The pure Ewe-lamb who gave Thee birth mourned with sorrow and bitter grief, seeing Thee, the Shepherd and Lamb, upon the Tree; and as Thy Mother, she spake to Thee and said: O beloved Son, how is it that Thou art hanged on the tree of a wooden Cross? How is it, O Word, O long-suffering Master, that Thy hands and feet are nailed by lawless people and Thou hast poured out Thy precious Blood?

From the Menaion
The Pure Ewe-Lamb Who Gave Thee Birth
Stavro-Theotokion (of the Cross) at Vespers & Orthros

Byzantine Mode 4
Special Melody: As one valiant

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