

From the Menaion
O Staff of the Faithful
Theotokion

Byzantine Chant Tone 1
Special melody: *O all-lauded Martyrs*

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The musical score is written on six staves of music in a single system. Each staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The first staff has a 'D' above the first note. The lyrics are written below the notes, with some words underlined. The music consists of a series of eighth and quarter notes, with some phrases connected by slurs. The piece ends with a double bar line.

O staff__ of the faith - ful and our hope, O all - laud - ed Queen and
La - dy, as our re - fuge and might - y help, we all en - treat of thee:
Keep from ev - 'ry dan - ger us, thy ser - vants, who in faith
bow down and of - fer glo - ry and wor - ship to the
Child Whom thou didst bear. In - ter - cede__ with Him in our be - half,
that He grant____ peace and great mer - cy to__ our____ souls._____