Holy and Great Saturday

O Lord, I Have Cried

First Mode

Text by Fr. Seraphim Nasser

Ἦχος ◁ Πα

O Lord, ___ I have cried ____ out ___ un- - to _____

Thee, hear _____ Thou _ me; hear ___ Thou _ me, _____

O _____ Lord. O Lord, I have cried out ___ un- - to ___

Thee, hear Thou ____ me. __ Give ear to the voice _____

of _____ my sup- - pli- ca- - - tion when I cry

out un- to _____ Thee: _____ hear Thou me, _____ O __

_____ Lord.

L et my ___ prayer ___ be ___ set _____ forth be-

fore _____ Thee as _____ the _____ in- - - - cense, and

the lift- ing up_____ of ____ my ___ hands as the ___ eve-

ning sac- - ri- - fice;__ hear Thou me, _____ O __

_____ Lord.

S et a watch, O Lord, be-fore my mouth, and a pro- tect- ing door

round a- bout my lips.

I n- cline _____ not my heart to e- vil words, to make ex- cus-

- es in sins.

W ith men that work in- iq- ui- ty; and I will not com- mu-

ni- cate with the choic- - est of them.

The just man shall cor- rect me in mer- cy and shall re- prove

me; but let not the oil of the sin- - ner a- noint my head.

For my prayer ____ al- so shall still be a- gainst the things with

which they are well pleased; their judg- es fall- - ing up- on the rock

have been swal-lowed up.

They shall hear my words, for they are sweet; as when the

thick- ness of the earth is bro- - ken up- on the ground, their

bones are scat-tered by the side ___ of ha- des.

But to Thee, O Lord, ___ Lord, _ are mine eyes; in Thee

_ have I put my trust, take ___ not a- way my soul.

Keep me from the snare which they _ have laid for me, and the

traps of the work-ers of in- iq- ui- ty.

Let the wick- ed faTll in- to their own nets, whilst ___ I

a- lone es-cape.

I cried un- to the Lord ___ with my voice, with my voice

un- to the Lord, did I make my sup- pli- ca- tion.

I poured out my sup- pli- ca- tion be- fore __ Him; I showed

be- fore Him _ my trou- ble.

When my spir- - it was o- ver- whelmed with- in me,

then Thou knew- - est my paths.

In the way where- in I walked have they se- cret-ly laid a

snare for me.

I looked on my right hand, and be- held, but there was no man

that would know me.

Ref- uge failed ___ me; no one cared ___ for my soul.

I cried ___ un- to Thee, O Lord; I said: Thou art my ref-

uge and my por- tion in the land of the liv- ing.

At- tend un- to my cry, for I am brought __ ver- y low.

De- liv- er me from them that per- se- cute me, for they are

strong- - er than I.

B ring my soul out of pris- on, that I may praise Thy

Name.

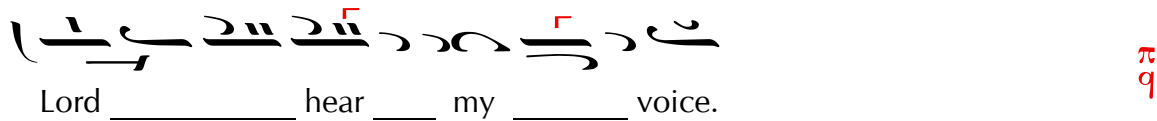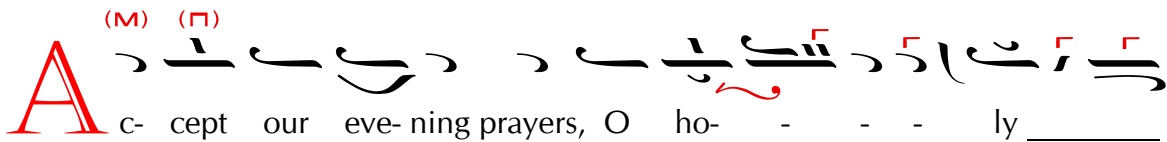T he right- eous shall wait for me un- til Thou rec- om- pense

me.

