From the Menaion

As The All-pure Sovereign Lady
Stavro-Theotokion

Byzantine Chant Tone/Mode 4
Special Melody: Unto them that fear thee

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(Confirm before singing which text is used on the 2nd & 3rd line.)

As the all-pure Sovereign Lady looked on Christ being put to death and thus slaying the crafty one, she
mourned Him as Sovereign Lord, as she sang the praises of the Child Who came from her womb; and she was sore amazed as she beheld His extreme long suffering. My most beloved Child, do not forget Thy handmaid, she cried to Him. Do not tarry, O Friend of man; quickly end my despacency.

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