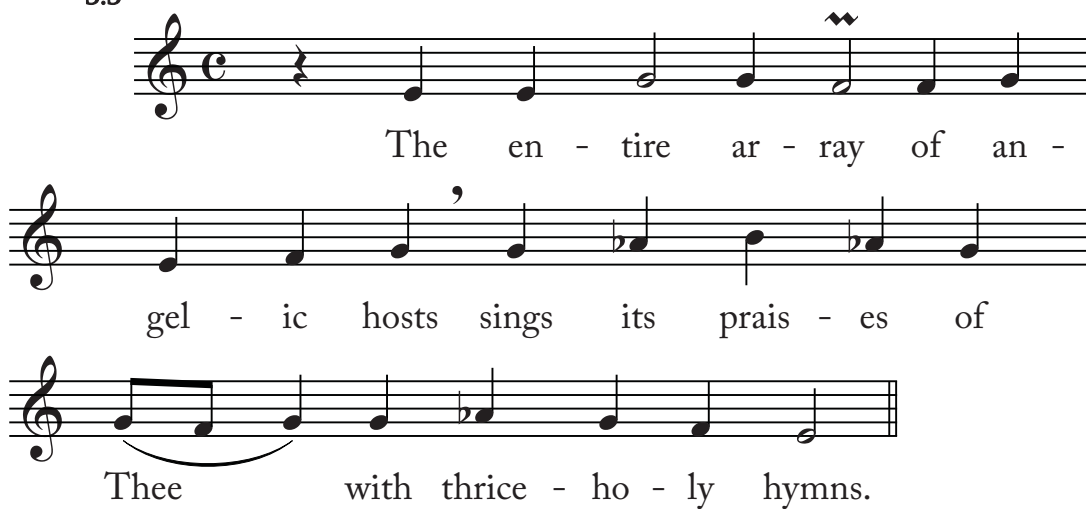
3.2



And the six - wing - ed be - ings the
Ser - a - phim do su - preme - ly ex -
alt Thee with end - less voice.

Detailed description: This musical section is written on three staves in treble clef with a common time signature (C). The melody begins with a quarter rest, followed by a sequence of quarter notes: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4. The second staff continues with quarter notes: G4, A4, B4, C5, B4, A4, G4. The third staff concludes with a half note G4, followed by a double bar line. A fermata is placed over the final G4 note in the second staff.

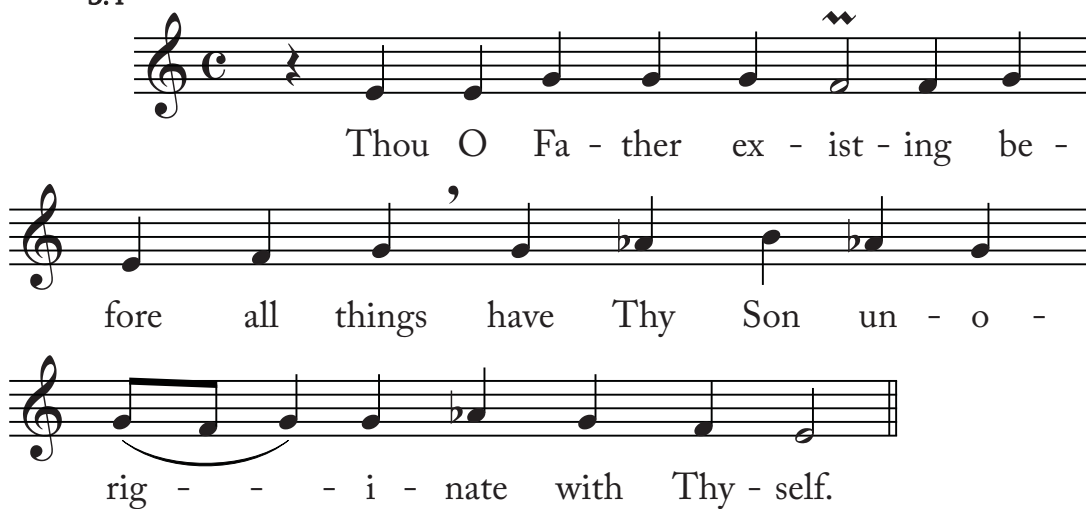
3.3



The en - tire ar - ray of an -
gel - ic hosts sings its prais - es of
Thee with thrice - ho - ly hymns.

Detailed description: This musical score is for hymn 3.3. It consists of three staves of music in a treble clef with a common time signature (C). The melody is written in a simple, hymn-like style. The lyrics are: "The en - tire ar - ray of an - gel - ic hosts sings its prais - es of Thee with thrice - ho - ly hymns." The first staff contains the first line of music and lyrics. The second staff contains the second line. The third staff contains the third line. There are some musical ornaments (wavy lines) above the notes for "an -" and "Thee".

3.4



Thou O Fa - ther ex - ist - ing be -
fore all things have Thy Son un - o -
rig - - i - nate with Thy - self.

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3.5



And the e - qual - ly hon - ored



Spir - it of Life Thou dost show that in -



sep' - - ra - ble are the Three.

3.6



O all - ho - ly and vir - gin



Moth - er of God and ye serv - ants and



wit - - - ness - es of the Word.

3.7



With the choirs of proph - ets and



mar - tyred saints all ye who en -



joy ev - er - last - ing life.

3.8



In - ter - cede in great earn - est on



our be - half in - as - much as we



all are in dire straits.

3.9



So that all of us freed now



from the de - ceit of the Dev - il may



sing the an - gel - ic hymn.

3.10

Slow



Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Thrice -



ho - ly Lord, have mer - cy on us and



save us. A - men.

THE NICENE CREED

ALL: I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible;

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, the Only-begotten, Begotten of the Father before all worlds, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, Begotten, not made; of one essence with the Father, by whom all things were made:

Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became man;

And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate, and suffered and was buried;

And the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures;

And ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of the Father;

And He shall come again with glory to judge the living and the dead, Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets;

And I believe in One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church.

I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins.