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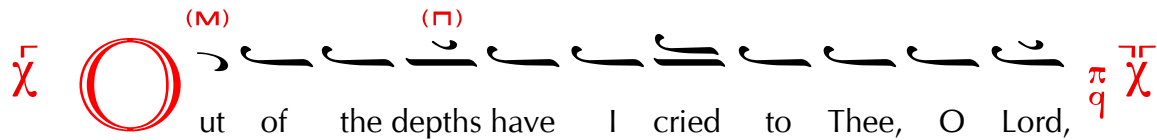
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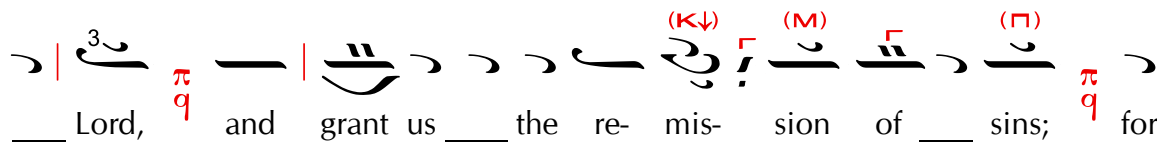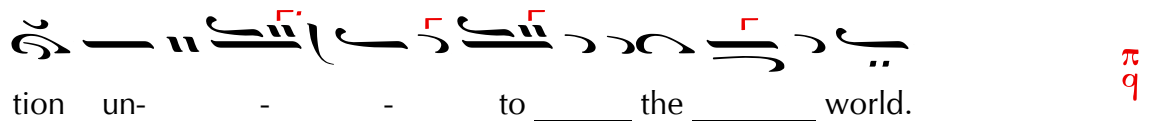
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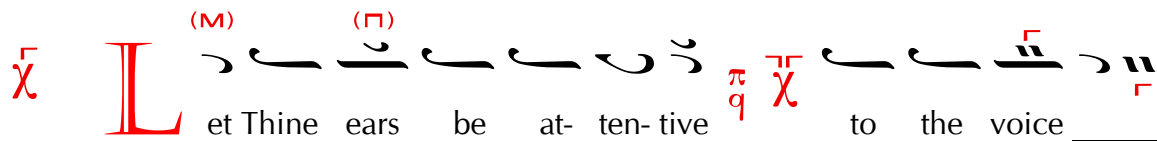Ἦχος ᾱ Πα

O ut of the depths have I cried to Thee, O Lord,
Lord _____ hear ____ my _____ voice.
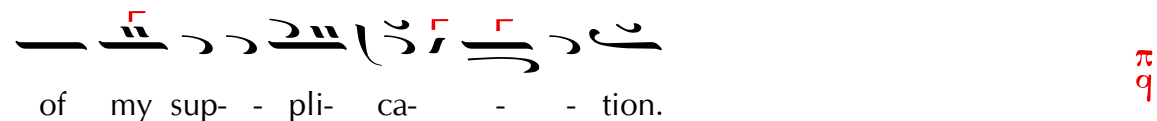
A c- cept our eve- ning prayers, O ho - - - ly _____
___ Lord, and grant us ____ the re- mis- sion of ___ sins; for
Thou a- lone art He Who __ hath __ shown __ forth the Res- ur- rec-
tion un - - to _____ the _____ world.

L et Thine ears be at- ten- tive to the voice ____
of my sup- - pli- ca- - - tion.

E n- cir- cle Si- on, O ye peo-ples, and en- com- pass

her, and give glo - ry there- in to Him that is ris-

en from the dead; for He is our

God Who hath de- liv- ered us from our in- iq-

- - ui- - - ties.

I f Thou, O Lord, shouldst mark in- iq- ui- ties, O

Lord, who shall stand? For with Thee there is for- give-

- - ness.

C ome, O ye peo- ples, let us praise and wor- ship Christ,

glo- ri- fy- ing His Res- ur- rec- tion from the

___ dead; for He is our God Who hath de- liv- - - ered the

___ world from the er- ror of ___ the en- - - e- -

- my.

Be- cause of Thy Name have I wait- ed for Thee, O

Lord; my soul hath wait- ed up- on Thy word, my soul

hath hoped _____ in _____ the _____ Lord.

By Thy Pas- - - sion, O ___ Christ, we were freed _____

from _____ the pas- - - sions, and by Thy Res- ur- rec-

- - tion we were de- liv- ered from ____ cor- rup- tion. Lord,

___ glo- - - ry be ____ to _____ Thee.

Other Stichera

Plagal Fourth Mode

Ἦχος πλ. δ΄ Νη

From the morn- ing watch un- til night, from the morn-ing watch let Is- ra- el trust _____ in _____ the _____ __ Lord.

