

August 5th

Forefeast of the Transfiguration of Christ

Stichera at "O Lord, I have cried"

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

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The musical score is written on a single treble clef staff. It begins with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a time signature of 4/4. The melody is marked with 'E' (E-flat) and 'Un.' (Unison). The lyrics are: '1) Come, let us ascend with Jesus going up to the ho - ly mount, and there - on, we shall clear - ly hear the voice of the Liv - ing God, His E - ter - nal Fa - ther, Whose re - sound - ing voice through a cloud of light shall tes - ti - fy in the Di - vine Spir - it now con - cern - ing Christ, to bear Him wit - ness, that His ev - er - last - ing Son - ship is gen - u - ine; as for us, with en - light - ened minds, in His light, we shall all see light.' The score includes various musical notations such as slurs, accents, and fermatas.

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2) In an - tic - i - pa - tion, let us form a choir, let us
cleanse our - selves; come and let us pre - pare in faith to
make the di - vine as - cent of the great and loft - y
way of life in God, that we may be seen to be in truth
gen - u - ine seers of His awe - some maj - es - ty, and
that we may ob - tain the glo - ry that the fore - most A -
- pos - tles saw when the vi - sion was grant - ed them
on Mount Ta - bor in mys - tic wise.

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3) Let us well pre - pare our - selves that on the mor - row we
may draw nigh to the ho - ly mount of our God; come,
let us now all be changed with the tru - ly good change,
that we there may see thē un - chang - ing glo - ry of Christ God
flash - ing more bril - liant - ly than the mid - day sun; and
we will shine then with the three - fold Light and there - in shall
glo - ri - fy His ex - ceed - ing - ly mer - ci - ful
con - de - scen - sion toward all man - kind.