I look for the Resurrection of the dead, And the Life of the world to come. Amen.

INTERCEDE FOR US SINNERS

Tone 6. Heirmologic. [*Soft~Chromatic*]

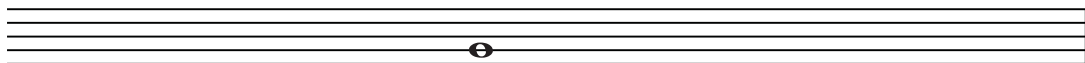
4.1



O all - ho - ly La - dy and The - o -



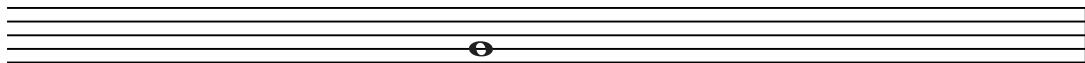
to - kos: In - ter - cede for us sin - ners.



O all ye heavenly powers, holy angels and archangels:



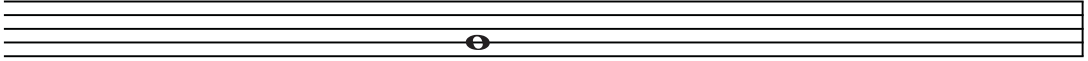
In - ter - cede for us sin - ners.



O holy John, Prophet and Forerunner and Baptist of our Lord Jesus Christ:



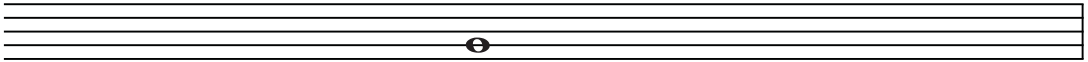
In - ter - cede for us sin - ners.



O holy, glorious apostles, prophets and martyrs, and all saints:



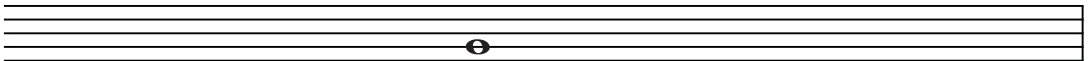
In - ter - cede for us sin - ners.



O ye, our venerable and God-bearing fathers, sheperds and ecumenical teachers:



In - ter - cede for us sin - ners.



O holy (N., patron saint of the church)



In - ter - cede for us sin - ners.

4.2



O in - vin - ci - ble and in - de -



struct - i - ble and di - vine pow - er of the



pre - cious and life - giv - ing Cross, do not a -



ban - don us sin - ners.

4.3



O God be gra - cious to us sin - ners.

4.4



O God be gra - cious to us sin - ners.

4.5



O God, be gra - cious to us sin - ners



and have mer - cy on us.



TRISAGION PRAYER

ALL: Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal: have mercy on us.
Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal: have mercy on us.
Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal: have mercy on us.

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

All-holy Trinity, have mercy on us. Lord cleanse us from our sins. Master, pardon our iniquities. Holy God, visit and heal our infirmities for thy Name's sake.

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

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

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

PRIEST: For thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit now and ever and unto ages of ages.

PEOPLE: Amen.

MONDAY AND WEDNESDAY TROPARIA

Tone 2. [*Soft~Chromatic*] arr. by David Jacobs

5.1



Light - en my eyes, O Christ



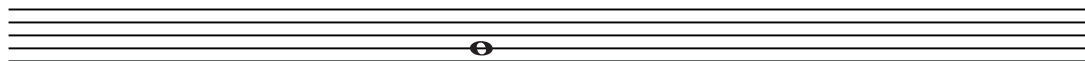
God, that I sleep not un - to death; lest mine



en - e - my says: I have pre - vailed



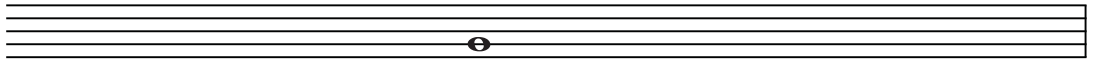
o - - - ver him.



Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

5.2

Be thou the De - fend - - er of my
soul, O God, for I walk a - midst a
mul - ti - tude of snares. De - liv - er
me from them and save me, O Good
One, for thou art the Lov - er of
man - - - kind.



Both now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

5.3



For ver - i - ly, we have no



bold - ness, for the mul - ti - tude of



our sins. There - fore, O Vir - gin The - o -



to - - - kos, fer - vent - ly en -



treat Him who was born of



thee; for the prayer of a moth - er a



vail - eth much to the good will of the



Mas - ter. De - spise not the sup - pli -

ca - tion of sin - ners, O All - re -
 vered one; for mer - ci - ful and
 might - y to save is He who gra - cious - ly
 deigned to suf - fer for us

The priest goes to the stands on the solea before the holy doors, facing east.

READER: Lord, have mercy. {12x}

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

More honorable than the cherubim and more glorious beyond compare than the seraphim, thou who without corruption bearest God the Word and art truly Theotokos: we magnify thee.

Bless, father, in the name of the Lord.

PRIEST: Through the prayers of our holy fathers, Lord Jesus Christ our God, have mercy upon us, and save us.

PEOPLE: Amen.

PRIEST: O Lord, Lord, who deliverest us from every arrow that flieth by day, deliver us also from everything that walketh in darkness. Receive the lifting up of our hands as an evening sacrifice. Vouchsafe us also to pass without reproach the course of the night untempted of evil things, and redeem us from every disturbance and dread that cometh to us from the devil. Grant unto our souls contrition and unto our thoughts care concerning the trial of thy fearful and righteous judgment. Nail our flesh to the fear of thee, and mortify our earthly members, that, even in the quietness of sleep, we may be illumined by the contemplation of thy judgments. Withdraw from us every unseemly fantasy and injurious desire. Raise us up at the time of prayer confirmed in the faith and progressing in thy commandments, through the favor and grace of thine only-begotten Son, with whom thou art blessed, together with thine all-holy and good and life-giving Spirit, now and ever, and unto ages of ages.

PEOPLE: Amen

READER: O come, let us worship and fall down before God our king.