To- day Ha- -des groan- - eth and cri- - - eth _ _____ out: It would have been good for ___ me had I nev- er re-ceived Him _____ Who _____ was born of _____ Mar- - - - y, for He came _____ up- on _____ me

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and de- stroyed __ my___ pow- - - er. __ He crushed the _____

gates of __ brass, and, as God, He raised the ____ souls __ that I

once _____ held cap- - - tive. Glo- - ry _____ be

____ to Thy __ Cross _____ and Thy _____ Res- - - ur-

rec- - tion,_____ O _____ Lord.

For with the Lord there is mer- cy and with Him

is a- bun- dant re- demp- tion, and He will de- liv- er Is-

ra- el from all his in- iq- - - ui- - - ties.

(Repeat the sticheron above)

Praise the Lord, all ye na-tions; praise ____ Him, ___ ____ all ye _____ peo- - ple.

To- day ____ Ha- - - des groan- - eth and cri- - eth _____ out: Mine au- thor- i- ty hath _ been de-stroyed; I re- ceived this mor- - tal as one ___ of the ___ dead; ___ yet in no wise can I _____ hold _____ Him fast, but with Him _____ I _____ shall _____ lose those _____ o- - ver whom _____ I _____ ruled.

I held the dead from the be- gin- ning ___ of the ___ world; but be- hold, _ this _ man rais- - - eth _____ them _____ all.

Glo- - ry _____ be _____ to Thy ___ Cross _____ and

Thy _____ Res- - - ur- rec- - - tion, _____ O _____

Lord.

For His mer- cy is great toward us, and the truth

of the Lord en- - dur- - - eth for- - - ev- -

- er.

To- day Ha- des ___ groan- - eth and ___ cri- - - -

- - eth _____ out: My do- min- - ion ____ is _____

swal- - lowed _____ up; the Shep-herd was _____ cru- -

- - ci- -fied, and hath raised _____ up Ad- - - am.

I am robbed of ___ them o- ver whom _____ I __

_____ ruled, and all those whom I had o- ver- pow-ered and __

_____ swal-lowed __ up, I have vom- - it- ed _____ up _____

_____ a- - - gain. He ___ that was cru- ci- fied hath

emp- - - tied the___ tombs; the do- min- ion of death_____ pre-

vail- - - eth _____ not. Glo- - ry _____ be

_____ to Thy ___ Cross _____ and Thy _____ Res- - - ur-

rec- - - tion, _____ O _____ Lord.

Doxastikon

Plagal Second Mode

Ἦχος λ π ͵ Πα

Glo- - - ry to the Fa- ther, and to the

Son, and to the Ho- - ly Spir- - - it.

Great Mo- - ses mys- - ti- - c'lly pre- fig- - ured this

day, say- - - ing: And God blessed the sev-

- - enth day. This is the bless- ed Sab- - - -

- bath; this is the day of rest, where- on,

through the dis- pen- sa- - - - tion of death, the On-

ly- be- got- - ten Son of God rest- ed

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from all _____ His _____ works, keep-ing Sab- - bath

in _____ the _____ flesh. And through the Res- - ur- - - rec-

- - - - - - - - tion, _____ He re- sumed a-

gain His ____ for- mer _ state, and ____ grant- - - - ed us ___ life

_____ (fe) ev- er- last- -

- ing, since He a-lone is ___ good and __ the Friend _____

of _____ man.

Alternate melody:

* Great Mo- - - ses ___ mys- - - ti- - - - c'lly ___

Pre- fig- - ured _____ this day

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Theotokion

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Both now ___ and ___ ev- er, and un- to ag- - - es

of ag- - - - es. ____ A- - - men.

The u- ni- ver- sal glo- ry born of ___ men, who hath

giv- en ___ birth un- to _____ the ___ Mas- ter, the heav- en-

ly _____ gate: let us praise ___ Mar- - y ____the ___ Vir-

- gin, the song of the bod- - - i- - less ___ hosts,

and the a- dorn- - ment of ___ the faith- - - - - -

- - ful. For she was shown to ____ be a Heav- - -

en __ and a tem- - ple of ____ the God- - -head;

de- story- -ing the wall of en- - -mi- - -ty, __ she

ush- - -ered in___ peace _ and o- pened the _____ King-

- -dom. Pos- sess- ing, there- fore, this an- - - chor _

of ____ faith, _ we have as cham- pi- - on the Lord _____

Who ____ was _____ born _____ of _____ her. Take cour-age,

there- fore, ___take ___cour- age, O ye peo- - - -ple

____ of ___ God; _____ for He shall ___ fight thine en- e-

mies, since He is the ___ Al-might- - y _____ One.

