

**The Office of Matins for the  
Feast of the Transfiguration of Our  
Lord, God & Savior Jesus Christ**



## Matins for the Feast of Transfiguration

**Deacon:** In the name of the Lord, Father, give the blessing.

**Priest:** Glory to the holy, consubstantial, life-creating and undivided Trinity, ✠  
always, now and ever and forever.

**Response:**   
A - men.

*Each time with a bow:*

Glory to God in the highest,  
and to people on earth, peace and *good* will. (*three times.*)

O Lord, open my lips  
and my mouth will declare *your* praise. (*twice*)

**Psalm 102** My soul, give thanks to the Lord;  
all my being, bless his holy name.

My soul, give thanks to the Lord  
and never forget all his blessings.

It is he who forgives all your guilt,  
who heals every one of your ills,

who redeems your life from the grave,  
who crowns you with love and compassion,

who fills your life with good things,  
renewing your youth like an eagle's.

The Lord does deeds of justice,  
gives judgment for all who are oppressed.

He made known his ways to Moses  
and his deeds to Israel's sons.

The Lord is compassion and love,  
slow to anger and rich in mercy.

His wrath will come to an end;  
he will not be angry for ever.

He does not treat us according to our sins  
nor repay us according to our faults.

For as the heavens are high above the earth  
so strong is his love for those who fear him.

As far as the east is from the west  
so far does he remove our sins.

As a father has compassion on his sons,  
the Lord has pity on those who fear him;

for he knows of what we are made,  
he remembers that we are dust.

As for man, his days are like grass;  
he flowers like the flower of the field;

the wind blows and he is gone  
and his place never sees him again.

But the love of the Lord is everlasting  
upon those who hold him in fear;

his justice reaches out to children's children  
when they keep his covenant in truth,  
when they keep his will in their mind.

The Lord has set his sway in heaven  
and his kingdom is ruling over all.

Give thanks to the Lord, all his angels,  
mighty in power, fulfilling his word,  
who heed the voice of his word.

Give thanks to the Lord, all his hosts,  
his servants who do his will.

Give thanks to the Lord, all his works,  
in every place where he rules.  
My soul, give thanks to the Lord!

*and again:*

In every place where he rules.  
My soul, give thanks to the Lord!

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit:  
now and ever and forever. Amen.

*Each time with a bow:*

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Glory to you, O God! *(twice)*

*The third time, all sing with melody:*



### Litany of Peace

**Deacon:** In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



**Deacon:** For peace from on high and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.



**Deacon:** For peace in the whole world, for the stability of the holy Churches of God, and for the union of all, let us pray to the Lord.

**Response:** Lord, have mercy. (1)

**Deacon:** For this holy church and for all who enter it with faith, reverence, and fear of God, let us pray to the Lord.

**Response:** Lord, have mercy. (2)

**Deacon:** For our holy father, *(Name)*, pope of Rome, let us pray to the Lord.

**Response:** Lord, have mercy. (1)

**Deacon:** For our most reverend metropolitan, (*Name*), for our God-loving bishop, (*Name*), for the venerable presbyterate, the diaconate in Christ, and all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

**Response:** Lord, have mercy. (2)

**Deacon:** For our government and for all in the service of our country, let us pray to the Lord.

**Response:** Lord, have mercy. (1)

**Deacon:** For this city, for every city, community, and for the faithful living in them, let us pray to the Lord.

**Response:** Lord, have mercy. (2)

**Deacon:** For favorable weather, for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, and for peaceful times, let us pray to the Lord.

**Response:** Lord, have mercy. (1)

**Deacon:** For those who travel by sea, air, and land, for the sick, the suffering, the captive, and for their salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

**Response:** Lord, have mercy. (2)

**Deacon:** That we be delivered from all affliction, wrath, and need, let us pray to the Lord.

**Response:** Lord, have mercy. (1)

**Deacon:** Protect us, save us, have mercy on us, and preserve us, O God, by your grace.

**Response:** Lord, have mercy. (2)

**Deacon:** Commemorating our most holy, most pure, most blessed and glorious Lady, the Theotokos and ever-Virgin Mary with all the Saints, let us commit ourselves and one another, and our whole life to Christ our God.

**Response:**   
To you, O Lord.





**Priest:** We thank you, Lord, our God, for you have wakened us from our sleep, and have filled our lips with praise that we might worship you and call upon your holy name. We beg of your compassion that you have always shown towards us, hear us now and send help to those who stand before your holy glory, awaiting your abundant mercy. O Lord, grant that those who serve you in fear and love may praise your ineffable goodness.

**Priest:** For to you is due all glory, honor, and worship, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever.

**Response:**   
A - men.

### The Lord is God

  
The Lord is God and has revealed him - self to us; bless - ed is he

  
who comes in the name of the Lord.

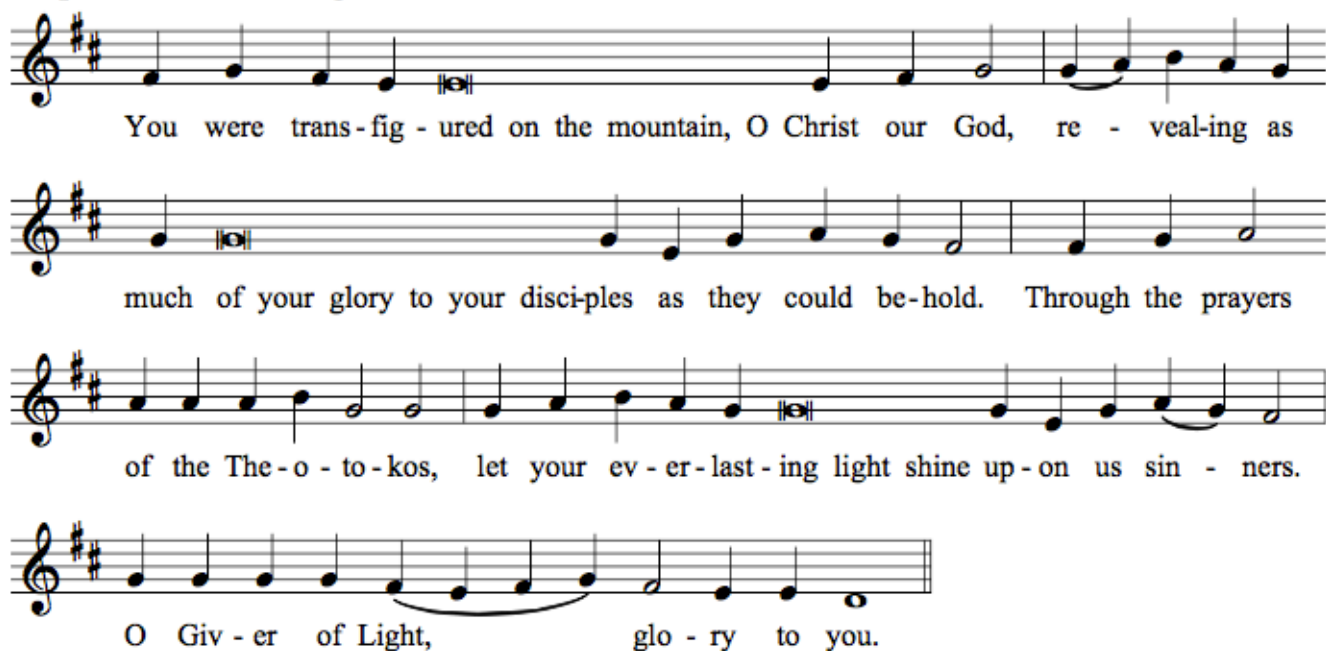
verse: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his love endures forever.

verse: They encircled me, compassed me about; in the Lord's name I crushed them.

verse: I shall not die, I shall live and recount the deeds of the Lord.

verse: The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.  
This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes.