O come, let us worship and fall down before Christ, our king and our God.

O come, let us worship and fall down before the Very Christ, our king and our God.

The priest goes to the stand with the chanters and readers.

Psalm 50 (51)

READER: Have mercy on me, O God, according to Thy great mercy: and according to the multitude of Thy tender mercies blot out mine iniquity. Wash me thoroughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. For I acknowledge mine iniquity: and my sin is ever before me. Against Thee only have I sinned and done evil in Thy sight: that Thou mightest be justified in Thy words, and prevail when Thou art judged. For behold, I was shapen in iniquity, and in sins did my mother conceive me. For behold, Thou hast loved truth: the unclear and hidden things of Thy wisdom Thou hast made clear to me. Thou shalt sprinkle me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; Thou shalt wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. Thou shalt make me to hear joy and gladness: the bones which Thou hast broken shall rejoice. Turn away Thy face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities. Create in me a clean heart, O God: and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence: and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation: and steady me with a guiding spirit. Then I will teach transgressors Thy ways: and the impious shall be converted unto Thee. Deliver me from blood-guiltiness, O God, Thou God of my salvation: and my tongue shall sing aloud of Thy righteousness. O Lord, open Thou my lips: and my mouth shall declare Thy praise. For hadst Thou desired sacrifice, I would have given it Thee: Thou delightest not in burnt offerings. Sacrifices to God are a contrite spirit: a contrite and humble heart, O God, Thou wilt not despise. Do good, O Lord, in Thy good will unto Zion: that the walls of Jerusalem may be built up. Then shalt Thou be pleased with a sacrifice of righteousness, with burnt offering and whole-burnt offerings: then shall they offer bullocks upon Thine altar.

Psalm 101 (102)

READER: O Lord, hear my prayer, and let my cry come unto Thee. Turn not Thy face away from me; in the day when I am afflicted, incline Thine ear unto me. In the day when I call upon Thee, quickly hearken unto me. For my days are vanished like smoke, and my bones consumed like wood for the burning. I am smitten like grass, and withered is my heart, for I forgot to eat my bread. By reason of the voice of my groaning, my bone hath cleaved unto my flesh. I am become like a pelican of the wilderness, I am like an owl in a ruined house. I have watched, and am like a sparrow that sitteth alone upon the house-top. The whole day long mine enemies reproached me, and they that praised me made an oath against me. For before the face of Thy wrath and Thine anger I ate ashes like bread, and my drink I mingled with weeping; for after uplifting me, Thou hast dashed me down. My days like a shadow have declined, and I like grass am withered. But Thou, O Lord, for ever abidest, and Thy remembrance is unto generation and generation. Thou shalt rise up and have pity upon Sion, for it is time to have compassion on her, yea, the time is come. For Thy servants have taken pleasure in her stones, and they shall feel pity for her dust. And the nations shall fear Thy name, O Lord, and all the kings of the earth Thy glory. For the Lord shall build up Sion, and He shall be seen in His glory. He hath regarded the prayer of the humble, and hath not despised their supplication. Let this be written for another generation, and the people that is being created shall praise the Lord. For He hath looked out from His holy height, the Lord from heaven hath looked upon the earth, to hear the groaning of them that be in fetters, to loose the sons

of the slain, to declare in Sion the name of the Lord, and His praise in Jerusalem, when the peoples are gathered together, and the kings to serve the Lord. He answered Him in the way of his strength: The fewness of my days declare unto me. Take me not away at the half of my days; in generations and generations are Thy years. In the beginning, O Lord, Thou didst lay the foundation of the earth, and the heavens are the works of Thy hands. They shall perish, but Thou abidest; and all like a garment shall grow old. And as a vesture shalt Thou fold them, and they shall be changed; but Thou art the same, and Thy years shall not fail. The sons of Thy servants shall have their dwelling, and their seed for ever shall be guided aright.

THE PRAYER OF MANASSES, KING OF JUDAH

The priest now stands before the icon of Christ on the iconostasis.

PRIEST: O Lord Almighty, thou God of our fathers, of Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, and of their righteous seed; who hast made heaven and earth with all the array thereof; who hast bound the sea by the word of thy command; who hast shut up the deep and sealed it by thy terrible and glorious name; whom all things fear, yea and before whose power they tremble; for the majesty of thy glory cannot be borne and the anger of thy threatening toward sinners is intolerable; and yet thy merciful promise is immeasurable and unsearchable; for thou art the Lord most high, of great compassion, long-suffering, abundant in mercy, and repentest of the evils against me. Thou, O Lord, according to thy great goodness, hast promised repentance and forgiveness to them that have sinned against thee; and of thine infinite mercies hast appointed repentance unto sinners, that they may be saved.

Thou, therefore, O Lord of hosts, has not appointed repentance to the just, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, who have not sinned against thee; but thou hast appointed repentance unto me, who am a sinner; for my sins are more in number than the sands of the sea. My transgressions, O Lord, are multiplied, my transgressions are multiplied, and I am not worthy to behold and look unto the height of heaven for the multitude of mine iniquities. I am bowed down with many iron bands, so that I cannot lift up my head by reason of my sins, neither have I any respite; for I have provoked thy wrath and done that which is evil before thee; I did not thy will, neither kept I thy commandments; I have set up abominations and multiplied detestable things.

The priest and all who are present now kneel for the remainder of the prayer.

PRIEST: Now, therefore, I bow the knee of my heart, beseeching thee for grace. I have sinned, O Lord, I have sinned, and I acknowledge mine iniquities: but I humbly beseech thee, forgive me, O Lord, forgive me, and destroy me not with mine iniquities. Be not angry with me for ever, by reserving my evils for me; neither condemn me to the lower parts of the earth; for thou, O Lord, art the God of them that repent; and in me wilt thou show all thy goodness; for thou wilt save me that am unworthy, according to thy great mercy. And I will praise thee henceforth all the days of my life; for all the hosts of heaven doth sing thy praise, and thine is the glory for ever and ever.

PEOPLE: Amen.

