

After "God is the Lord" sing the Troparion of the Fathers as in Vespers on page 58 or 59.

Now sing the Katabasiae from the Canon of the Nativity of Christ as on pages 61 through 68.

Now sing the Exaposteilaria of the Resurrection, followed by the Exaposteilaria of the Forefathers in Tone 2 as on page 69 and another on page 70.

Continue through to the "Praises," then sing four (4) for the Resurrection in the Tone of the week and four (4) Prosomia for the Forefathers in Tone 2 as on page 71 and 72.

Then sing the "Glory" in Tone 7, starting on the bottom of page 72 and continuing through pages 73 and 74.

Then sing "Both now" as on the bottom of page 74 and the Theotokion on pages 74 and 75.

Then sing the Doxology from the Byzantine Matins Project by Kazan on page 230.

FOR THE LITURGY

Sing the Troparion of the Resurrection in the Tone of the week, and the Troparion of the Forefathers which is on page 58 (in Tone 2) or page 59 (in Tone 4).

The Kontakion is that of the Pre-Feast of the Nativity of Christ in Tone 3 on page 76.

Ode 1

Ison
Christ is born, glo - fi - fy him. Christ hath
come from the heav - ens, re - ceive him.
Christ is on earth, el - e - vate him. Sing un - to the
Lord, all thē earth; and ye na - tions
praise him with joy; for he hath been
glo - ri - fied.

Ode 3

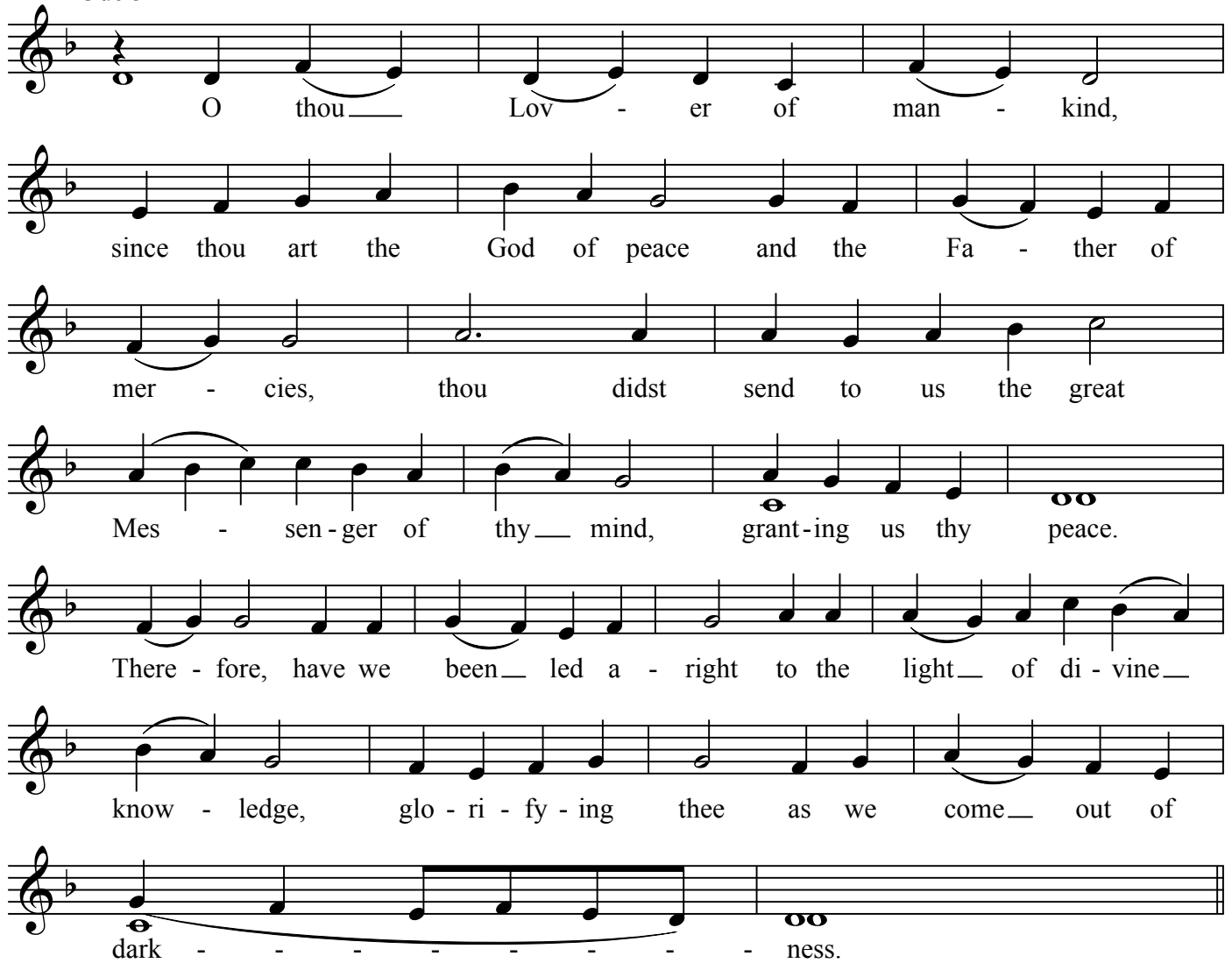
Let us cry un - to the Son, born of the
Fa - ther be - fore thē a - ges with - out tran - sub - stan - ti -
a - tion, Christ God who hath been in - car - nate