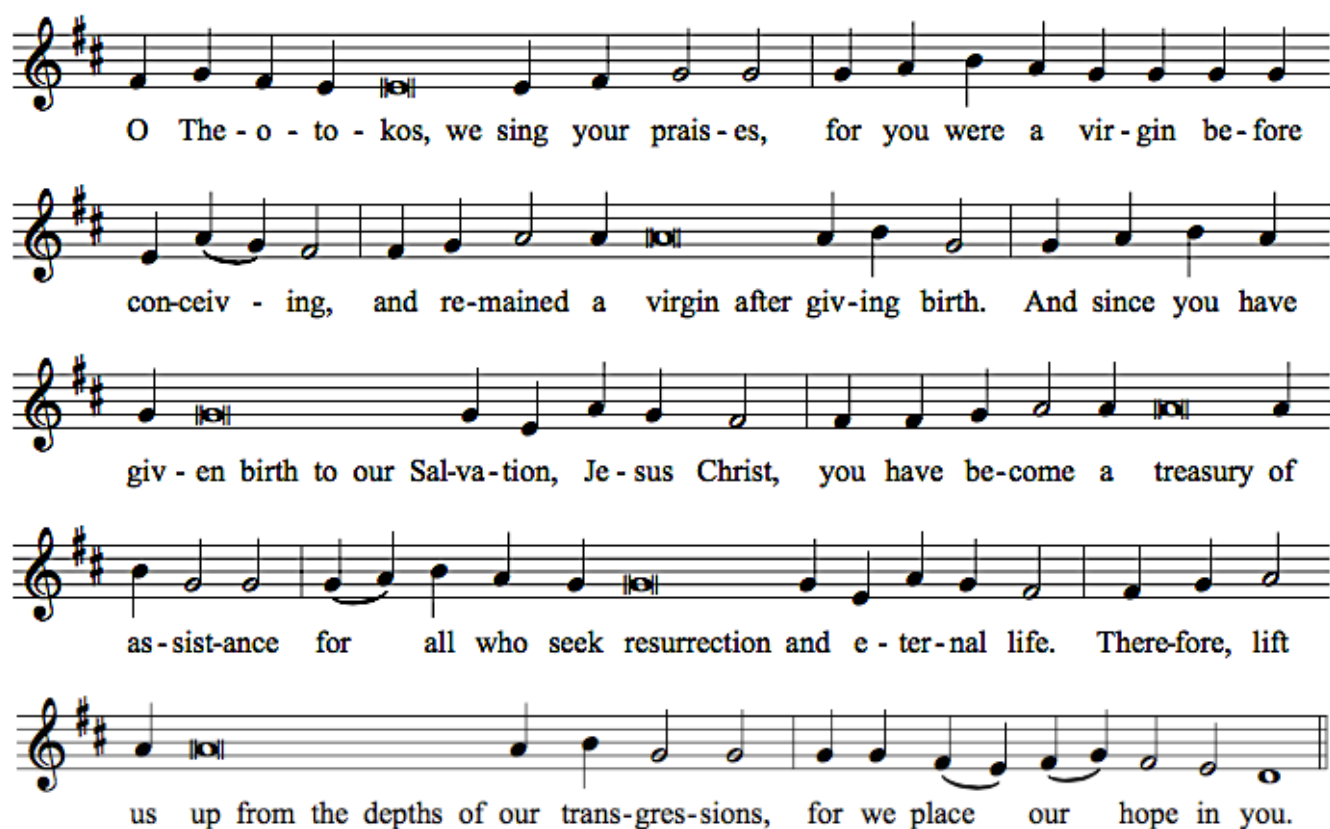
**Troparion of the Transfiguration: Tone 7**



You were trans-fig-ured on the mountain, O Christ our God, re-veal-ing as  
much of your glory to your disci-ples as they could be-hold. Through the prayers  
of the The-o-to-kos, let your ev-er-last-ing light shine up-on us sin-ners.  
O Giv-er of Light, glo-ry to you.

**Cantor:** Glory... now and ever...

**Festal Theotokion: Tone 7**



O The-o-to-kos, we sing your prais-es, for you were a vir-gin be-fore  
con-ceiv-ing, and re-mained a virgin after giv-ing birth. And since you have  
giv-en birth to our Sal-va-tion, Je-sus Christ, you have be-come a treasury of  
as-sist-ance for all who seek resurrection and e-ter-nal life. There-fore, lift  
us up from the depths of our trans-gres-sions, for we place our hope in you.

**Sessional Hymn 1: *Tone 4 Troparion***

Show-ing the change that mortals will un-der-go, O Lord, when they en-ter  
your glory at your second and awe-some com-ing, you were trans-fig-ured  
on Mount Ta-bor. E-li-jah and Mo-ses con-versed with you;  
and see-ing your glory, the three disciples whom you had cho-sen  
were struck with your splen-dor, O Lord. As you cov-ered them with your bright-ness,  
al-so send your light up-on our souls.

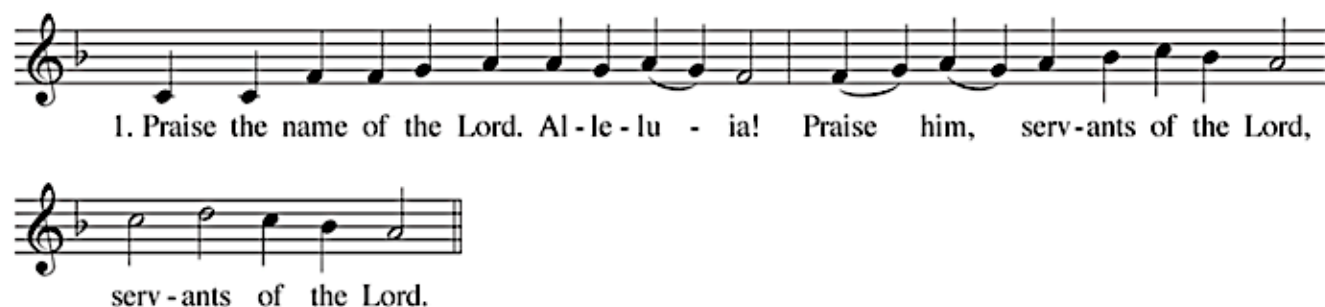
**Sessional Hymn 2: *Tone 4 Troparion***

You were trans-fig-ured on Mount Ta-bor, O Je-sus; a bright cloud  
cov-ered your apostles with your glory as with a tent, O Lord. They cast  
their fac-es to the ground, un-a-ble to gaze upon the inaccessible glory of your

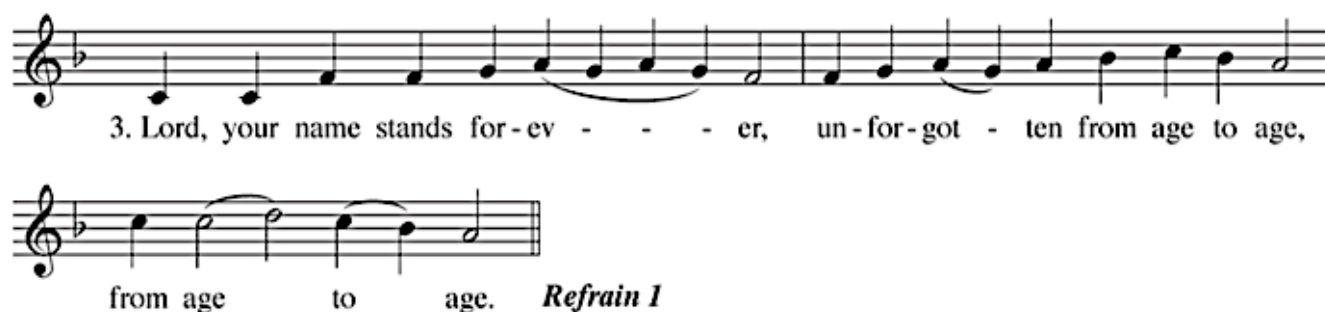




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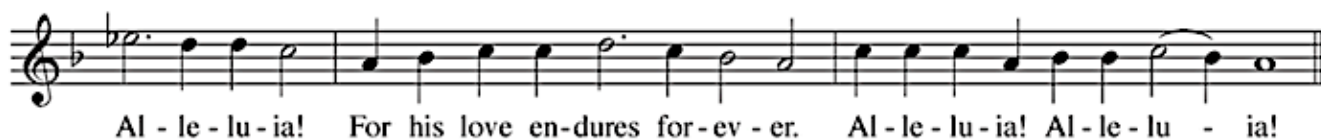


### Refrain 1

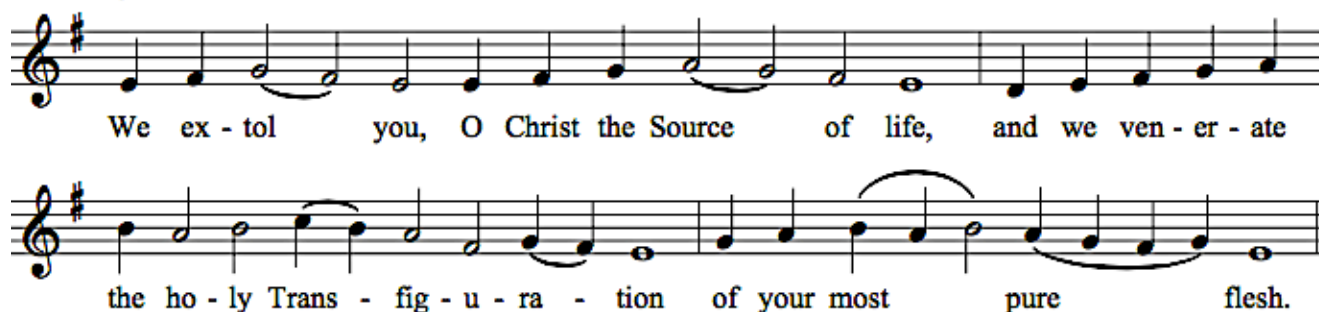




**Refrain 2**



### Exaltation



*Verse:* The Lord is great and worthy to be praised in the city of our God and on his holy mountain.

