Thursday of the 5th Week
Stichera on "O Lord, I have cried"

1) Come, see Him of Whom Moses in the Law wrote that in the last times He should come and be seen on earth, Jesus, the promised Messiah, Who in His mercy conversed even with me today as a mortal beside the well. This in truth is the Lord Christ, He Who verily cometh into the world, spake the Samaritan woman to those in Sichar.

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2) When they drank the sweet water streaming forth
from the woman's sweetly speaking mouth, then those in the
town made haste to run to the fountain pouring forth with an abun-
dance of clear-flowing streams and to look on the
fountain-head ever gushing forth freely with a
plentiful river of mighty floods that bring re-
-freshment to languishing afflicted souls.

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3) When they saw Christ, the Well-spring of our life, Who was one in form and one in nature with mortal men, all they that were in the city cried to the woman: No longer do we now believe on account of thy word alone; for we ourselves now know truly that this man is the whole world's deliverance, the everlasting lasting salvation of the race of man.