

June 30th

The Synaxis of the Twelve Apostles

Stichera at the Praises

Byzantine Chant Tone 4

Special melody: *Thou who wast called from on high*

Adapted by Dn. John El Massih

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1) O chief foun - da - tion of Christ's di - vine A - pos - tles,

G E

hav - ing left all things be - hind to fol - low af - ter Him,

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un - to thy Teach - er didst thou cry out: I shall die with Thee,

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so that I al - so may live the bless - ed life.

G E

Now, O Pe - ter, as the teach - er of the world en - tire,

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the stead - fast preach - er, the rock of faith, the boast and glo - ry

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and thē un - shake - a - ble tow - er of the Church,

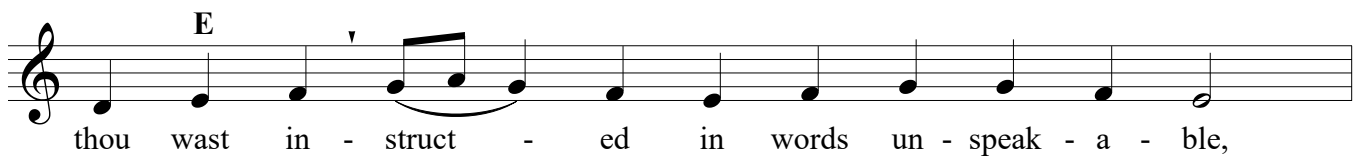
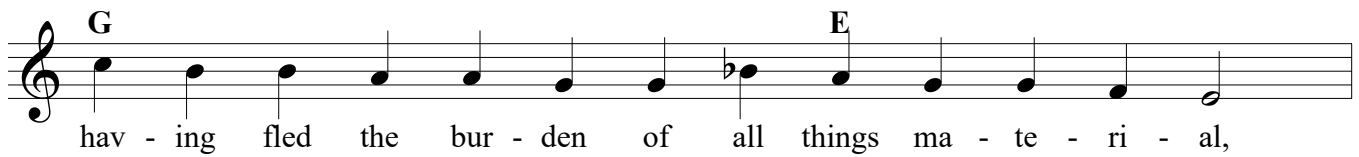
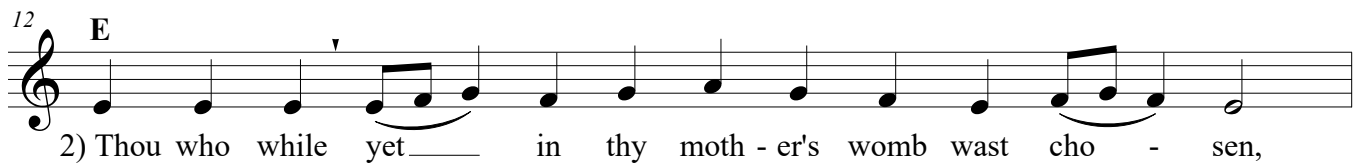
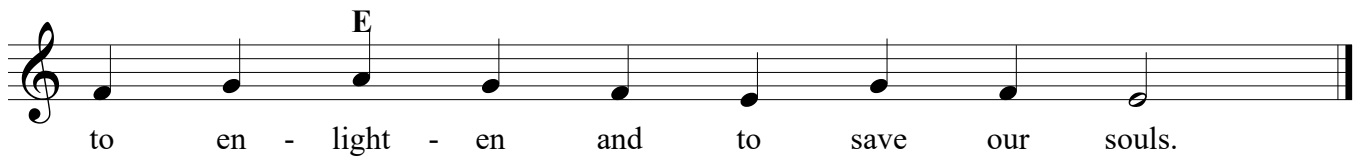
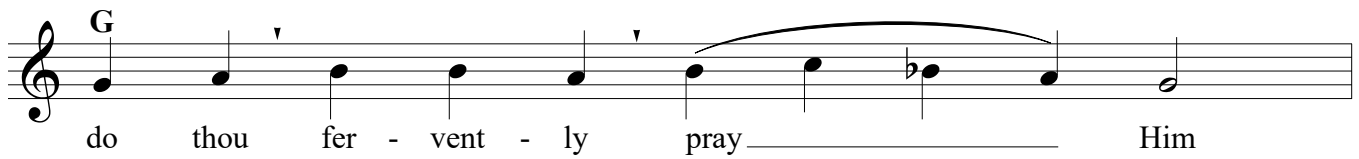
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a - gainst which Ha - des' gates can - not pre - vail,