*Verse:* Lord, who shall be admitted to your tent and dwell on your holy mountain?

*Verse:* Who shall climb the mountain of the Lord? Who shall stand in his holy place?

*Verse:* Glory...now and ever...

*Three times*



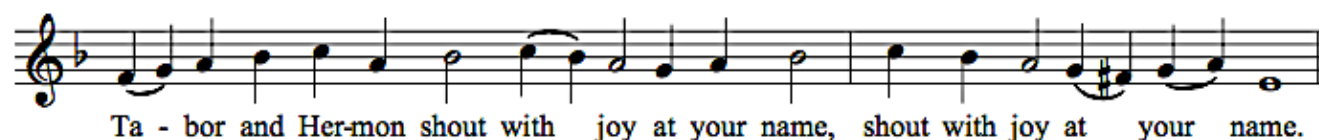
### Prokeimenon

**Deacon:** Let us be attentive!

**Priest:** Peace ✠ be to all!

**Deacon:** Wisdom! Be attentive!

**Matins Prokeimenon: Tone 4**



*Verse:* The heavens are yours; the world is yours.

## Preparation for the Gospel

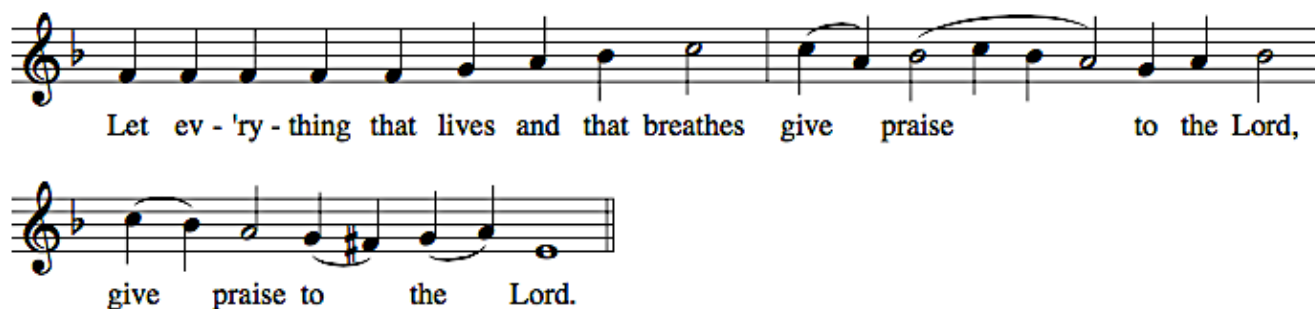
**Deacon:** Let us pray to the Lord.



**Priest:** For you are holy, O our God, and you dwell in the holy place, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever.



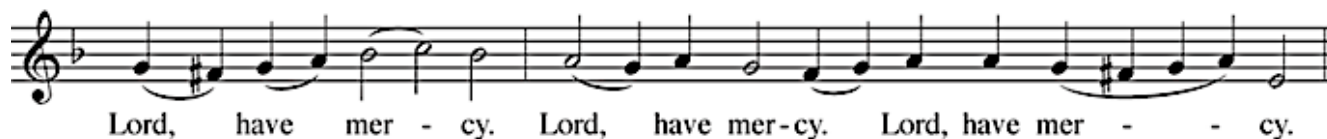
**Deacon:** Let everything that lives and that breathes give praise to the Lord!



**Verse:** Praise God in his holy place;  
praise him in his mighty heavens.

**Deacon:** That we may be deemed worthy of hearing the holy Gospel, let us pray to the Lord, our God.

**Response:**




**Deacon:** Wisdom! Let us stand and listen to the Holy Gospel.

**Priest:** Peace ✠ be to all!

**Response:**   
And to your spir - it, to your spir - - - it.


**Priest:** A reading of the Holy Gospel according to the holy apostle and evangelist  
(*Name*).

**Response:**

  
Glo - ry to you, glo - ry to you, O Lord, glo-ry to you.

*The Gospel is read.*

**Response:**

  
Glo - ry to you, glo - ry to you, O Lord, glo-ry to you.



## Psalm 50

Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness.  
In your compassion blot out my *offense*.

O wash me more and more from my guilt  
and cleanse me from *my* sin.

My offenses truly I know them;  
my sin is always *before* me.

Against you, you alone, have I sinned;  
what is evil in your sight I *have* done.

That you may be justified when you give sentence  
and be without reproach when *you* judge,

O see, in guilt I was born,  
a sinner was I *conceived*.

Indeed you love truth in the heart;  
then in the secret of my heart teach *me* wisdom.

O purify me, then I shall be clean;  
O wash me, I shall be whiter *than* snow.

Make me hear rejoicing and gladness,  
that the bones you have crushed *may* thrill.

From my sins turn away your face  
and blot out all *my* guilt.

A pure heart create for me, O God;  
put a steadfast spirit *within* me.

Do not cast me away from your presence,  
nor deprive me of your *holy* spirit.

Give me again the joy of your help;  
with a spirit of fervor *sustain* me,

that I may teach transgressors your ways  
and sinners may return *to* you.

O rescue me, God, my helper,  
and my tongue shall ring out *your* goodness.

O Lord, open my lips  
and my mouth shall declare *your* praise.

For in sacrifice you take no delight,  
burnt offering from me you would *refuse*,

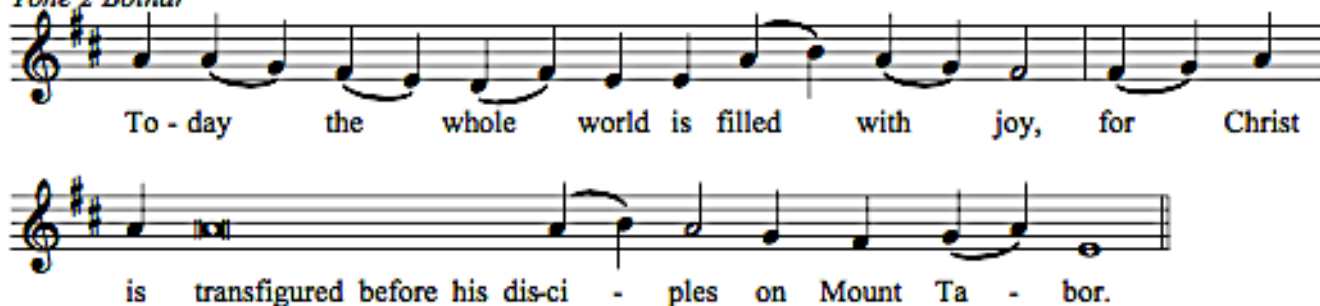
my sacrifice, a contrite spirit,  
a humbled, contrite heart you will *not* spurn.

In your goodness, show favor to Zion:  
rebuild the walls of *Jerusalem*.

Then you will be pleased with lawful sacrifice,  
burnt offerings wholly consumed,  
then you will be offered young bulls on *your* altar.