TRISAGION PRAYER

ALL: Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal: have mercy on us.
Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal: have mercy on us.
Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal: have mercy on us.

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

All-holy Trinity, have mercy on us. Lord cleanse us from our sins. Master, pardon our iniquities. Holy God, visit and heal our infirmities for thy Name's sake.

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

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

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

PRIEST: For thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit now and ever and unto ages of ages.

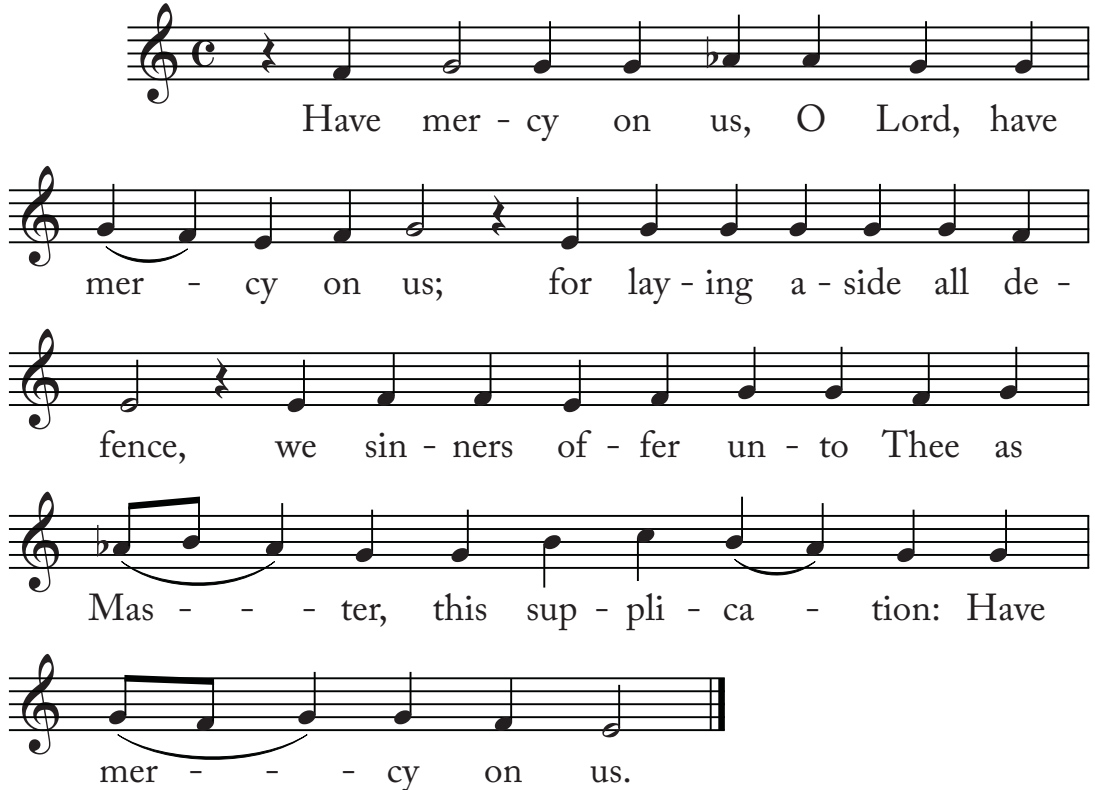
PEOPLE: Amen.

The clergy now enter the altar through south door.

TROPARIA OF CONTRITION

Tone 6. [*Soft~Chromatic*] arr. by David Jacobs

6.1



Have mer - cy on us, O Lord, have
mer - cy on us; for lay - ing a - side all de -
fence, we sin - ners of - fer un - to Thee as
Mas - - - ter, this sup - pli - ca - tion: Have
mer - - - cy on us.

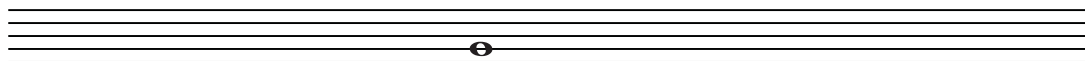
Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

6.2

O Lord, have mer - cy on us, for
in Thee have we put our trust; be not ex -
ceed - ing - ly wroth with us nor re - mem - ber
our in - i - qui - ties, but look down
up - on us e - ven now, as Thou art com
pas - - - sion - ate, and de - liv - er
us from our en - e - mies; for Thou art our

God, and we are Thy peo - ple; we are all
 the work of Thy hands, and we call up -
 on Thy name

The curtain and holy doors are now opened as the people sing the following.



Both now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

6.3

O - pen un - to us the door of thy com -
 pas - sion, O bles - sed The - o -
 to - - - kos. As we set our
 hope in thee, may we not be con -

found - ed; through thee may we be de -
 liv - ered from our ad - ver - si - ties, for
 thou art the sal - va - tion of the
 race of Chris - tians.

The priest stands on the solea before the holy doors, facing east.

READER: Lord, have mercy. {12x}

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

More honorable than the cherubim and more glorious beyond compare than the seraphim, thou who without corruption bearest God the Word and art truly Theotokos: we magnify thee.

Bless, father, in the name of the Lord.

PRIEST: Through the prayers of our holy fathers, Lord Jesus Christ our God, have mercy upon us, and save us.

PEOPLE: Amen

PRIEST: O Master God, Almighty Father, O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, and O Holy Spirit, one Godhead and one Power: Have mercy upon me a sinner; and by the judgments which thou hast established, save me, thine unworthy servant, for thou art blessed unto ages of ages.

PEOPLE: Amen.

O come, let us worship and fall down before God our king.

O come, let us worship and fall down before Christ, our king and our God.

O come, let us worship and fall down before the Very Christ, our king and our God.

The priest enters the sanctuary through the south door as the reader continues:

Psalm 69 (70)

READER: O God, be attentive unto helping me; O Lord, make haste to help me. Let them be shamed and confounded that seek after my soul. Let them be turned back and brought to shame that desire evils against me. Let them be turned back straightway in shame that say unto me: Well done! Well done! Let them be glad and rejoice in Thee all that seek after Thee, O God, and let them that love Thy salvation say continually: The Lord be magnified. But as for me, I am poor and needy; O God, come unto mine aid. My helper and my deliverer art Thou, O Lord; make no long tarrying.

