APOSTICHON 1

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When thou wast lifted up on the cross, O Lord, thou didst expunge our ancestral curse and when thou didst descend to hades, thou didst free those who were bound from eternity, granting the human race incorruptibility. Wherefore, we offer praise, glorifying thy third-day resurrection. The Lord is King and hath put on glorious apparel. The Lord hath put on his apparel and hath girded himself with strength.

APOSTICHON 2

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fas - tened up - on a tree, thou didst shake the whole earth and when thou wast laid in the grave, thou didst raise those who lay in the graves, granting man - kind life and in - cor - rupt - i - bil - i - ty. Where - fore, we of - fer praise, glo - ry - fy - ing thy third - day res - ur - rec - tion. For he hath made the round world so sure, that it shall not be moved. The law - trans - gress - ing peo - ple, O Christ, de - liv - ered thee to Pi - late, who con - demned thee to cru - ci - fix - ion. Thus the in - grate ap - peared be - fore his Ben - e - fac -

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VERSE 3

Holiness becometh thy house, O Lord, forever.

APOSTICHON 4

Verily, the women reached thy tomb, seeking thee with tears; and when they found thee not, they shouted and wailed, saying:

Woe to us, O our Saviour, King of all. How wast thou stolen, and what place containeth thy life-bearing body? And an angel answered them, saying: Weep not, but go preach that the
Lord hath risen, granting us joy, for he alone is compassionate. Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, both now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

O thou who art free from all blemish, hear the petitions of thy servants, removing from us the difficulties that rise against us, and deliver us from all sorrows, for