**Cantor:** Glory...

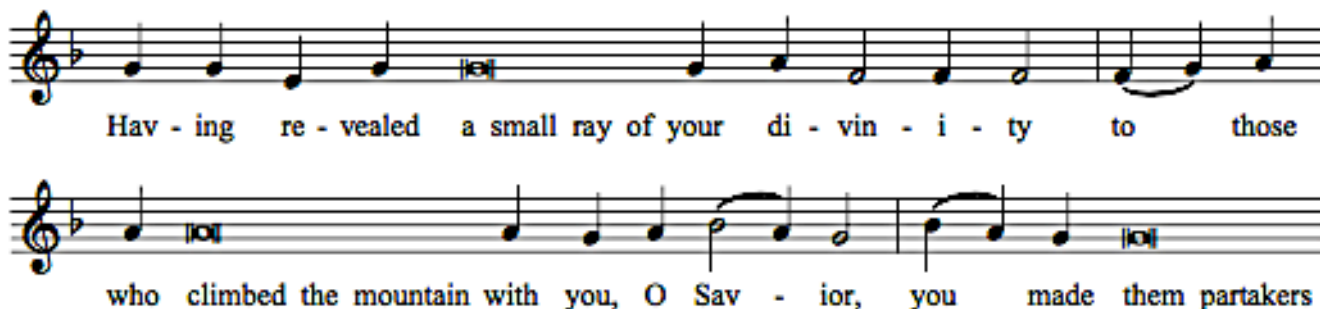
*Tone 2 Bolhar*

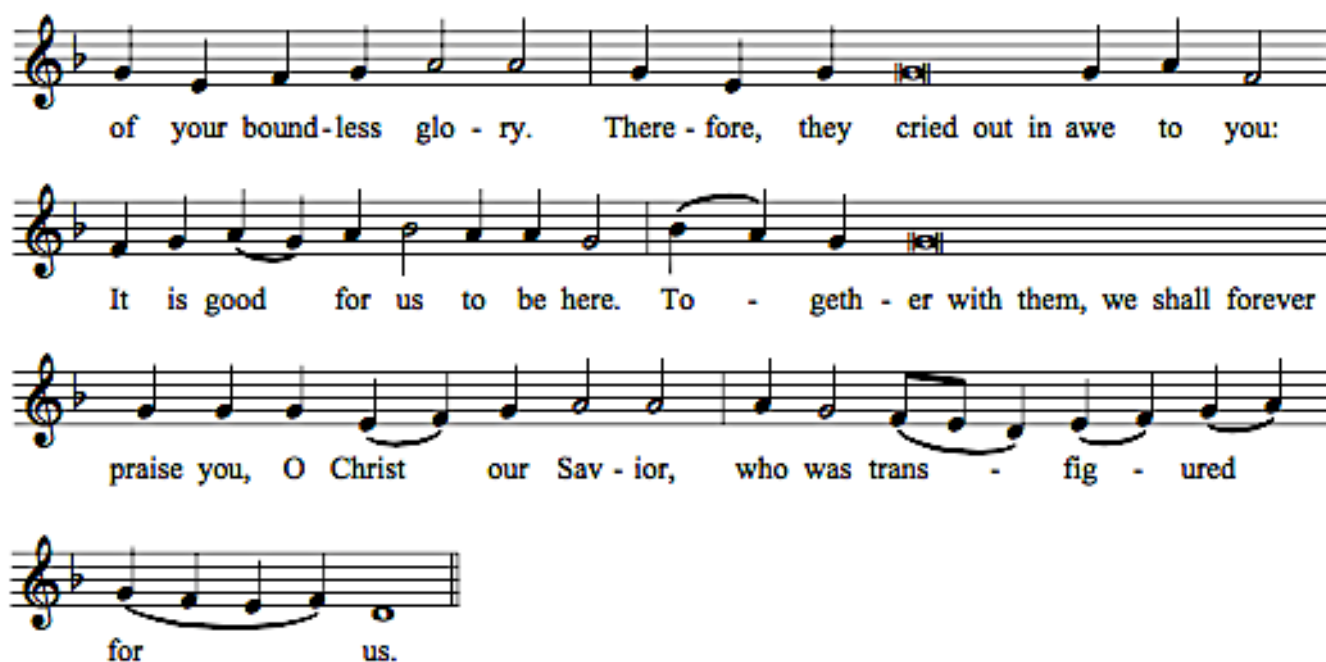


**Cantor:** Now and ever...Repeat "Today the whole world..."

**Cantor:** Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness.  
In your compassion blot out my offense.

*Tone 5 samohlasen*





**Deacon:** Save your people, O God, and bless your inheritance. Watch over your world in mercy and compassion. Exalt the strength of true Christians and send down upon us your abundant mercies. Through the prayers of our all-pure Lady, the Theotokos and ever-virgin Mary; through the power of the precious and life-creating Cross; through the protection of the honorable, heavenly, and angelic powers; through the prayers of the honorable and glorious prophet, forerunner, and baptist John; of the holy, glorious, and illustrious apostles; of our holy fathers, the great hierarchs and universal teachers: Basil the Great, Gregory the Theologian, and John Chrysostom; of our holy father Nicholas the Wonderworker, Archbishop of Myra in Lycia; of the holy equals to the apostles and teachers of the Slavs, Cyril and Methodius; of the holy equal to the apostles, the faithful great prince Vladimir; of the holy martyr Josaphat, bishop of Polotsk; of the blessed martyr Theodore, bishop of Mukačevo; of our blessed fathers and confessors Paul, bishop of Prešov; and Basil, bishop of Medila; of the holy, glorious, and victorious martyrs; of our venerable and God-bearing fathers, Anthony and Theodosius of the Monastery of the Caves, and of our other venerable and God-bearing fathers; of the holy and just ancestors of God, Joachim and Anna; and of all the saints; we beseech you, all-merciful Lord, hear the prayers of us sinners and have mercy on us.

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mer - cy. (sung twice)

*The priest, standing before the Holy Doors, says*

**Priest:** O Lord our God, you have given us forgiveness through repentance, and as a model of knowledge and confession of sins, you have revealed to us the repentance of the prophet David that led to pardon. Master, have mercy on us who have fallen into so many and so great sins. Have mercy in your kindness, and in your compassion blot out our offenses, for against you have we sinned, O Lord, who know the hidden depths of our hearts, and who alone have the power to forgive sins. A pure heart you have created for us; you have sustained us with a spirit of fervor and have given us the joy of your help. Do not cast us away from your presence, but in your goodness and love for all, grant that we may offer a sacrifice of righteousness and oblation on your holy altar until our last breath. Through the mercies and goodness and love of your only begotten Son, with whom you are blessed, together with your good and life-creating Spirit, now and ever and forever.

**Response:**

A - men.

## Canon

*with Katavasiai of the Procession of the Cross*

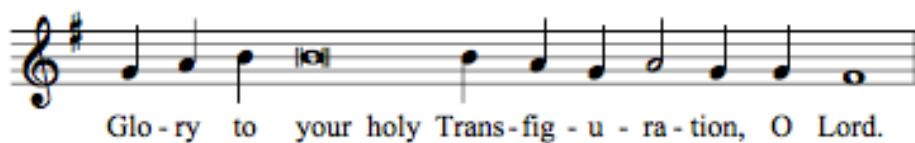
Ode 1

Irmos



The choirs of Is - ra - el passed dry-shod a-cross  
the Red Sea and the wa - t'ry deep; and be-hold-ing  
the rid - ers and cap-tains of the en - e - my swal - - -  
-lowed by the wa-ters, they cried out for joy:  
Let us sing to our God, for he has been glo - ri - fied.

Refrain

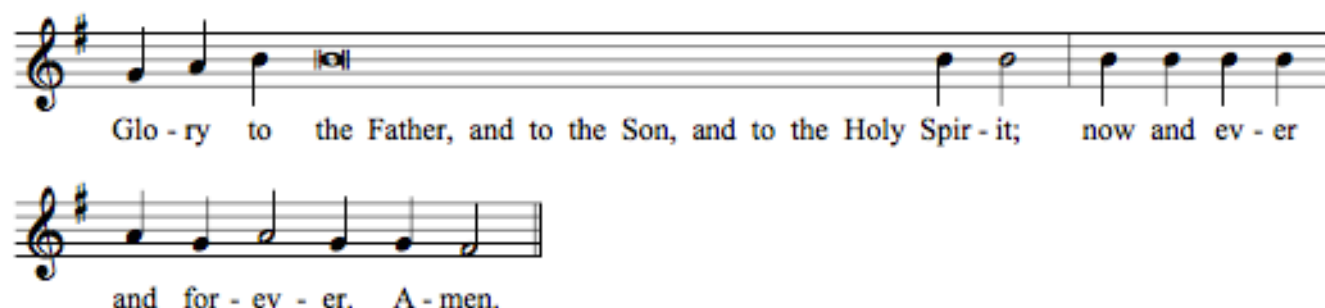


Glo - ry to your holy Trans-fig - u - ra - tion, O Lord.