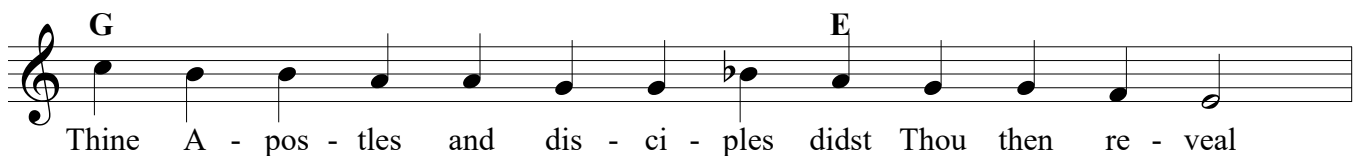
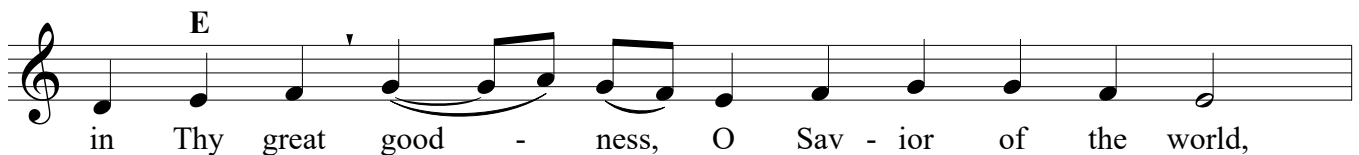
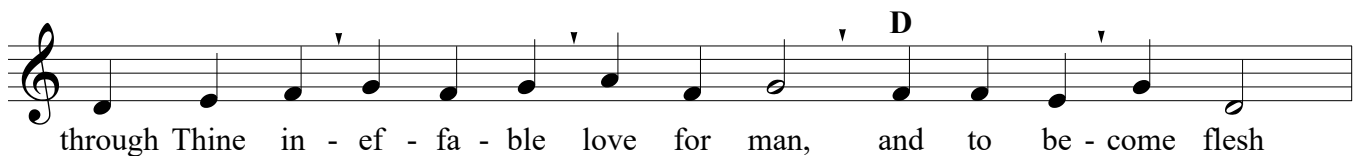
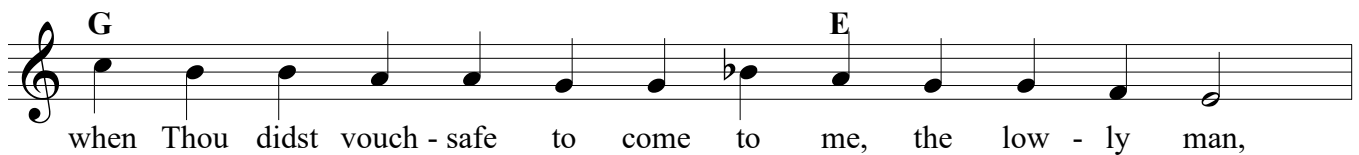
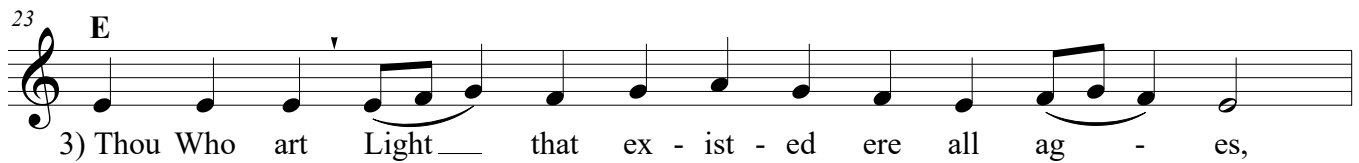
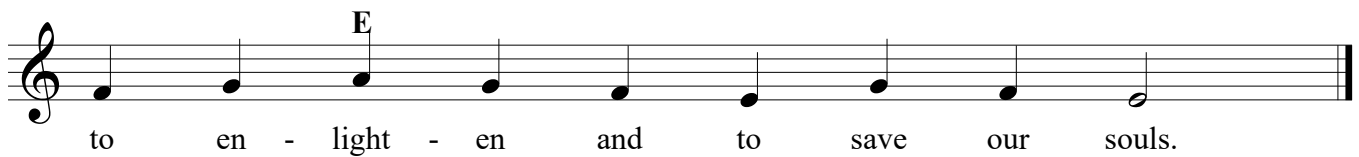
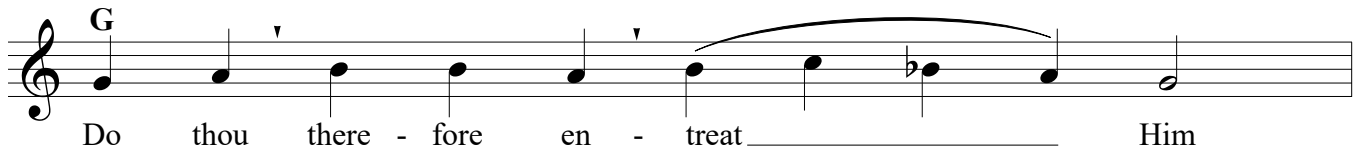
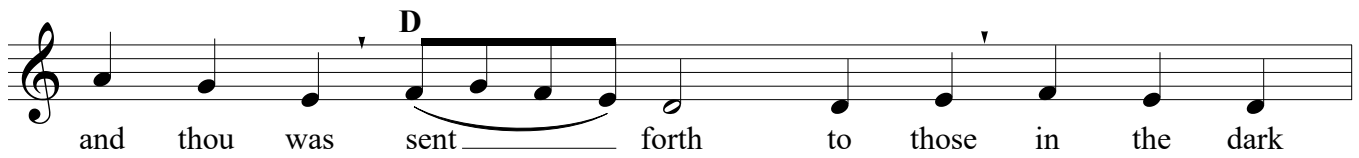
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e - ven as Christ our God had fore - told to thee,