in these last days of the Vir - gin, with - out
seed, shout - - ing, O thou who hath el - e -
- vat - ed our state, thou art ho - ly, O Lord.

Ode 4

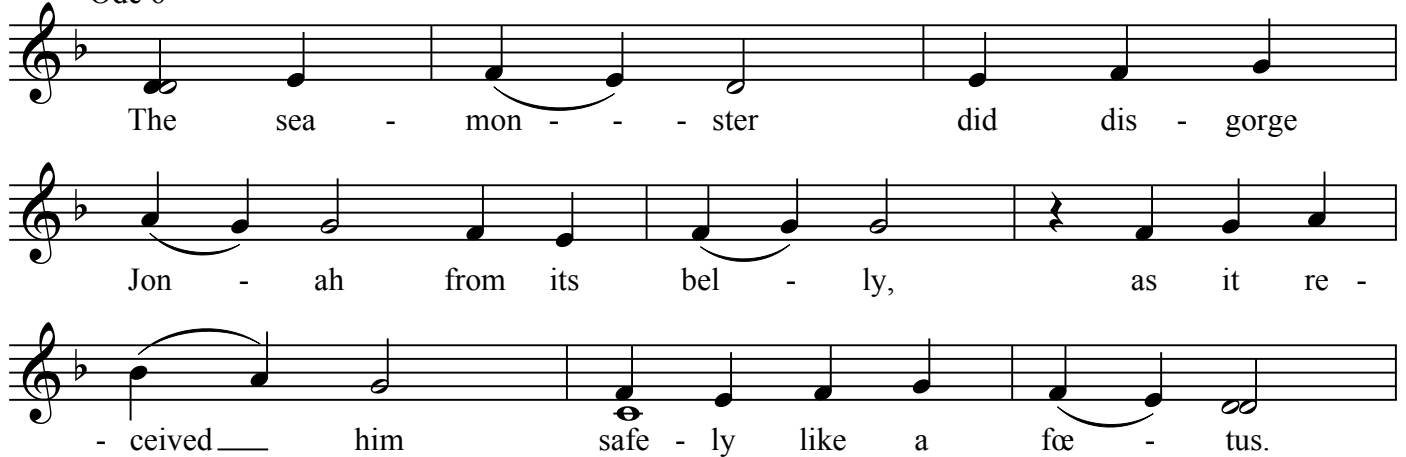
O praised Christ, a stem hath
come out of Jes - se, and from it hath
sprout - ed a Flow'r from a dense and sha - dowed
moun - tain, O im - ma - ter - i - al God,
com - ing in - car - nate from the Vir - gin that hath
not known man. Glo - - - ry,
there - fore, to thy might, O Lord.

Ode 5



O thou Lov - er of man - kind,
since thou art the God of peace and the Fa - ther of
mer - cies, thou didst send to us the great
Mes - sen - ger of thy mind, grant - ing us thy peace.
There - fore, have we been led a - right to the light of di - vine
know - ledge, glo - ri - fy - ing thee as we come out of
dark - ness.

Ode 6



The sea - mon - ster did dis - gorge
Jon - ah from its bel - ly, as it re -
ceived him safe - ly like a fœ - tus.

