

December 9th

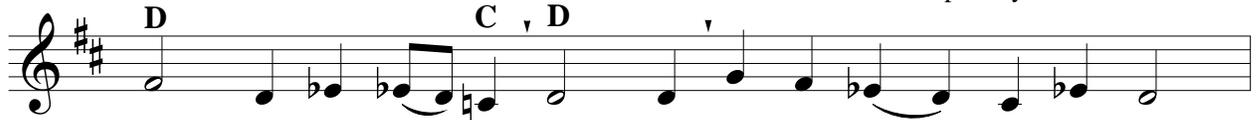
# Conception of the Theotokos by Righteous Anna

## Stichera at the Praises

Byzantine Chant Tone 2

Special melody: *O house of Ephratha*

Adapted by Rassem El Massih



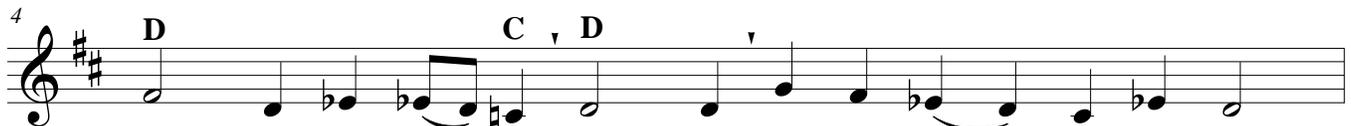
1) Ad - am and Eve, re - joice and put a - side — all sor - row;



for in a bar - ren wom - an, be - yond all hope the



Moth - er of Joy doth bud as — fruit to - day.



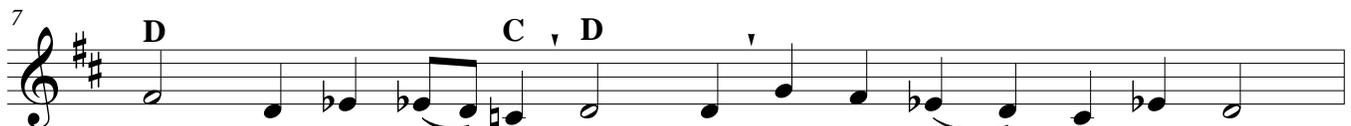
2) Fore - fa - ther A - bra - ham, all Pa - tri - archs — and Fa - thers,



be filled with ju - bi - la - tion on see - ing that the



Moth - er of God doth spring forth from your root.



3) Jo - a - chim, leap for joy; re - joice with him, — O An - na;



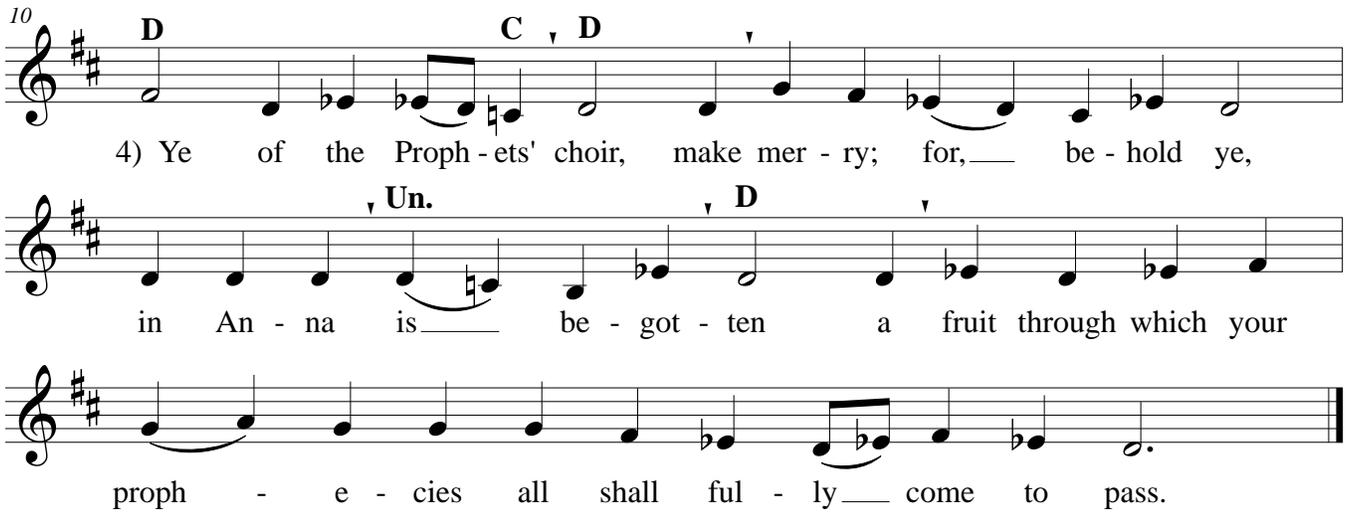
for on this day — ye bear fruit that is the cause of



joy — and sal - va - tion for the — world en - tire.

