December 25th

The Nativity of our Lord, God, and Savior Jesus Christ in the Flesh

Kathismata: Sessional Hymns following the readings of the Psalter

Byzantine Chant Tone 4
Special melody: Joseph was amazed

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1) Come, ye faithful let us see where Christ the Savior
2) Why, O Mary, marv'lest thou, amazed at that which
3) He Whom nothing can contain, how is He held with-

hath been born; let us follow with the kings,
is in thee? Because I have given birth
-in a womb? And while in His Father's arms,

even the Magi from the East, unto the place where the
in time unto the timeless Son, yet none hath taught me con-
how in His Mother's pure embrace? Such is His will and good

star doth direct their journey. For there, the
cerning my Child's conception: without a
pleasure, and as He knoweth. For being

Angels' hosts sing praises ceaselessly; shepherds
man am I, how shall I bear a Son? Who hath
with out flesh, He took flesh willingly; for us,

in the field offering a fitting song,
ever seen a birth without man's seed?
He Who is became what He was not.

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while saying, Glory in the highest to
But, as is written, where God will eth, the
Without forsaking His own nature, He

Him this day born within the cave
order of nature is overcome.
hath partaken of what we are.

from the pure Virgin and Theotokos
Lo, Christ is born now of the pure Virgin
For Christ is born now, two-fold in nature,

in Bethlehem of Juda.
in Bethlehem of Juda.
to fill Heaven with mankind.