

November 30th

The Holy Apostle Andrew the First-Called

Stichera at the Aposticha at Vespers

Byzantine Chant Tone 5
Special Melody: Rejoice

Adapted by Dn. John El Massih



1) Re - joice, _____ thou heav - en gift - ed with speech,
2) *Find - ing the First of all _____ things de - sired,*
3) Thou didst catch in the net _____ of thy words



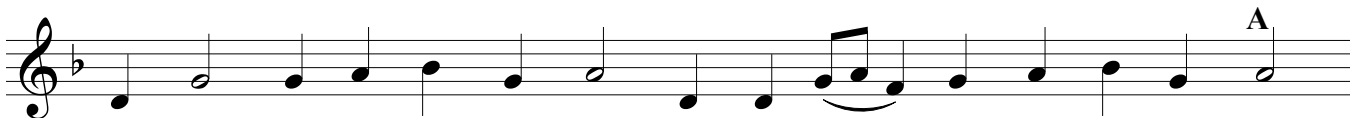
ev - er de - clar - ing the di - vine _____ glo - ry of our God;
clothed with our na - ture for His bound - less com - pas - sion's sake,
and sa - cred or - a - cles the na - tions that knew not God



the first who o - beyed with fer - vor the Sav - ior Christ when he called
O An - drew of god - ly mind, through all fier - y long - ing and love
from out of the deep of ig - no - rance, O thou man of re - nown;



and didst straight - way join _____ thy - self to him with zeal.
with Him thou wast min - gled, _____ and thou didst cry out
and the brin - y seas _____ thou _____ trou - blest to the depths,

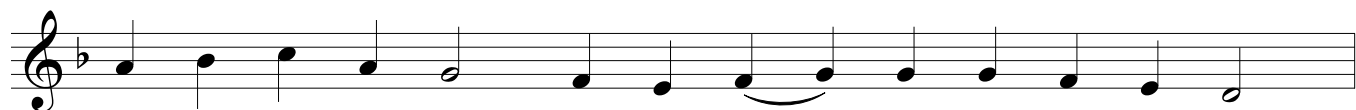


And set all a - flame by Him, thou wast seen _____ as a sec - ond light
to thy broth - er, speak - ing thus: We have found Him that was pro - claimed
since thou art a fore - most horse of the Sov - 'reign Lord of the sea;



that with thy light - nings didst en - light - en those in the dark,
by all the Proph - ets in the Spir - it; come let us then
and thou hast dried up the pu - tres - cence of god - less - ness,

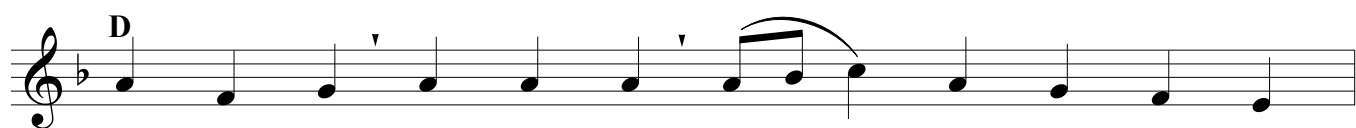
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im - i - tat - ing thus His great good - ness and love for man.
cap - ti - vate our soul and our mind with His come - li - ness,
 cast - ing there - in - to thy great wis - dom as pre - cious salt,



Where - fore, O An - drew, we ob - serve thine all - ho - ly fes - ti - val,
that be - ing bright - ly guid - ed by His shin - ings, we might drive off
 at which they were a - ston - ished with the great - est a - ston - ish - ment,



and in all glad - ness, we rev - 'rence thy rel - i -
the night of false - hood and er - ror and the deep
 they who clave shame - less - ly un - to a wis - dom



-quary - y in pi - e - ty, whence thou o - ver flow - est
dark - ness of ig - no - rance, while bless - ing Christ Je - sus,
 fool - ish and void of sense, O glo - rious A - pos - tle,



with sal - va - tion and great mer - cy for them that ask of thee.
Who be - stow - eth His great mer - cy and peace up - on the world.
 for the knew not Christ, Who grant - eth great mer - cy to the world.