Christ spoke to his apostles the words of life concerning the kingdom of God by saying: When you see me shining with the unapproachable light, you shall know that the Father is in me, and you will joyfully cry out: Let us sing a hymn of victory to God. *Refrain*

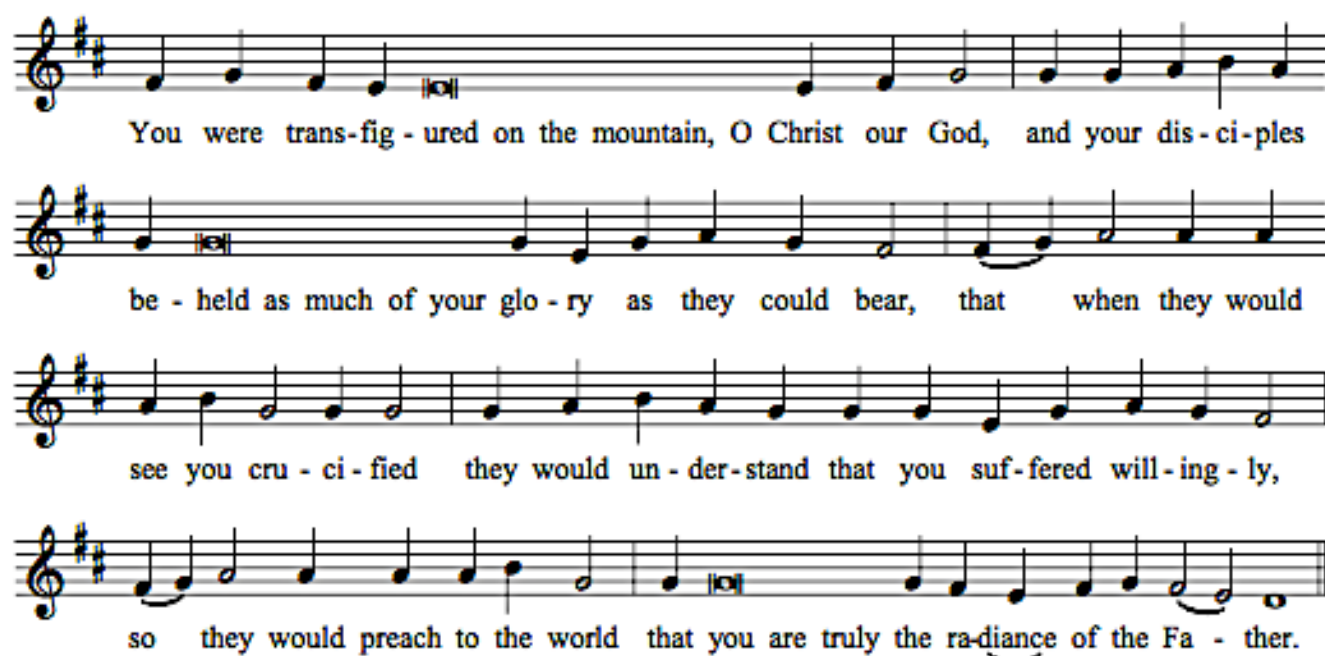


My friends and disciples, you shall overcome the power of the Gentiles, and their riches shall be your boast; for when I appear shining more brilliantly than the sun, you shall be filled with glory and joyfully cry out: Let us sing a hymn of victory to God.



Just as he promised, Christ appeared in glory today on Mount Tabor, clearly revealing to his disciples the image and reflection of his divinity. Filled with the divine brightness and splendor, the disciples cried out: Let us sing a hymn of victory to God.

**Kontakion:** *Tone 7*



**Ikos** Awake from the lethargy that has overcome you, do not lie there on the ground; and you thoughts which weigh heavily upon my soul, arise and ascend to the summit of godliness. Let us hasten to join Peter and the sons of Zebedee, that we may behold with them the glory of God on Mount Tabor and hear the voice from heaven which they themselves heard. It impelled them to proclaim to the world that they had witnessed the glory of the Father.

## Ode 8

### Irmos

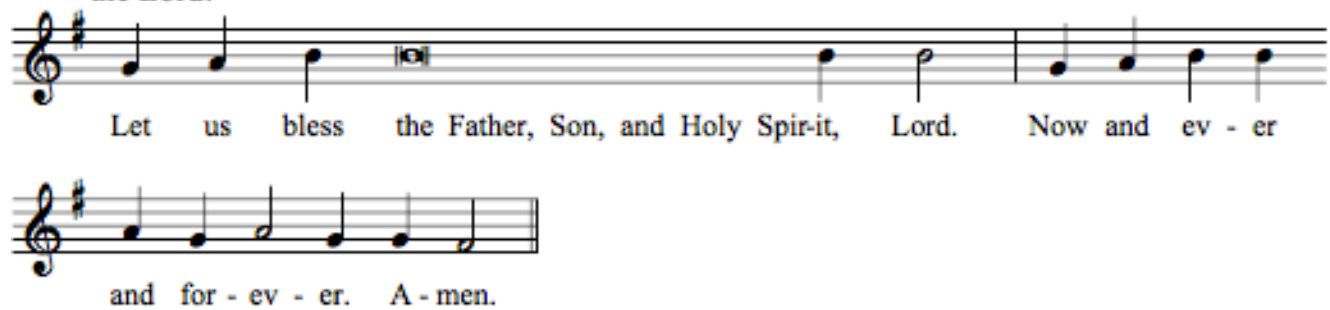
In Bab - y - lon, the chil - - - dren, burn - - - ing with  
zeal for God, brave - - - ly tram - - - - - pled  
up - on the threat of the ty - rant and the fire; and, thrown  
in - to the midst of the flames but re - freshed with dew,  
they sang: O all you works of the Lord, bless the  
Lord!  
Glo - ry to your holy Trans - fig - u - ra - tion, O Lord.

Your feet have ascended Mount Tabor, O Lord, even though you keep all things in existence by your will. At that time your face became brighter than the light of the sun; and present with you were the chosen of the Law and the Prophets, singing: All you works of the Lord, bless the Lord! *Refrain*

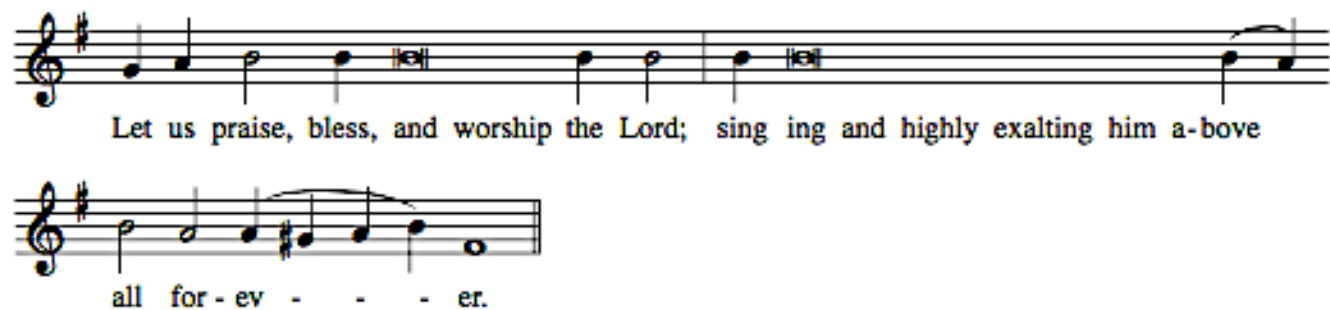
When the glory of the Father who bestows majesty to all creation, the infinite Light that knows no evening, indescribably appeared in brilliant glory on Mount Tabor, he deified our human nature so that all may sing: All you works of the Lord, bless the Lord! *Refrain*

Overcome with awe, Moses and Elijah clearly witnessed the appearance of Christ on Mount Tabor. Seeing his divine person brilliantly shining with the brightness of the Father, they sang: All you works of the Lord, bless the Lord! *Refrain*

In times past, the face of Moses was radiant when he heard the divine voice in the darkness, but Christ clothes himself with light and glory as with a robe. For he who is the Creator of light by nature gives light to those who sing: All you works of the Lord, bless the Lord!