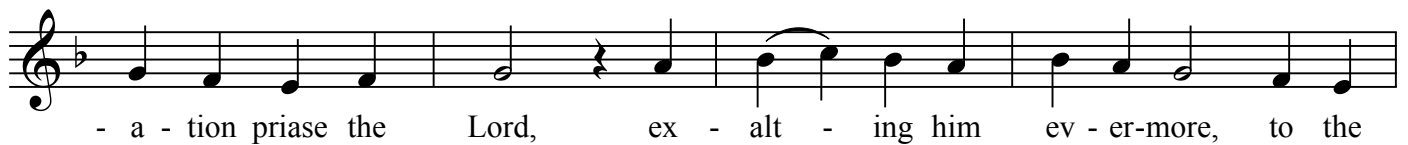
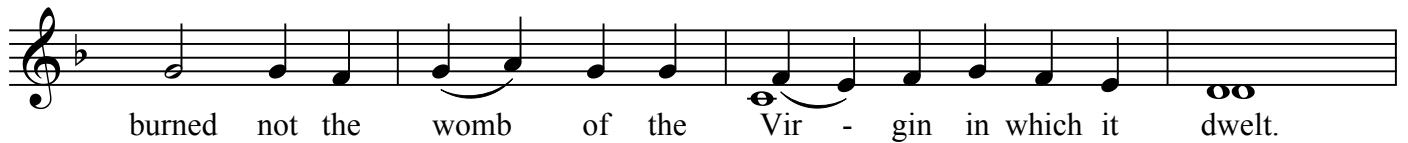
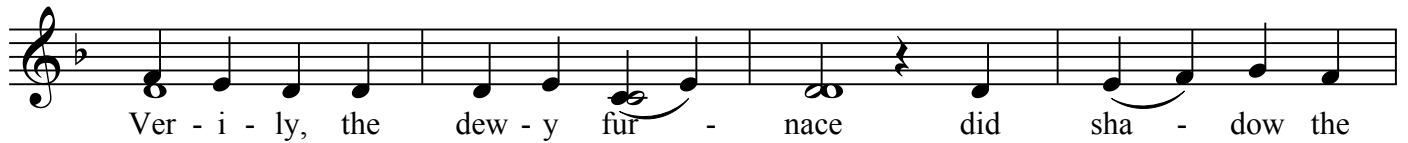
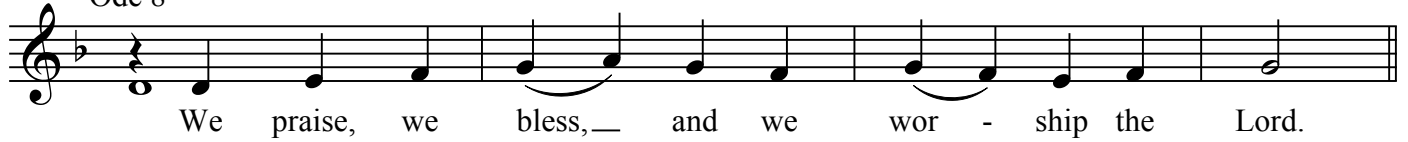
As for the Word, when he dwelt in the
Vir - gin, tak - ing from her a bod -
- y, he was born, pre - serv - ing her with -
- out cor - rup - tion, and with - out tran - sub - stan - ti -
- a - tion, pre - serv - ing his Moth - er with - - -
- out harm.

Ode 7

The youths hav - ing grown to - geth - er in true
wor - ship, de - spis - ing the com - mand of the in - fi -
- del, were not dis - mayed by the threat of fire; but were
sing - ing as they stood in the midst of the flames:



Ode 8



Priest: The Theotokos and Mother of the Light, let us honour and magnify in song.

Verse 1 Very Fast

My soul doth mag - ni - fy the Lord, and my spir - it

Slow

hath re - joiced in God my Sav - - - iour.

After singing each of the six (6) Verses, sing the following Refrain.

Refrain

More___ hon' ra - ble than the Cher - u - bim, and more

glo - - ri - - ous be - yond com -

- pare___ than the Ser - a - phim, thou___ who with -

- out___ stain bar - est God the Word, and art

tru - ly The - o - to - kos, we mag - ni - fy___ thee.

Verse 2 Very Fast

For he hath re - gard - ed the low - li - ness of his hand - maid - en;

Slow

for be - hold from hence - forth all gen - er - a - tions shall call me bless - ed.

Refrain

Verse 3 Very Fast



For he that is might - y hath mag - ni - fied me, and ho - ly is his Name;

Slow

Refrain



and his mer - cy is on them that fear him, through - out all gen - er - a - tions.

Verse 4 Very Fast



He hath shown strength with his arm; he hath scat - tered the proud in

Slow

Refrain



thē im - ag - in - a - tion of their _____ hearts.

Verse 5 Very Fast



He hath put down the might - y from their seat, and hath ex - alt - ed the hum - ble and meek.

