

March 25th

The Annunciation to the Most-Holy Theotokos

Stichera at "O Lord, I have cried"

Byzantine Mode 6

Special Melody: *Having laid up all their hope*



1) Com - ing to re - veal to thee that coun - sel which was de -
2) *To the Chief of Heav - en's hosts, th un - de - filed Maid - en*
3) Where - so - ev - er God doth will, there na - ture's or - der is



- ter - mined from be - fore e - ter - ni - ty,
an - swered: Thou dost seem to be a man;
con - quered, spake he that is bod - i - less;



Ga - bri - el sa - lut - ed thee, cry - ing out: Re - joice,
how is it that thou dost speak things be - yond man's strength?
and that which ex - ceed - eth man then is brought to pass.



ho - ly earth__ nev - er sown; bush un - burnt, re - joice_____ thou;
For thou hast__ said to me that God shall be with_____ me
O thou all - ho - ly Maid, pur - er than all tell - - - ing,



O re - joice,_____ thou lad - der raised on high,
and shall make_____ His dwell - ing in my womb.
now be - lieve_____ these truth - ful words of mine.



which Ja - cob saw of old; re - joice, thou depth un - fath - omed and un - ex - plored;
Tell me, I pray of thee, how shall I be - come then the spa - cious land
She cried a - loud to him: Be it un - to me now as thou hast said,

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re - joice, thou bridge which lead - est up
and dwell - ing - place of ho - li - ness
 and I shall bear the Flesh - less One,

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to the high - est Heav - en; re - joice, di - vine
for Him that doth ride on the Cher - u - bim?
 Who shall bor - row flesh from me, so that He,

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ves - sel of the Man - - - na; re - joice, com - plete de -
Do thou not be guile - - - me de - ceit - ful - ly; for
 Who a - lone is a - - - - ble, might lead man back up

- struc - tion of the curse; re - call of Ad - am to God, re - joice:
pleas - ure I know not, nei - ther in wed - lock have I been yoked.
 to - - his first es - tate and an - cient dig - ni - ty once a - gain

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With thee is the - - Lord - - Most High - -
How then shall I - - bear - - a child? - -
 by His un - ion - - with - - our race - -