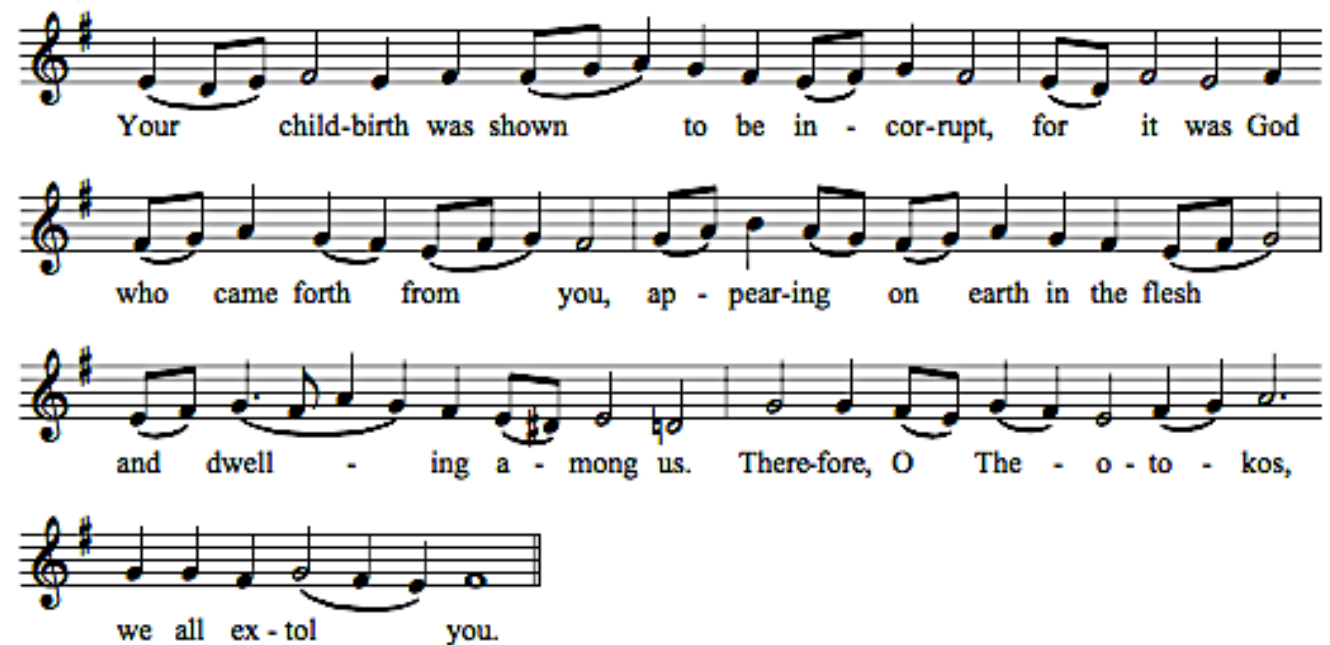


When the disciples beheld Christ on Mount Tabor surrounded by a cloud of light, they fell to the ground. Filled with spiritual brightness, they praised him, together with the Father and the Spirit, by singing this hymn: All you works of the Lord, bless the Lord!



## Ode 9

### Irmos



### Refrain



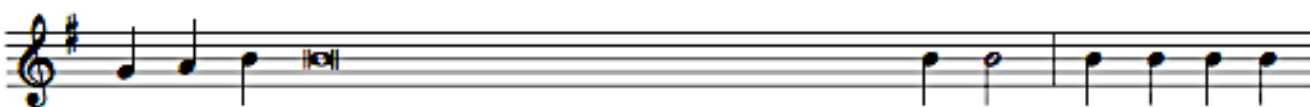
Glo - ry to your holy Trans - fig - u - ra - tion, O Lord.

Overcome with awe and enlightened with a heavenly brightness, the disciples looked at one another and fell to the ground in their fear and worshipped you, O Master of all.

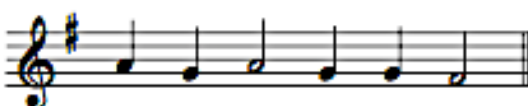
### Refrain

Confirming this mystery, the voice of God was heard from the cloud; for the Father of lights spoke to the apostles and said: This is my beloved Son. Hear him! *Refrain*

The disciples of the Word beheld an extraordinary mystery on Tabor; and when they heard the voice of the Father, they cried out: This is our Savior, the image of the Father.



Glo - ry to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spir - it; now and ev - er



and for - ev - er. A - men.

We praise you, along with the Father and the Spirit, O faithful Image of the One-Who-Is, O Seal that cannot be taken away or changed, Son and Word, Wisdom and Arm of God, Right Hand and Power of the Most High.

### Hymn of Light

O Word and unchangeable Light, O Light of the unbegotten Father, today we see your light on Tabor, the light of the Father and the light of the Spirit, which gives light to the whole world. *(Three times)*



## The Psalms of Praise

### Psalm 148 Tone 4

Let ev'rything that lives and that breathes give praise to the Lord. Praise the Lord  
from the heav - ens, praise him in the heights. To you is  
due a hymn, O God. Praise him, all his an - - - gels,  
praise him, all his host. To you is due a hymn, O God.

Praise him, sun and moon, \*  
praise him, shining stars.  
Praise him, highest heavens \*  
and the waters above *the* heavens.  
Let them praise the name of the Lord, \*  
He commanded; they *were* made.  
He fixed them forever, \*  
gave a law which shall not pass *away*.  
Praise the Lord from the earth, \*  
sea creatures and *all* oceans,  
fire and hail, snow and mist, \*  
stormy winds that obey *his* word;  
all mountains and hills, \*  
all fruit trees *and* cedars,  
beasts, wild and tame, \*  
reptiles and birds on *the* wing;  
all earth's kings and peoples,  
earth's princes *and* rulers.  
young men and maidens, \*  
old men together *with* children.



Let them praise the name of the Lord \*  
 for he alone is *exalted*.  
 The splendor of his name \*  
 reaches beyond heaven *and* earth.  
 He exalts the strength of his people, \*  
 he is the praise of all *his* saints,  
 of the children of Israel, \*  
 of the people to whom he *comes* close.

Sing a new song to the Lord, \*  
 his praise in the assembly of *the* faithful.  
 Let Israel rejoice in its Maker, \*  
 let Zion's sons exult in *their* king.  
 Let them praise his name with dancing \*  
 and make music with timbrel *and* harp.  
 For the Lord takes delight in his people. \*  
 He crowns the poor with *salvation*.  
 Let the faithful rejoice in their glory, \*  
 shout for joy and take *their* rest.  
 Let the praise of God be on their lips \*  
 and a two-edged sword in *their* hand,  
 to deal out vengeance to the nations \*  
 and punishment on all *the* peoples;  
 to bind their kings in chains \*  
 and their nobles in fetters *of* iron.  
 to carry out the sentence pre-ordained: \*  
 this honor is for all *his* faithful.

**Psalm 150** Praise God in his holy place, \*  
 praise him in his mighty heavens.

**Cantor:** Praise him for his powerful deeds,  
 (on 4) praise his surpassing greatness.

Be - fore your noble suffering and cross, O Mas - ter, you took your chosen

a - pos - tles to Mount Ta - bor, show - ing them your glo - ry. When they saw you  
trans - figured and more brill - iant than the sun they fell to the ground and cried out:  
You are the eternal light and the radiance of the Fa - ther; and al - though un - changed,  
you ap - pear in the flesh.