Slow

Refrain



He hath filled the empty with good things, and the rich hath he sent emp - ty a - way.

Verse 6 Very Fast



He re - mem - ber - ing his mer - cy hath hol - pen his ser - vant Is - ra - el,

Slow

Refrain



as he prom - ised to our fore - fa - thers, A - bra - ham and his seed for - ev - er.

Ode 9

Mag-ni - fy, — O my soul, her who is more — hon-ra - ble and more ex -
- alt - ed in glo - ry than the heav - en - ly hosts.
I be - hold a strange and won - der - ful
mys - ter - y; the cave a heav - en, the
Vir - gin a Che - ru - - - bic throne, and the
man - ger a no - ble place in which hath lain
Christ — the un - con - tained — God. Let us,
there - - fore, praise and mag - ni - fy —
him.

Sing the Exaposteilarion for the Resurrection in the Tone of the week, then the following.

Ison
Let us come to geth - - - er,
O lov - ers of the Fa - - -
- thers, re - joic - ing in the
mem - - - o - - - ry of the
Fa - - - thers, prais - ing as is meet
A - - - bra - ham, I - - - saac, and
Ja - cob from whom Christ was seen to
come in the flesh
for thē a - bund - ance of his com -
- pas - - - sion.

Let us laud Ad - am and A - - - bel,
Seth and E - - - nos, E - noch,
No - ah, A - - bra - ham, I - saac, and
Ja - - - cob; Mo - ses, Job, and
Aar - - - on, El - - e - a - - - zar,
Josh - u - a, Bar - - - ak, Sam - son,
Jeph - - - thah, Da - - - vid, and
Sol - - - o - - - mon.

*Now sing the Praises: four (4) for the Resurrection in the Tone of the week,
and the following four (4) Prosomia for the Forefathers in Tone 2.*

Verse 5 Fast

Slow

Praise him with the tim - brel and dance,

praise__ him with the
stringed__ in - stru - ments and or - - gans.

Prosomion 1 - Special Melody: *O House of Ephratha*

Let us all cel - e - brate the__ mem - - - o - ry

of the re - vered__ fore - fa - thers, ex - tol - - - ling

their__ lives by which they were__ made__ great.

Verse 6 Fast

Praise him up-on the loud cym-bals, praise him up-on the high sound-ing cym-bals; let

ev' - ry thing that hath breath__ praise the__ Lord.

Repeat Prosomion 1: "Let us all celebrate..."

Verse 7 Fast

Slow

A-rise, O my God, lift up thine hand, and for - get__ not the hum - ble.

Ver - - - - i - ly, the__ youths__ did put

down the pow'r__ of fire

stand - ing in the midst of the fur - nace
and prais - ing God the Al - mighty - y.

Verse 8 Fast

I will praise thee, O Lord, with my whole heart; I will
show all thy mar - vel - ous works.

Prosomion 4

And Dan - iel the Proph - - - et
when he was locked in the den, liv - ing
with the beasts, did ap - pear
safe, not harmed by their mis - chief.

Glory

Glo - - - ry to the Fa - - - ther and
to the Son and to the
Ho - - - ly Spir - - - it.