Psalm 142 (143)

READER: Hear my prayer, O Lord; give ear to my supplications! In Thy faithfulness answer me, in Thy righteousness! Enter not into judgment with Thy servant; for no man living is righteous before Thee. For the enemy has pursued me; he has crushed my life to the ground; he has made me to sit in darkness as those long dead. Therefore my spirit faints within me; my heart within me is appalled. I remember the days of old, I meditate on all that Thou hast done; I muse on what Thy hands have wrought. I stretch out my hands to Thee; my soul thirsts for Thee like a parched land. Make haste to answer me, O Lord, my spirit fails! Hide not Thy face from me, lest I be like those who go down to the Pit. Let me hear in the morning of Thy steadfast love, for in Thee I put my trust. Teach me the way I should go, for to Thee I lift up my soul. Deliver me, O Lord, from my enemies! I have fled to Thee for refuge! Teach me to do Thy will, for Thou art my God! Let Thy Good Spirit lead me on a level path! For Thy Name's Sake, O Lord, preserve my life! In Thy righteousness bring me out of trouble! And in Thy steadfast love cut off my enemies, and destroy all my adversaries, for I am Thy servant.

*The priest stands before the holy table, facing east, as the people say
The Little Doxology on the following page.*

THE LITTLE DOXOLOGY

ALL: Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will among men.

We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory.

O Lord, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty; O Lord, the Only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit.

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For thou alone art holy, thou only art the Lord, Jesus Christ, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Every day will I bless thee and I will praise thy Name forever; yea, forever and ever.

Lord, thou hast been our refuge in all generations. I said: Lord be merciful unto me; heal my soul, for I have sinned against thee.

Lord, I have fled unto thee; teach me to do thy will, for thou art my God.

For with thee is the fountain of life; in thy light shall we see light.

O continue thy loving kindness unto them that that know thee.

Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this night without sin.

Blessed art thou, O Lord, God of our Fathers, and praised and glorified is thy name forever. Amen.

Let thy mercy be upon us, O Lord, as we do put our trust in thee.

Blessed art thou, O Lord; teach me thy statutes.

Blessed art thou, O Master; make me to understand thy commandments.

Blessed art thou, O Holy One; enlighten me with thy precepts.

Thy mercy, O Lord endureth forever. Despise not the works of thy hands.

To thee belongeth worship, to thee belongeth praise, to thee belongeth glory: to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

*On Monday through Thursday of the First week of Great Lent
the appointed section of the Great Canon of St. Andrew of Crete is inserted here,
followed by the Trisaigion prayer.*

While the people sing the following troparion, the priest does the great censing, exiting the sanctuary through the north door and entering through the south door. At the completion of the great censing the priest stands before the holy table, facing east.

O LORD OF HOSTS

Tone 6. [*Soft~Chromatic*] arr. by Bishop Basil (Essey)

7.1

O Lord of hosts, be with
,
us, for we have none oth - er
,
help, none oth - er help in
times of sor - - - row but
,
thee; O Lord of hosts, have
mer - - - - cy on us.

PRIEST: Praise ye God in his saints; praise him in the firmament of his power.

ALL: “O Lord of hosts...”

PRIEST: Praise him for his mighty acts, praise him according to the multitude of his greatness.

ALL: “O Lord of hosts...”

PRIEST: Praise him with the sound of the trumpet, praise him with the psaltery and harp.

ALL: “O Lord of hosts...”

PRIEST: Praise him with timbrel and dance, praise him with strings and flute.

ALL: “O Lord of hosts...”

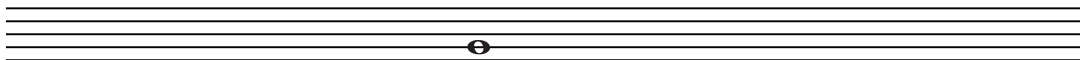
PRIEST: Praise him with tuneful cymbals, praise him with cymbals of jubilation. Let ever breath praise the Lord.

ALL: “O Lord of hosts...”

PRIEST: Praise ye God in his saints; praise him in the firmament of his power.

ALL: “O Lord of hosts...”

Troparion in Tone 6. [*Soft~Chromatic*] arr. by David Jacobs



Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

8.1



Were not Thy saints our in - ter -



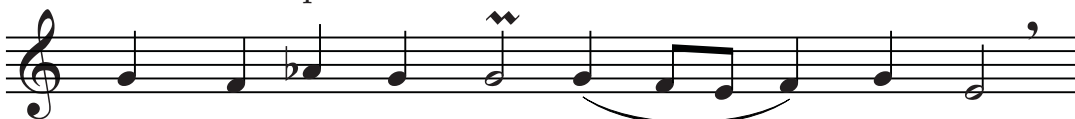
ces - sors, O Lord, and Thy good - ness com -



pas - sion - ate toward us. How could we have



dared to praise Thee, O Sav - ior



whom the an - gels bless cease - - - less - ly?



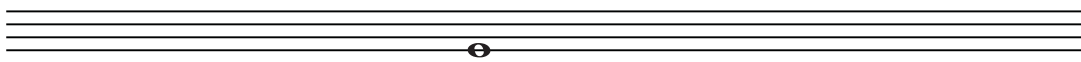
Where - fore, O Thou who know - est the



se - cret things of the heart, spare



our souls.



Both now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.



Great - ly have mine in - iq - ui - ties



mul - ti - plied, O The - o - to - - - kos.