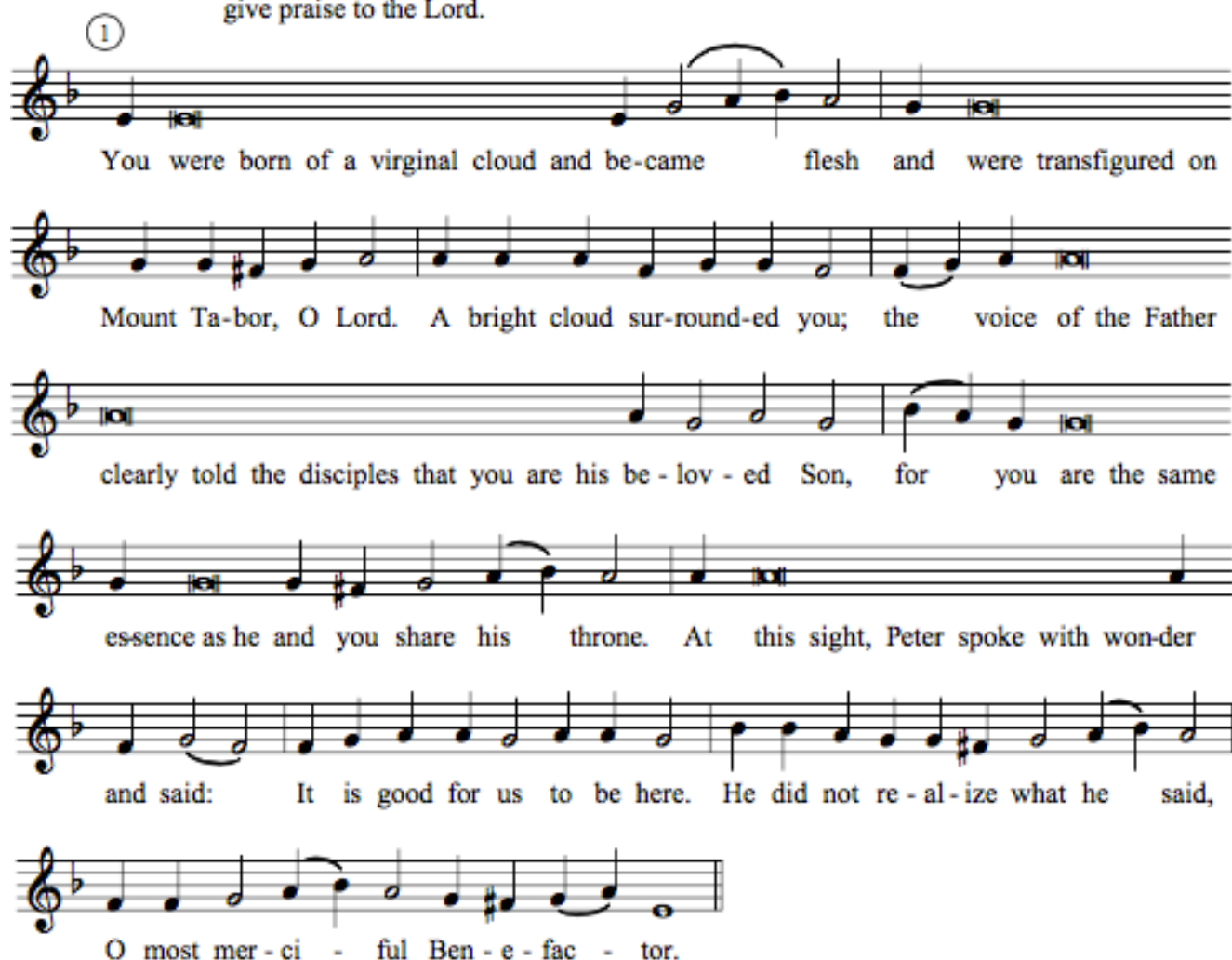
**Cantor:** O praise him with sound of trumpet  
(on 3) praise him with lute and harp. (*Repeat "Before your noble suffering..."*)

**Cantor:** Praise him with timbrel and dance,  
(on 2) praise him with strings and pipes.

O God the Word, you are from all e - ter - ni - ty, and you are clothed with light  
as with a robe. Trans - figured before your dis - ci - ples, you shone more bright - ly  
than the sun. Mo - ses and E - li - jah stood at your side re - vealing you as Lord  
of the living and the dead. They glo - rified your ineffable work of sal - va - tion,



**Cantor:** O praise him with resounding cymbals,  
(on 1) praise him with clashing of cymbals.  
Let everything that lives and that breathes  
give praise to the Lord.



**Cantor:** (Tone 8) Glory...now and ever...

**Doxastikon**

**Tone 8**

Christ took his dis - ci - ples, Pe - ter, James, and John, and was trans - fig - ured  
on a high mountain in their pres - ence. His face be - came as bright as the sun,  
and his gar - ments were whit - er than the snow. Mo - ses and Elijah ap - peared and  
spoke with him, and a bright cloud came o - ver them; a voice was heard from the  
clouds, say - - - ing: This is my be - lov - ed Son in whom I am  
well pleased. Hear him!

*The service continues on page 41*

**Great Doxology**

**Priest:** Glory to you who show us the light!

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and to peo - ple on earth,  
peace and good will. We praise you, we bless you,

we wor-ship you, we glo-ri-fy you, we thank you for your great

glo-ry. Lord God, heav'n-ly King, Fa-ther Al-might-y;

Lord, on-ly be-got-ten Son, Jesus Christ, and Ho-ly Spir-it. Lord God,

Lamb of God, Son of the Fa-ther, you take a-way the sin of the world,

have mer-cy on us. You take a-way the sins of the world, hear our pray'r.

You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther, have mer-cy on us.

For you a-lone are ho-ly, you a-lone are Lord, Je-sus Christ,

to the glory of God the Fa-ther. A-men. I will bless you day aft-er

day, and praise your name for-ev-er. Make us wor-thy, O Lord,



to be kept sin - less this morn - ing. Bless - ed are you, O Lord,

the God of our fa - thers, and praise - wor - thy and glorious is your name for - ev - er.

A - men. May your mer - cy, O Lord, be up - on us who have placed our  
*reverence*

hope in you. Bless - ed are you, O Lord; teach me your com - mand - ments.

*reverence*  
Bless - ed are you, O Mas - ter; make me understand your com - mand - ments.

*reverence*  
Bless - ed are you, O Ho - ly One; enlighten me with your com - mand - ments.

O Lord, you have been our re - fuge from one gen - er - a - tion to the next.

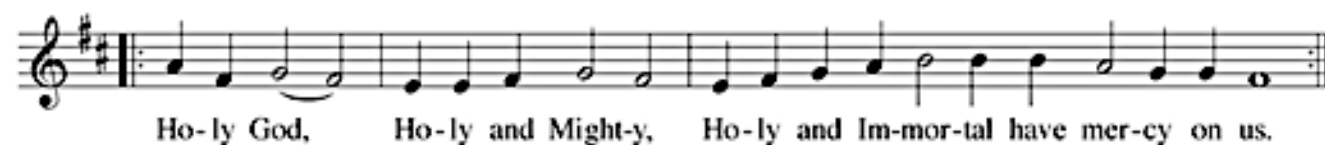
I said: Lord, have mercy on me, heal my soul for I have sinned a - gainst you.

O Lord, I have fled to you for re - fuge. Teach me to do your will, for

you, O Lord, are my God. In you is the source of life and in your

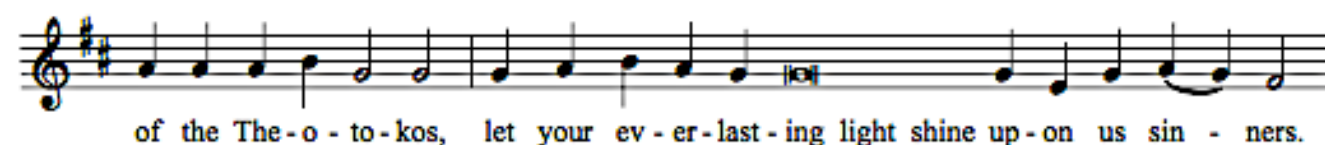
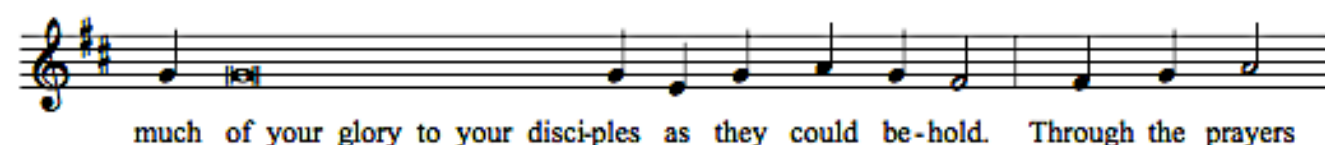
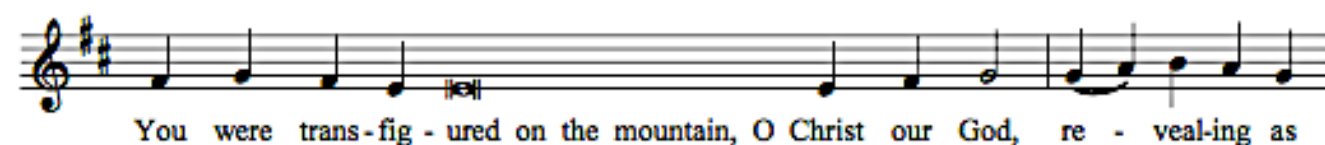