Slowly

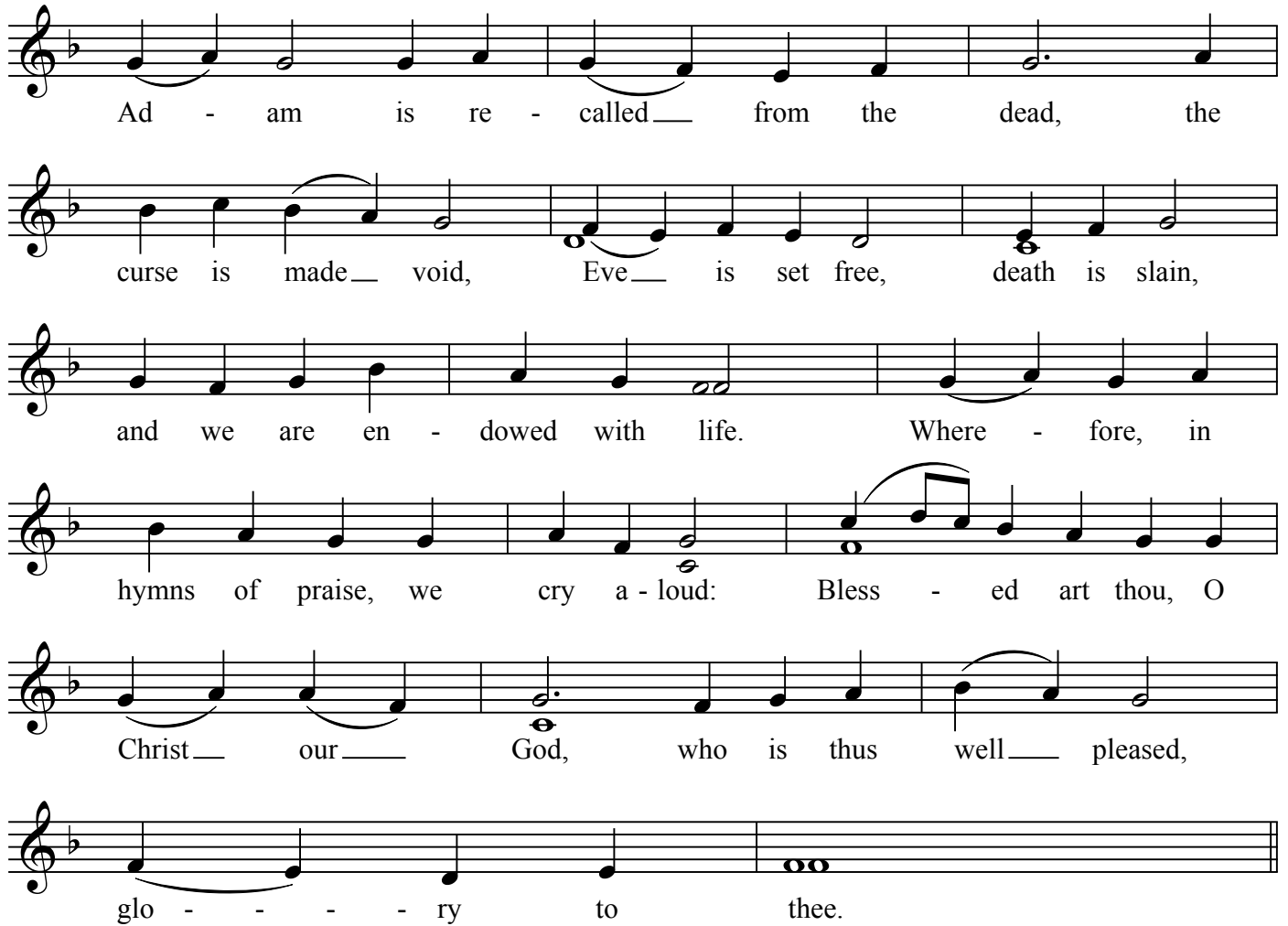


Come, _____ let us all _____ cel - e - brate
the an - ni - ver - sa - - - ry of their _____
mem - o - ry, _____ the an - ni - ver - sa -
- ry of the Fa - thers be - fore the _____ law: _____
A - bra - ham and those _____ with him. Let us hon - or
meet - ly the tribe _____ of Ju - dah, and
praise the _____ youths who were _____ in _____ Bab - y - lon, _____
who put _____ down the flames _____ of the fur - - - nace;
for they fore - shad - owed the Trin - - - i -
- ty, and with them _____ Dan - - - iel. And

hold - ing stead - fast - ly the fore - say - ings of the
 Proph - - - et, Let us shout with a loud
 voice with I - sai - ah, say - ing, Be - hold the
 Vir - - - gin shall con - ceive in the womb and give
 birth to a son, Em - man - - - u - el, which
 be - ing in - ter - pret - ed is, God with us.

Both now - quicker

Both now and ev - er, and un - to a - ges of
 Theotokion
 a - ges. A - men. Most bless - ed art thou, O
 Vir - gin The - o - to - kos, for though Him that was in -
 - car - nate of thee is Ha - des de - spoiled;



Ad - am is re - called from the dead, the
curse is made void, Eve is set free, death is slain,
and we are en - dowed with life. Where - fore, in
hymns of praise, we cry a - loud: Bless - ed art thou, O
Christ our God, who is thus well pleased,
glo - - - - ry to thee.

*Now sing the Great Doxology in Tone 7
from the Byzantine Matins Project by Kazan, on Page 230.*

Special Melody: *Today the Virgin*

To - day the Vir - - - gin com - eth to the

cave to give birth in an in - ef - fa - ble

man - ner to the Word be - fore thē a - - - ges. Re -

- joice, there - fore, O un - - - i - verse, when thou

hear - - - est, and glo - ri - fy with thē

an - gels and shep - - - herds him who

shall ap - pear by his own will as a

new babe, be - ing God be - fore thē a - ges.