The Hymn of the Three Children

(Daniel 3:57-88)

First Mode

Ἦχος α̅ Πα

Refrain:

praise ___ ye the Lord, and su- preme- - ly ex- alt ___

Him un- to __ the ag- es.

Bless the Lord, all ye works of the Lord: *Refrain*

Bless the Lord, ye Angels of the Lord, and ye heavens of the Lord: *Refrain*

Bless the Lord, all ye waters above the heavens, and all ye powers of the Lord: *Refrain*

Bless the Lord, O sun and moon, and ye stars of heaven: *Refrain*

Bless the Lord, every rain and dew, and all ye winds: *Refrain*

Bless the Lord, fire and heat of burning, winter cold and summer heat: *Refrain*

Bless the Lord, O falls of dew and snow, O ice and cold: *Refrain*

Bless the Lord, O hoar frosts and snows, O lightnings and clouds: *Refrain*

Bless the Lord, O light and darkness, O nights and days: *Refrain*

Bless the Lord, O earth, mountains and hills, and all things that spring up therein: *Refrain*

Bless the Lord, O fountains, seas, and rivers, O monsters of the sea, and all things that move in the waters: *Refrain*

Bless the Lord, all ye winged creatures of the sky, O beasts and all cattle: *Refrain*

Bless the Lord, ye sons of men; let Israel bless the Lord: *Refrain*

Bless the Lord, ye priests of the Lord, ye servants of the Lord: *Refrain*

Bless the Lord, ye spirits and ye souls of the righteous, ye saints, and ye that be humble of heart: *Refrain*

Bless the Lord, O Ananias, Azarias, and Misael: *Refrain*

Bless the Lord, ye Apostles, Prophets and Martyrs of the Lord: *Refrain*

We bless Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, the Lord:

We praise the Lord, and su- preme- - ly ex- alt ____ Him un- to __ the ag- es.

We praise, we bless, and we worship the Lord:

Prais- - ing the Lord, and su- preme- - ly _____ ex- alt-ing Him un- to __ the ag- - es. _____

Prokeimenon

Ἦχος βαρύς 𝄇 Γα

Seventh Mode (Varis)

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rise O God, judge _____ the ____ earth;__ for Thou shalt in-

her- - - it a- mong _____ all _____ the na- -

- tions.__

1. God hath stood in the congregation of gods, and being in the midst of them He judgeth gods.
2. How long will you judge unjustly, and accept the person of the wicked?
3. Judge the needy and fatherless. Do justice to the humble and the poor.
4. Rescue the poor; and deliver the needy out of the hand of the sinner.
5. They have not known or understood; they walk on in darkness. All the foundations of the earth shall be moved.
6. I have said: You are gods and all sons of the Most High. But you, like men, shall die; and shall fall like one of the princes.

rise O God, judge _____ the ____ earth;__ for Thou ____

shalt in- her- - - it ___ a- mong _____ all _____ the

na- - - tions._____

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The Cherubic Hymn

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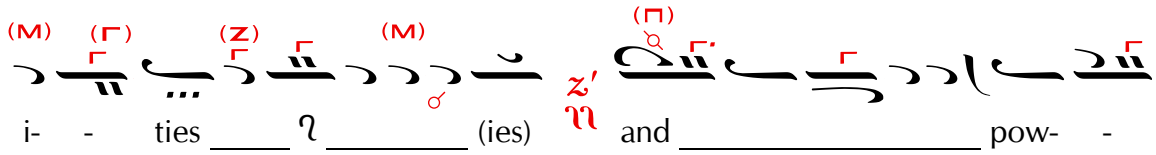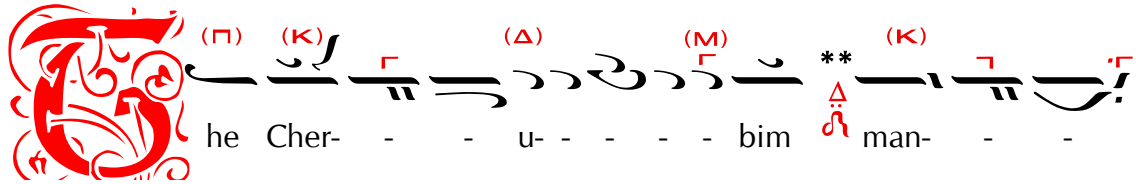Let _____ all mor- - - - - tal _____ flesh _____ keep si- - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - lence and ____ in ___ fear _____ and ___ trem- - - - - - - - bling, _____ and __ trem- - - ling _ stand, ___ pon- - - der- - - ing ___ noth- - - ing earth- - - -
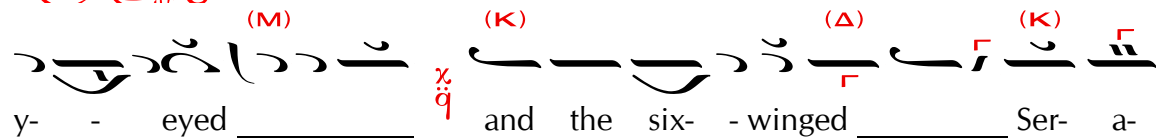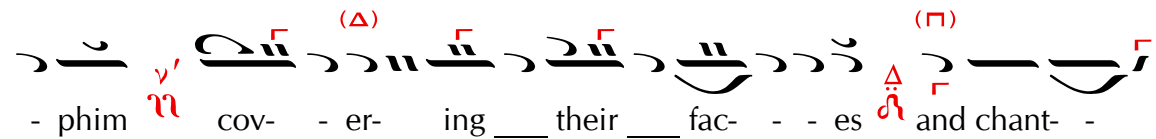
- ly ___ mind- - - - - - - ed. For _____ the