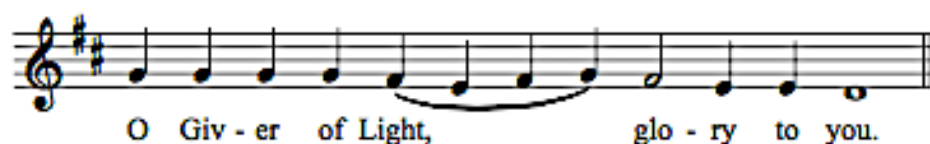
*Three times, each with a bow:*



*bow, and sung more slowly*

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### Litany of Supplication

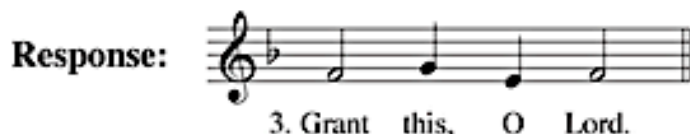
**Deacon:** Let us complete our morning prayer to the Lord



**Deacon:** Protect us, save us, have mercy on us, and preserve us, O God, by your grace.



**Deacon:** That this whole day be perfect, holy, peaceful, and without sin, let us beseech the Lord.



**Deacon:** For an angel of peace, a faithful guide, a guardian of our souls and bodies, let us beseech the Lord.



**Deacon:** For the pardon and remission of our sins and offenses, let us beseech the Lord.

**Response:** Grant this, O Lord. (3)

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**Deacon:** For what is good and beneficial to our souls and for peace in the world, let us beseech the Lord.

**Response:** Grant this, O Lord (4)

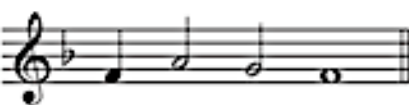
**Deacon:** That we spend the rest of our life in peace and repentance, let us beseech the Lord.

**Response:** Grant this, O Lord. (3)

**Deacon:** For a Christian, painless, unashamed, peaceful end of our life, and for a good account before the fearsome judgment seat of Christ, let us beseech the Lord.

**Response:** Grant this, O Lord. (4)

**Deacon:** Commemorating our most holy, most pure, most blessed and glorious Lady, the Theotokos and ever-Virgin Mary with all the Saints, let us commit ourselves and one another, and our whole life to Christ our God.

**Response:**   
To you, O Lord.

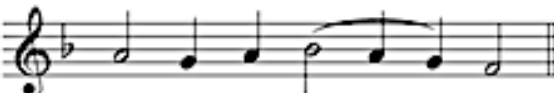
*The priest, standing before the Holy Doors, says:*

**Priest:** We sing to you, we praise you, we bless you, and we thank you, God of our Fathers, for you have banished the dark of night and shown us once again the light of day. We beseech you, forgive our sins and accept our prayer in your great tenderness of heart because we take refuge in you, the merciful and all-powerful God. Shine in our hearts your true Sun of Justice. Enlighten our minds and guard all our senses, so that walking blamelessly in the path of your commandments as in daylight, we may reach eternal life, for in you is the source of life. Make us worthy to enjoy the unapproachable light. For you are our God and we give glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever.

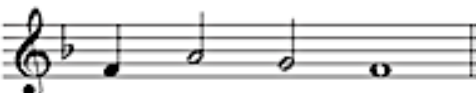
**Response:**   
A - men.

## Prayer over Bowed Heads

**Priest:** Peace ☩ be to all!

**Response:**   
And to your spir - it.

**Deacon:** Bow your heads to the Lord!

**Response:**   
To you, O Lord. ☩

**Priest:** Holy Lord, you dwell on high and look upon the lowly, and with your all-seeing eye you watch over all creation. To you we bend our neck in spirit and body and we implore you, O Holy of Holies, stretch forth your invisible hand from your holy dwelling place and bless us all. If we have sinned voluntarily or involuntarily forgive us as a good God who loves mankind and gives us earthly and heavenly gifts. For yours are mercy and salvation, O Christ our God, and we give glory to you, with your eternal Father and your life-creating Spirit, now and ever and forever.

**Response:**   
A - men.

## Dismissal

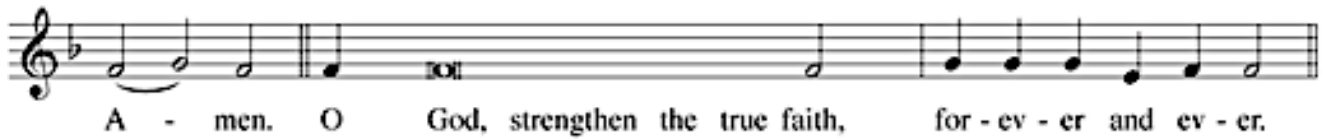
**Deacon:** Wisdom!

**Response:**   
Give the bless - ing!

**Priest:** Blessed is Christ our God, the One-Who-Is, always, now and ever and forever.

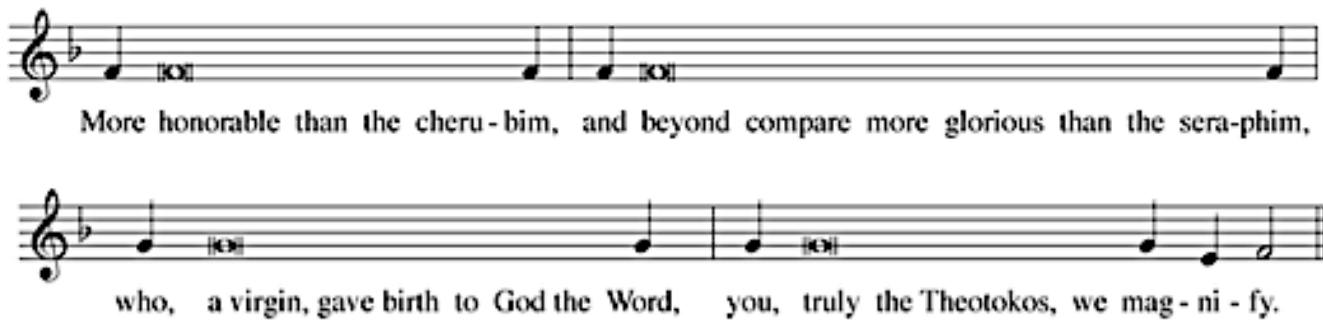


**Response:**



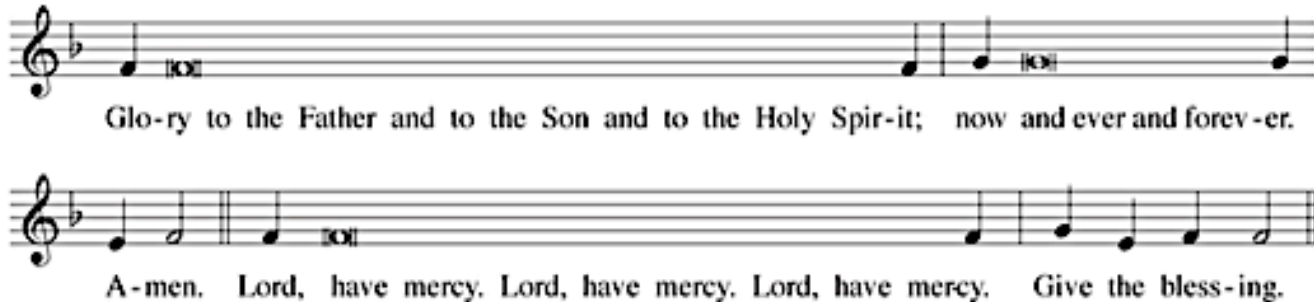
**Priest:** O most holy Theotokos, save us!

**Response:**



**Priest:** Glory to you, O Christ our God, our hope; glory to you!

**Response:**



**Priest:** May Christ our true God, who was transfigured in glory on Mount Tabor in the presence of his holy disciples and apostles, have mercy on us and save us, through the prayers of his most pure mother, through the prayers of *(Name)*, *(patron of the church)* and of all the saints; for Christ is good and loves us all.