Where - fore, I take ref - uge in thee, O



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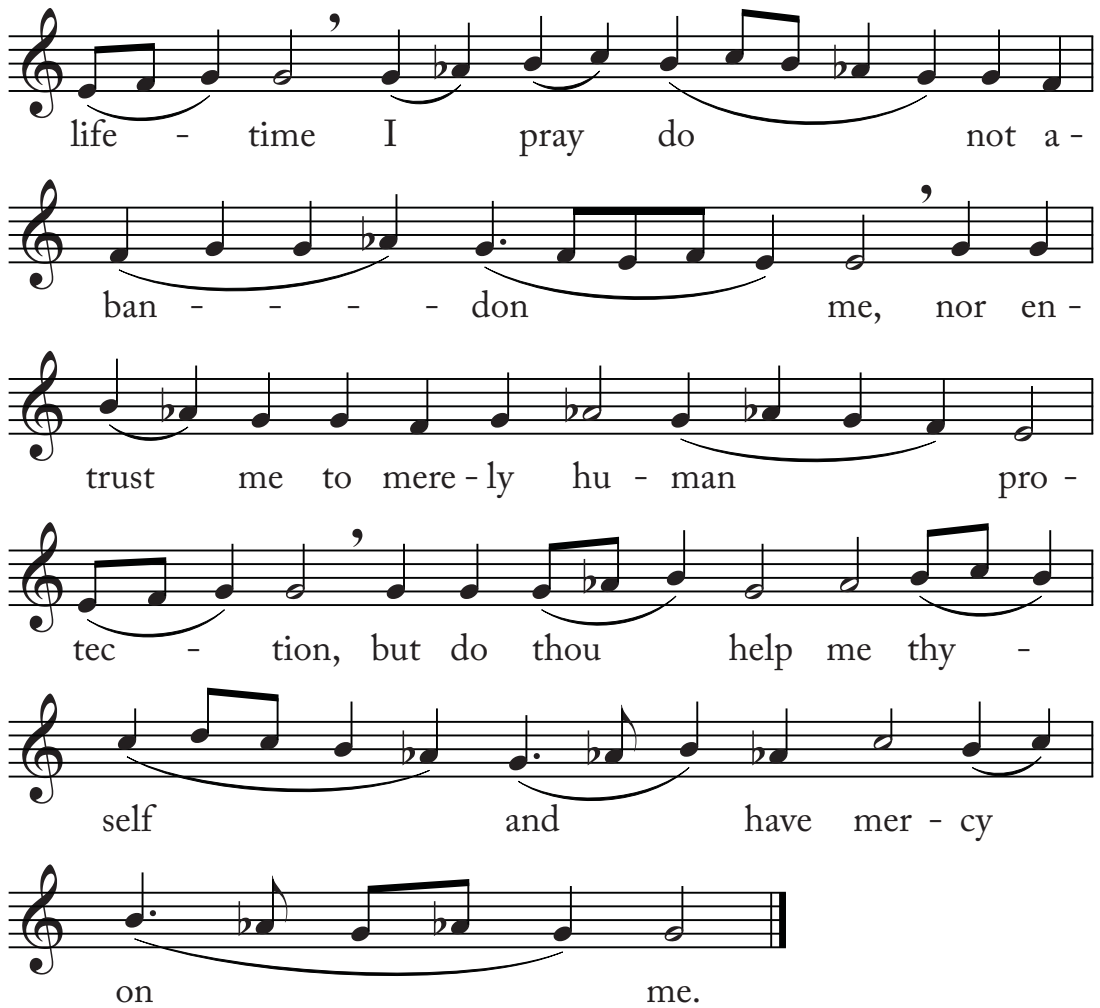
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O ALL HOLY THEOTOKOS

Tone 2. [*Soft~Chromatic*] arr. by Fr. Seraphim Dedes

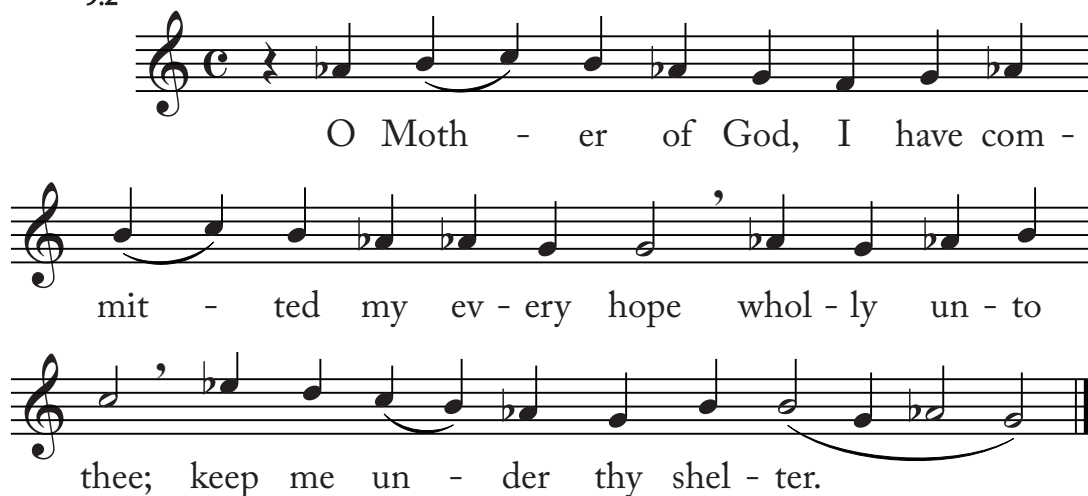
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tec - tion, but do thou help me thy -
self and have mer - cy
on me.

9.2



O Moth - er of God, I have com -
 mit - ted my ev - ery hope whol - ly un - to
 thee; keep me un - der thy shel - ter.

READER: Lord have mercy. {12x}

Thou who, at all times and at every hour, both in heaven and on earth art worshiped and glorified, O Christ God, long-suffering, plenteous in mercy and compassion, who lovest the just and showest mercy to sinners, who callest all men to salvation through the promise of good things to come: Do thou, the same Lord, receive also our supplications at this present hour, and direct our lives according to thy commandments. Sanctify our souls; purify our bodies; set aright our minds; cleanse our thoughts; and deliver us from all calamity, wrath and distress. Compass us round about with thy holy angels; that, guided and guarded by their host, we may attain unto the unity of the faith, and unto the comprehension of thine ineffable glory. For blessed art thou unto ages of ages. Amen.

Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy.

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

More honorable than the cherubim and more glorious beyond compare than the seraphim, thou who without corruption bearest God the Word and art truly Theotokos: We magnify thee.

Bless, father, in the name of the Lord.

PRIEST: May God have compassion upon us and bless us; may he show the light of his countenance upon us and be merciful unto us.

PEOPLE: Amen.



THE PRAYER OF SAINT EPHRAIM THE SYRIAN

PRIEST: O Lord and Master of my life, take from me the spirit of sloth, despair, lust of power and idle talk. [*prostration*]

But give rather the spirit of chastity, humility, patience and love to thy servant. [*prostration*]

Yea, O Lord and king, grant me to see my own sins and not to judge my brother, for thou art blessed unto ages of ages. Amen. [*prostration*]

O God, be gracious unto me, a sinner. [*metania*] {12x}

O Lord and Master of my life, take from me the spirit of sloth, despair, lust of power and idle talk.

But give rather the spirit of chastity, humility, patience and love to thy servant.

Yea, O Lord and king, grant me to see my own sins and not to judge my brother, for thou art blessed unto ages of ages. Amen. [*prostration*]

With exception of the FIRST WEEK of Great Lent, the priest closes the holy doors and curtain and exits the sanctuary through the north door, and comes to stand on the solea before the holy doors, facing east, as the people say the Trisagion prayer.

PEOPLE: Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal: have mercy on us.
Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal: have mercy on us.
Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal: have mercy on us.

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

All-holy Trinity, have mercy on us. Lord cleanse us from our
sins. Master, pardon our iniquities. Holy God, visit and heal
our infirmities for thy Name's sake.

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

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

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name; thy
kingdom come; thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not
into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

PRIEST: For thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, of the
Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit now and ever
and unto ages of ages.

PEOPLE: Amen.

Lord have mercy. {12x}

Most holy Theotokos, save us.

Facing the icon of the Theotokos on the iconostasis, the priest says:

PRIEST: O Lady, Bride of God, spotless, blameless, pure and immaculate Virgin, thou who without corruption, by thy glorious birth-giving, hast united God the Word to man, and joined the fallen nature of our race to heavenly things; who alone art the hope of the hopeless, the help to those who do battle; the ready help of those who flee unto thee, and the refuge of all Christians: Despise me not, an accursed sinner, though I have rendered myself unworthy by my shameful thoughts, words and deeds, and through indolence have become a slave to the pleasure of life; but as the Mother of the God who lovest mankind, mercifully have compassion upon me, a sinner and a prodigal, and receive my prayer, though it be offered unto thee by unworthy lips; and using thy boldness as a mother, entreat thy Son, our Lord and Master, that he may open to me also the tender compassions of his goodness, so as to overlook my numberless transgressions and turn me to repentance and show me forth as a zealous doer of his commandments. And because thou art merciful, compassionate and full of lovingkindness, be thou ever near me in this present life as an ardent help and protection, defending me from the assaults of adversaries and leading me to salvation. And at the time of my departure from this life, care for my miserable soul and drive far from it the dark visions of evil demons; and in the fearful day of judgment, deliver me from eternal punishment, and present me as an inheritor of the ineffable glory of thy Son, our God.

May this be my lot, O Lady, most holy Theotokos, through thy mediation and help, through the grace and love toward mankind of thine only-begotten Son, our Lord and God and Saviour Jesus Christ, to whom are due all glory, honor and worship, with his unoriginated Father and his all-holy and good and life-giving Spirit, now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Facing the icon of Christ on the iconostasis, the priest says:

PRIEST: And grant unto us, O Master, when we depart to sleep, repose of body and soul; and protect us from the murky sleep of sin and from all the dark pleasures of the night. Calm the impulses of passions, and quench the fiery darts of evil which are craftily thrown against us; check the turbulence of our flesh, and still all earthly and material thoughts. And grant us, O God, a watchful mind, a prudent reason, a vigilant heart, a tranquil sleep free from all the fantasies of Satan. Raise us up again at the time of prayer strengthened in thy commandments, holding steadfastly within us the remembrance of thy judgments. Grant us grace to glorify thee all through the night, that we may praise and bless and glorify thine all-honorable and majestic name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Facing the icon of the Theotokos on the iconostasis, the priest says:

PRIEST: O most glorious, ever-virgin, blessed Theotokos, present our prayer to thy Son our God, and intercede with him that through thee he may save our souls.

Standing before the holy doors, facing east, the priest says:

PRIEST: The Father is my Hope; the Son is my Refuge; the Holy Spirit is my Protection; O Holy Trinity: Glory to thee.

In thee, O Mother of God, I place all my hope: keep me under thy protection.



*During the FIRST WEEK of Great Lent,
the appointed gospel reading is now chanted by the priest from the holy doors.*

PRIEST: And that we may be accounted worthy to hear the holy gospel, let us beseech the Lord our God.

PEOPLE: *G* *E*
Lord have mer - cy, Lord have mer - cy, Lord have mer - cy.

PRIEST: Wisdom. Stand upright. Let us hear the holy gospel. Peace be to all.

PEOPLE: *G*
And to thy spir - it.

PRIEST: The reading is from the holy gospel according to Saint (Matthew, Mark, or Luke)

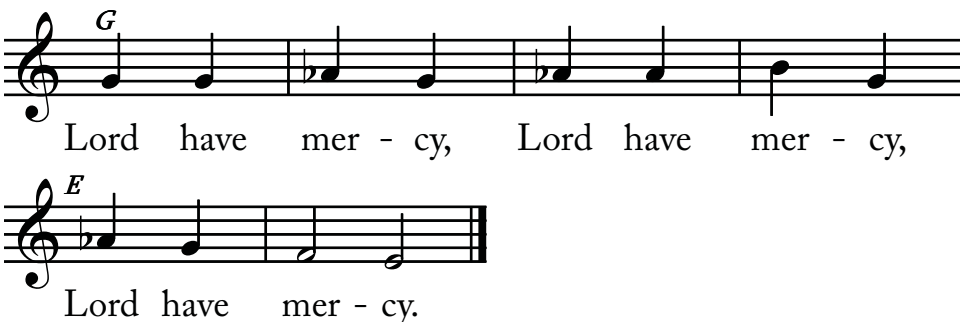
PEOPLE: *G*
Glo - ry to Thee, O Lord, Glo - ry to Thee.

