

October 18th

# Holy Apostle & Evangelist Luke

## Stichera at "O Lord, I have cried"

Byzantine Tone 8 (Plagal 4th Mode-C)  
Special Melody: *What shall we now call you*

Adapted by Dn. John El Massih

1) What shall I now call thee, A - pos - tle Luke? Ho - ly heav - en,  
for thou hast de - clared the glo - ry of our God; bolt of light - ning  
that il - lu - min - eth the world with shin - ing light; a cloud that  
rain - eth down di - vine and sav - ing streams; a wine - bowl pour - ing  
forth to us the most di - vine sweet wine of wis - dom which  
giv - eth joy and ju - bi - la - tion un - to our hearts. Do thou  
en - treat Christ the Sav - ior that our souls be saved.

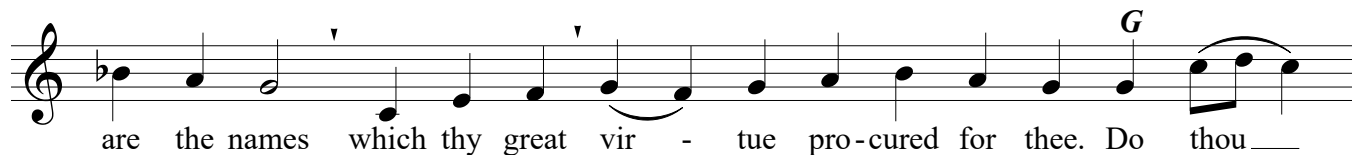
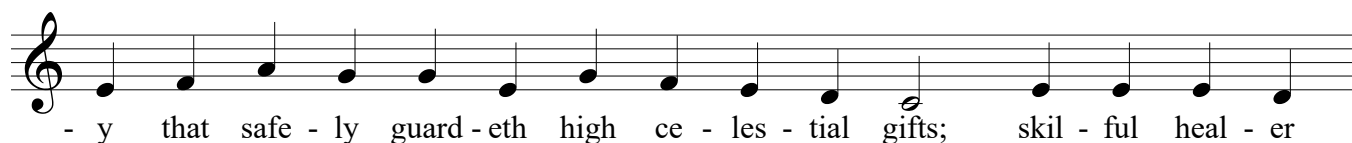
2) How shall I ad - dress thee, O man of God? Riv - er is - su -  
- ing from Par - a - dise and com - ing un - to us; god - ly ark of

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the blest cov - e - nant which Christ hath made with man; no - et - ic  
 lu - mi - nar - y flash - ing forth with light; a lamp - stand shin - ing  
 bright - ly on the Church of Christ; a god - ly ta - ble, the  
 bread of life, a cup that brim - meth with drink di - vine. Do thou  
 en - treat Christ the Sav - ior that our souls be saved.

3) What shall we now call thee, O seer of God? Ac - tive min - is -  
 - ter as - sist - ing at the mys - ter - ies of Christ; the no - et - ic  
 Tab - er - na - cle's wise and skil - ful ar - chi - tect; in - scrib - er  
 of the tab - lets of the grace of God; re - cord - er of the  
 Lord's new law and cov - e - nant which out of Si - on hath

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5) What shall I now name thee of god - ly speech? True dis - ci - ple  
who didst bring us the good tid - ings of Christ God; wise phy - si - cian,  
for thou heal - est all the pas - sions of our souls; no - et - ic  
lamp-stand flash - ing forth with bril - liant light; the ground - work and foun -  
- da - tion of the ho - ly Faith, for thou hast writ - ten in  
our be - half the ho - ly Gos - pel re - vered by all. Do thou  
en - treat Christ the Sav - ior that our souls be saved.

6) How shall I ad - dress thee, O won - drous Luke? Thē un - er - ring  
 seer of doc - trines of the wis - dom from on high; zeal - ous scribe who  
 hath re - cord - ed thē A - pos - tles' deeds and words; the pil - lar  
 of true pi - e - ty that nought could shake; the tow - er of the  
 Church that noth - ing could de - stroy. Thy names are man - y and  
 hon - 'ra - ble, and great - er still are thy gifts of grace. Do thou  
 en - treat Christ the Sav - ior that our souls be saved.