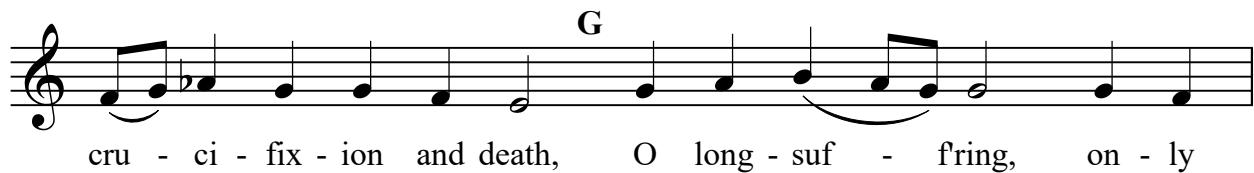
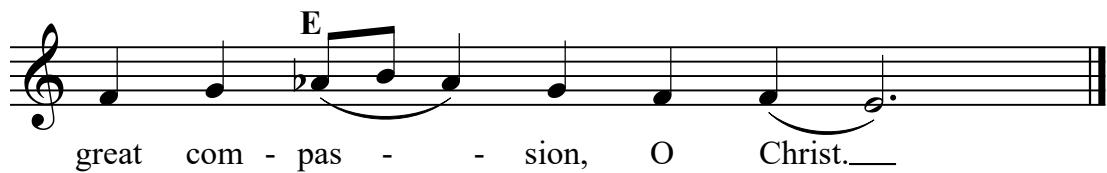
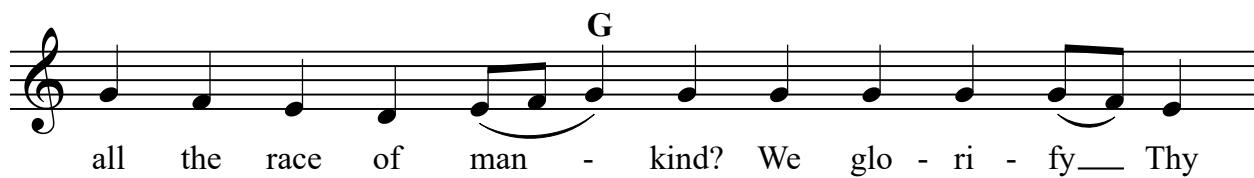
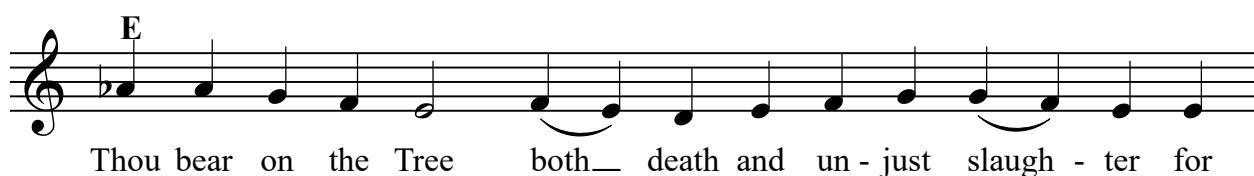


*From the Octoechos*  
**Thursday Vespers - Tone 6**  
Stichera at "O Lord, I have cried"

Byzantine Tone 6/Plagal 2nd Mode  
Special Melody: *As it is written*



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life - be - stow - ing Lord, to res - cue all men out of the  
hand of the de - ceiv - er, and Thou en - dur - est  
all, O more than good.

**Byzantine Mode 6**  
**Special Melody: Ere the morning star**

*II C*

3) Make my soul stand up - right, which hath been bowed down,  
bent be - neath the bur - den of mine of - fenc - es,  
ex - ceed - ing - ly griev - ous to be borne, O ho - ly Vir - gin;  
thou hast the Sav - ior, Who doth set up those bro - ken down and bur - dened,  
swift - ly and ea - si - ly per - suad - ed by thy ma - ter - nal bold - ness;

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The musical score consists of three stichera in G major, written in a traditional Gregorian chant style. The first two measures begin with a soprano melodic line, while the third measure begins with a basso continuo line.

**Stichera 1:** The melody starts on G, moves to A, then to B, followed by a series of eighth-note chords (G, A, B) leading to a cadence on C. The lyrics are: "and I pray thee, by thy mediation,"

**Stichera 2:** The melody starts on G, moves to A, then to B, followed by a series of eighth-note chords (G, A, B) leading to a cadence on C. The lyrics are: "tear up the handwriting of all mine unnumbered sins,"

**Stichera 3:** The melody starts on G, moves to A, then to B, followed by a series of eighth-note chords (G, A, B) leading to a cadence on C. The lyrics are: "for thy divine and great mercy's sake."