I shall open my mouth and it will be filled with the Spirit, and I shall speak forth to the Queen and Mother. I shall be seen joyfully singing her praises, and I shall delight to sing of her wonders.

As a living and copious fountain, O Theotokos, do thou strengthen those who hymn thy praises, and are joined together in a spiritual company for thy service; and in thy divine glory make them worthy of crowns of glory.
He who sits in clouds of glory upon the throne of the Godhead, Jesus the most high God, came with mighty hand and saved those who cried out unto him:

"Glory to thy power, O Christ!"

All creation was amazed at thy divine glory, for thou, O unwedded Virgin, didst hold within thee the God of all, and didst bear the Eternal Son, who whereabouts with salvation all who hymn thy praises.
In the belly of the whale, Jonah the Prophet, foreshadowed the three-day Burial, lifting his voice and imploring, Deliver me from corruption, O Jesus, King of the powers.

The godly-minded children worshipped not the creature rather than the Creator, but trampling upon the threat of fire in manly fashion, they rejoiced and sang: "O all-praised Lord and God of our fathers, blessed art thou."

(*Ode 7 was not in the original music.)
We praise, we bless and we worship the Lord.

Hearken, O Maiden, virgin and pure, that Gabriel may tell the eternal will of the Highest.

Make thee ready to receive God; for the Uncontainable shall, through thee, mingle with mankind. Wherefore, rejoicing, I cry, Bless the Lord, all his works.

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

Magnification

Proclaim, O earth, the glad tidings of great joy, and ye heavens, praise the glory of God.

9th Ode - 1.

The Theotokos, being the living tabernacle of God, shall never be touched by an unclean hand.
But the lips of believers shall sing ceaselessly with the voice of angels, crying joyfully,

Rejoice, O full of grace. The Lord is with thee.

Magnification

Proclaim, O earth, the glad tidings of great joy, and ye heavens, praise the glory of God.

Thou hast transcended the bounds of nature, O Maiden, having conceived God in an ineffable manner; for being of a perishable nature, thou wast exempted in thy birth giving from that which pertaineth to
moth-ers. Where-fore, as is meet, thou dost hear,

Re-joice, O full of grace. The Lord is with thee._

Magnification

Pro-claim, O earth, the glad tidings of great joy, and ye heav-ens, praise the glo-ry of God.

3.

How dost thou o-ver-flow with milk, O un-de-filed_

Vir-gin? Ver-i-ly, thou hast ap-peared as a strange man-i-fes-ta-tion, un-utter-a-ble by hu-man
tongue, trans-cend-ing na-ture and the bounds of the laws of birth. Where-fore, thou dost hear, as is meet,

Re-joice, O full of grace. The Lord is with thee._
Magnification

Pro-claim, O earth, the glad tidings of great joy, and ye heavens, praise the glory of God.

4.

The God-inspired Scriptures, O Mother of the Highest, have spoken of thee mystically; for Jacob when he saw the ladder of old, which was a fore-sign of thee, cried, saying, This is the ascent of God.

Wherefore, as is meet, thou dost hear, Rejoice, O full of grace. The Lord is with thee.

March 25

Annunciation to the Theotokos

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

The bush and the fire did re-veal to God-be-hold-ing
Mos-es a won-der-ful mir-a-cle. And seek-ing the ful-fill-ment there-of with the pass-ing of time, he cried, say-ing,

I shall be-hold her who is a spot-less Maid-en, who shall be ad-dressed with re-joic-ing
as the The-o-tok-os, Re-joice, O full of grace. The Lord is with thee.
Now conclude with the Heirmos of the Ninth Ode with its Magnification, as the Katabasia, as on the next page.
Magnification

Proclaim, O earth, the glad tidings of great joy, and ye heavens, praise the glory of God.

Katabasia of the 9th Ode

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But the lips of believers shall sing unto her ceaselessly with the voice of angels, crying joyfully, Rejoice, O full of grace. The Lord is with thee.