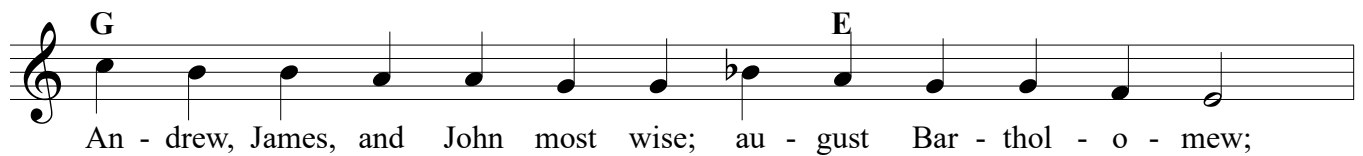
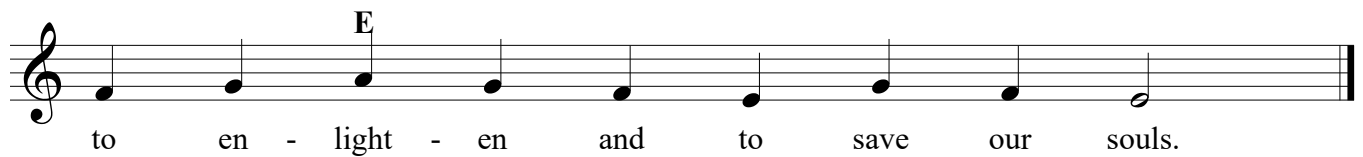
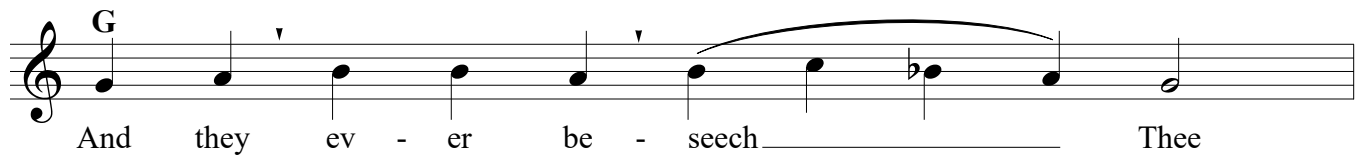
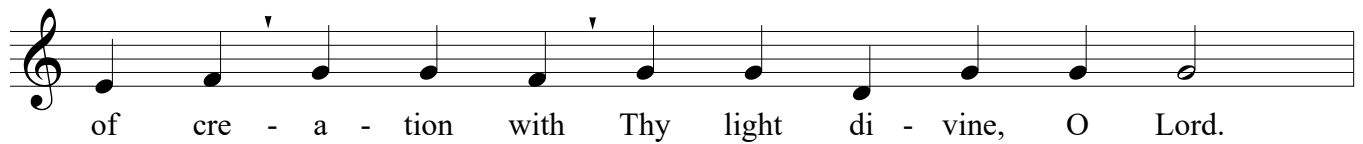
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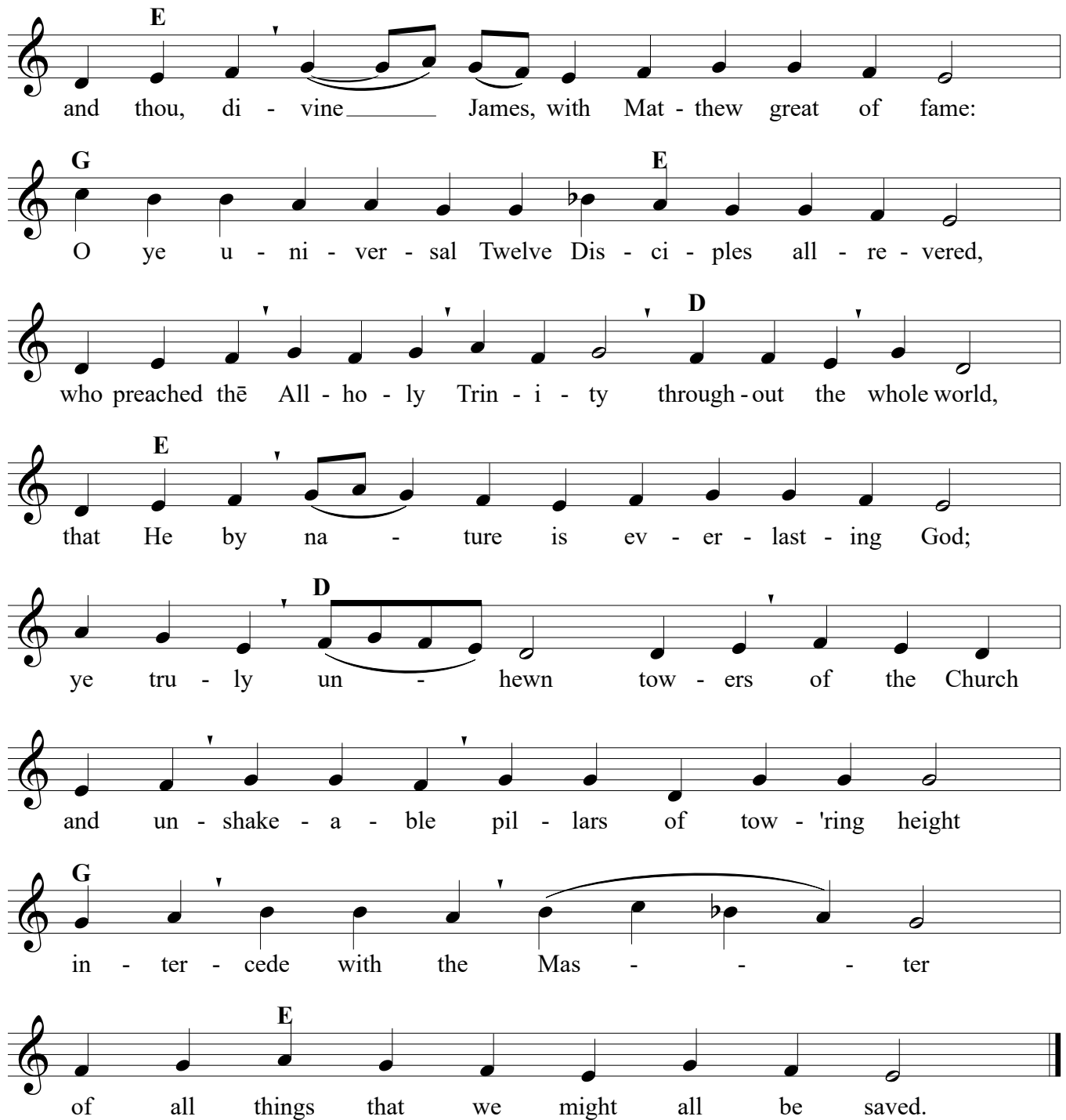
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and thou, di - vine James, with Mat - thew great of fame:

O ye u - ni - ver - sal Twelve Dis - ci - ples all - re - vered,

who preached thē All - ho - ly Trin - i - ty through - out the whole world,

that He by na - ture is ev - er - last - ing God;

ye tru - ly un - hewn tow - ers of the Church

and un - shake - a - ble pil - lars of tow - 'ring height

in - ter - cede with the Mas - ter

of all things that we might all be saved.