

January 11th

After-Feast of Theophany (Epiphany)

Stichera at the Aposticha at Vespers

Byzantine Chant Tone/Mode 4
Special Melody: *Unto them that fear thee*

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E Un. E

1) See, I wear thine im - age, which I formed, be - cause I a -

Un. E

-base My - self such as no mind can un - der - stand; so

G E

spake the Lord un - to John. Why, friend, is it strange_ then

if I bow be - neath thy right hand as if I were one of

thy fel - low ser - vants, and if My na - ked form is

cov - ered with the wa - ters? For, since I am mer - ci - ful,

G E

I de - sire to clothe na - ked man with di - vine

in - cor - rup - tion for ev - er - more.

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Verse: The sea beheld and fled, Jordan turned back.

2) Thou was seen in - carn - ate, yet the womb that bare Thee was

not con - sumed; for the fur - nace in Bab - y - lon por -

-trayed this from long be - fore, burn - ing not the Chil - dren.

But since I am grass, how shall I now dare to touch the Fire,

and how, O Mas - ter, to lay my hand on Thee, at

Whom all things in Heav - en and up - on thē earth trem - ble

sore with fear, O my Je - sus, Al - might - y Lord,

Thou di - vine Sav - ior of our souls?

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Verse: What aileth thee, O sea, that thou fleddest? And thou Jordan, that thou didst turn back?

E **Un.** **E**

3) Wash Me in the wa - ters of the Jor - dan, though I am

Un. **E**

un - de - filed and have no kind of stain at all; so

G **E**

spake the Lord un - to John. Here - by, man - kind's na - ture,

which by the trans - ges - sion of Ad - am had be - come de - filed,

shall be washed clean and shall be made new a - gain; for

as I now am bap - tized, the re - gen - er - a - tion of

G **E**

them that fell is ac - com - plished through wa - ter and

through the Spir - it for all man - kind.