The priest chants the gospel from the holy doors.

PEOPLE: *G*
Glo - ry to Thee, O Lord, Glo - ry to Thee.

If there has been a gospel reading the priest or bishop immediately gives the peace.

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

PEOPLE: 


Turning to face the people, the priest blesses them, saying:

PRIEST: Peace be to all.

PEOPLE: 

Turning to face the east, the priest says:

PRIEST: Let us bow our heads unto the Lord.

PEOPLE: 

The people prostrate as the priest bows low and says the following prayer:

PRIEST: O Master, great in mercy, Lord Jesus Christ our God, through the intercessions of our all-immaculate Lady Theotokos and ever-virgin Mary; by the might of the precious and life giving Cross; by the protection of the honorable, glorious Prophet, Forerunner and Baptist John; of the holy, glorious and all-laudable Apostles; of the holy, glorious and right victorious martyrs; of our venerable and God-bearing fathers; of *{N., patron saint of the church}*, of the holy and righteous ancestors of God, Joachim and Anna; of *{N., the saint of the day}* whose memory we celebrate and of all thy saints:

Make our prayer acceptable;

PEOPLE: Amen. *{Chanted or said after each petition}*

PRIEST: Grant us forgiveness of our trespasses;

Shelter us under the shelter of thy wings;

Drive away from us every enemy and adversary;

Give peace to our life.

O Lord, have mercy on us and on thy world and save our souls, for thou art a merciful God and lovest mankind.

Standing before the holy doors, facing east, the priest makes three metanias, saying:

PRIEST: O God be gracious unto me, a sinner, and have mercy on me. {3x}

Turning then to the west, he bows to the people, saying:

PRIEST: Forgive me a sinner.

PEOPLE: God forgive thee, holy father.

*Still facing west, the priest says the following petitions as the people respond saying
or singing Lord have mercy.*

PRIEST: Let us pray for peace of the world

PEOPLE: Lord have mercy. *{Chanted or said after each petition}*

PRIEST: And for pious and Orthodox Christians:

And for our *{metropolitan or archbishop or bishop}* and all our
brotherhood in Christ:

And for the civil authorities of this land:

And for the welfare of our armed forces:

And for our fathers and brethren absent from among us:

And for those who hate us and those who love us:

And for those who are kind to us and minister unto us:

And for those who have requested our prayers, unworthy though we be:

And for the deliverance of captives:

And for travelers by land and sea and air:

And for those who lie in sickness:

And let us pray also for abundance of the fruits of the earth:

And for the soul of every Orthodox Christian:

Let us bless God-fearing leaders, Orthodox bishops, the founders of this holy church and our parents and teachers, and all our fathers and brethren gone before us, the Orthodox who here and everywhere lie asleep in the Lord:

Let us also say for ourselves:

PEOPLE: Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy.

Turning to face the east, the priest says the following prayer:

PRIEST: Forgive, O Lord, those who hate us and those who oppress us. Act kindly toward those who themselves act kindly, and grant our brethren and all those who belong to us all the means of salvation and of eternal life. Visit those who are in infirmity, and grant them healing. Direct those who are at sea; be with those who are on land and in the air. Grant those who serve us and are merciful to us forgiveness of sins; and upon those who have asked for us to pray for them, have mercy according to thy great mercy. Remember, O Lord, those of our fathers and brethren who have fallen asleep before us. Grant them repose where the light of thy countenance shineth. Remember, O Lord, our brethren who are in captivity and deliver them from every adverse circumstance. Remember, O Lord, those who bear fruit and do good works in thy holy churches, and grant them all the means of salvation and of eternal life. Remember us, also, thy sinful, wretched and unworthy servants, and lead us in the way of thy commandments, through the intercessions of thine all-immaculate Mother, our Lady Theotokos and ever-virgin Mary and of all thy saints, for thou art blessed unto ages of ages.

PEOPLE: Amen.

As the faithful go forward to reverence the icon of the Theotokos, receive the blessing of the priest or bishop, and kiss his right hand, the chanters sing the following:

Tone 2. “When he took Thee”

Monday and Wednesday evenings.

(Music on page 74)

All those who for refuge flee with faith* unto thee O good one thou dost shelter* beneath thy mighty hand.* We thy servants have no other intercessor like thee,* always praying to God for us* in dangers and sorrows,* sinners that we are bent down because of many misdeeds.* Therefore, we fall prostrate before thee.* Rescue us from ev’ry affliction,* since thou art the Mother of the Most High God.

Tone 1. “O Martyrs Extolled”

Tuesday and Thursday evenings.

(Music on page 76)

On seeing Thine unjust slaughter, O Christ*, Thy pure Mother cried in grief:* O most sweet child, how is it that Thou diest lawlessly? How is it that Thou, who* hast suspended all the earth* upon the floods of waters, art now Thyself suspended from the Tree? O most merciful Benefactor,* do not leave me, Thy Mother and handmaid alone.

PRIEST: Through the prayers of our holy fathers, Lord Jesus Christ our God, have mercy on us and save us.

PEOPLE: Amen.

THEOTOKION

Tone 2. [*Soft Chromatic*] ~ arr. by Fr. Seraphim Dedes

When he took Thee / Ὅτε ἐκ τοῦ ξύλου Σε νεκρόν

All those who for refuge flee with
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F Most High God. *G*



STAVRO-THEOTOKION

Tone 1. [*O Martyrs Extolled*] arr. by David Jacobs

Chanted on Tuesday and Thursday Evenings of Great Lent.

And on Monday and Tuesday Evenings of Holy Week.

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On see - ing Thine un -
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 tor, do not leave me, Thy Moth - er and
 hand - - - maid a - lone.