__ King _____ of _____ kings and the Lord _____

_____ of, _____ (f) the Lord ___ of _____ lords _____

_____ ᵞ _____ com- - eth _____ forth

_____ to _____ be ___ slain, _____ ᵞ _____

to _____ be __ slain and giv- - - en ___ as ___ food to

the faith- - - - - - - ful. Be- fore ____

_____ him _____ go the ranks _____ of an- -

_____ gels, _____ with

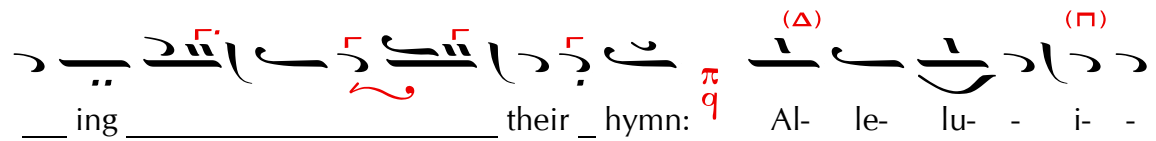___ all ___ the ___ prin- - ci- - pal- - - i - prin-ci-pal

i- - ties _____ _____ (ies) and _____ pow- -

- - - - - - - - - - ers.

T he Cher- - u- - - - - bim man- - -

y- - eyed _____ and the six- - winged _____ Ser- a-

- phim cov- - er- ing ___ their ___ fac- - - es and chant- -

___ ing _____ their hymn: Al- le- lu- - i- -

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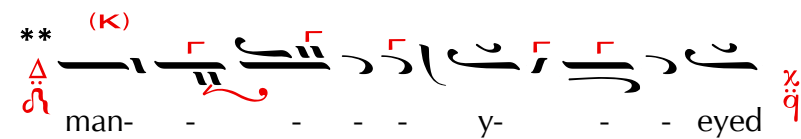
Alternate melodies:

to _____ be ____ slain_____

man- - - - y- - - eyed

All Creation Rejoiceth in Thee

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Plagal Fourth Mode

Ἦχος λ̄ πλ δ̄ Νη

ll cre- a-_____ tion re- joic- - -

- eth _____ in _____ thee O thou ___ who ___ art _____ full ___

_____ of _____ grace: the an- - gel- - lic ___ hosts

and _____ the race _____ of _____ men, O hal- - -

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- lowed _ Tem- - - ple and spir- - i- - - tual Par-

- - a- - - dise, glo- - - - - ry _____ of Vir-

- - - gins, of whom God _____ was _____ in-

car- - - - nate _ and be- came a _____ lit- - -

tle _____ Child, e- - - ven our _____ God ____ (d)

who is be- fore _____ all the _____ ag- - - es;

___ for He made ____ thy womb _____ a ____throne, and__

thy ___ bod- - - - - - y more spa- - - cious ___

than _____ the ___ heav- - - - - - ens All cre- a-

- - - - tion, re- joic- - - ceth _____ in_____

thee _____ ı _____ (ee),   O   thou who   art _____

full _____of _____ grace: glo- -   -   -   -   ry ____

__to _____thee._____