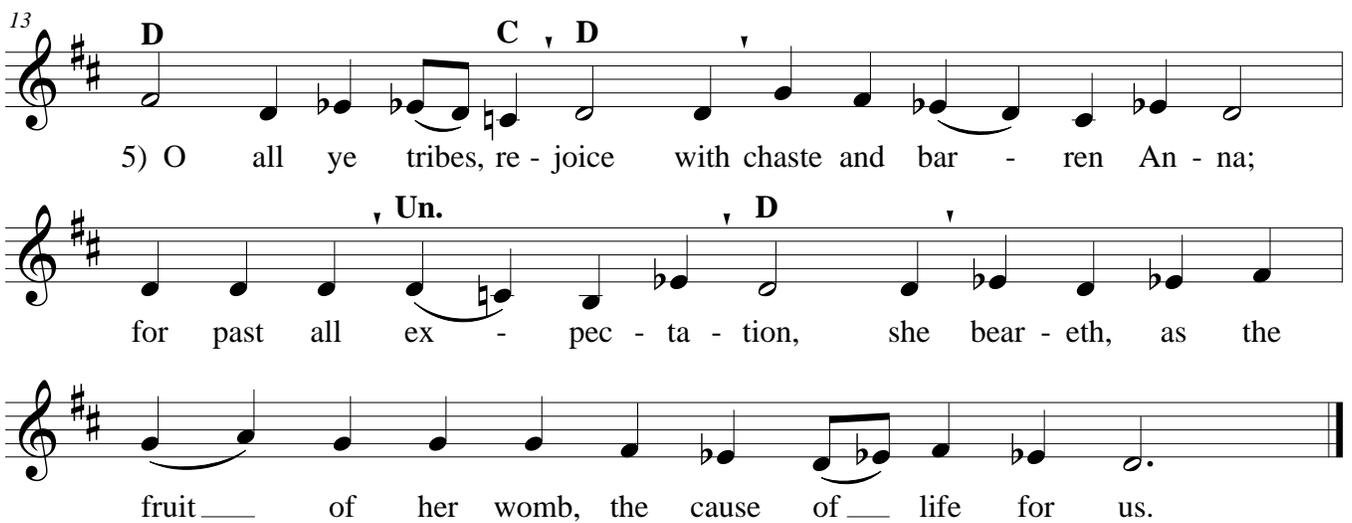
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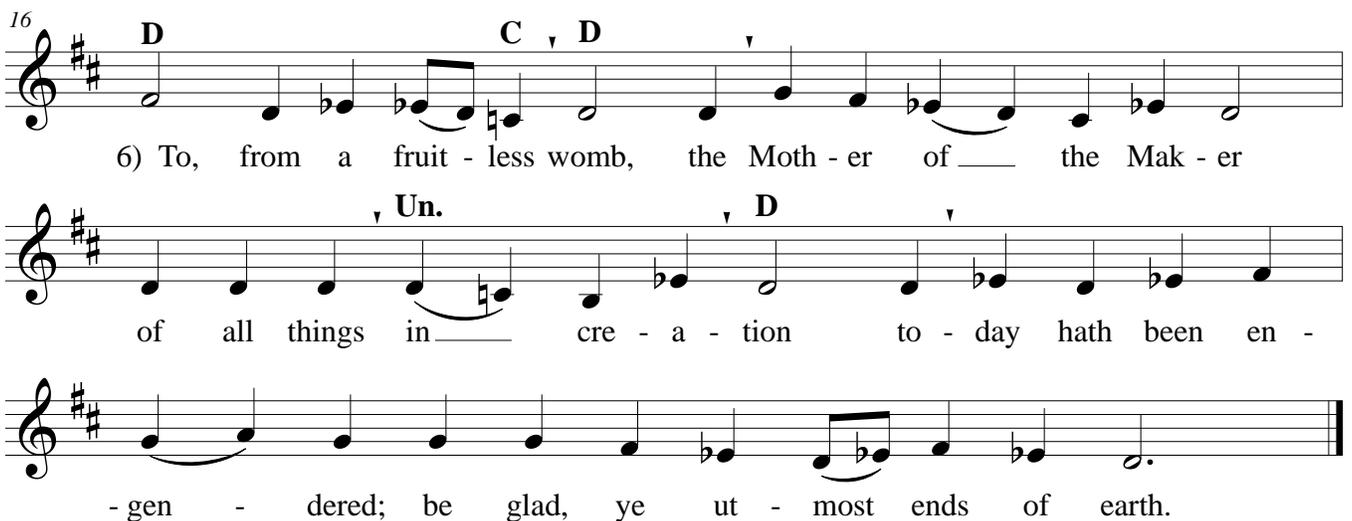
4) Ye of the Proph-ets' choir, make mer-ry; for, be-hold ye,  
in An-na is be-got-ten a fruit through which your  
proph-e-cies all shall ful-ly come to pass.

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5) O all ye tribes, re-joice with chaste and bar-ren An-na;  
for past all ex-pec-ta-tion, she bear-eth, as the  
fruit of her womb, the cause of life for us.

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6) To, from a fruit-less womb, the Moth-er of the Mak-er  
of all things in cre-a-tion to-day hath been en-  
gen-dered; be glad, ye ut-most ends of earth.