

November 12th

John the Almsgiver, Patriarch of Alexandria

Stichera at "O Lord, I have cried"

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

Adapted by Dn. John El Massih

E Un. E

1) Thou didst give, thou didst dis - perse thy bread to them that en -

- treat - ed thee, im - i - tat - ing, O won - drous John, the

G E

great - ly com - pas - sion - ate Mas - ter's love and mer - cy;

where - fore, thy me - mo - ri - al doth en - dure in ver - y truth

un - to thē ag - es, O right - eous Saint of God; which

as we cel - e - brate with faith and love, O Hier - arch di -

G E

- vine - ly blest, save us all by thy ho - ly prayers

from temp - ta - tions and suf - fer - ings.

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9 **E** **Un.** **E**

2) He that see - th hid - den things, when He be - held thy great

pu - ri - ty with thē up - right - ness of thy mind and

G **E**

thy di - vine way of life, raised thee to a great throne,

and with ho - ly chris - m a - noint - ed thee, per - fect - ing thee;

and He en - trust - ed the helm in - to thy hand; where -

- on, in thy great wis - dom thou didst guide thy flock to the

G **E**

ha - ven of the di - vine will, O Fa - ther John,

all - wise Hier - arch in - spired of God.

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17 E Un. E

3) All thē ask - ings of thy_ heart did Christ the Sav - ior grant

un - to thee, won - der - wor - thy and right - eous John. For

G E

thou kept - est faith - ful - ly all His sav - ing stat - utes

and with all thy be - ing didst whol - ly love the Lord thy God,

as well as lov - ing thy neigh - bor as thy - self; and

thou didst grant thy suc - cor to the need - y, fill - ing their

G E

ev - 'ry want. Hence, O Fa - ther John blest of God,

we ac - claim_ thee with hymns to - day.