

Or this melody:

Sixth-century Text

Attributed to H. Skovoroda +1794

Let us who mystic-ly
re-present the che-ru - bim, re-present the
che - ru - bim and sing the
Thrice-ho-ly Hymn, sing the Thrice-ho-ly
Hymn to the life-giv-ing Trin - - i -
ty, now lay a - side
all cares of life, lay a - side all
cares of life.

*The hymn can be repeated if necessary.
(The hymn concludes after the Entrance)*

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Priest: †God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

Deacon: Master, lift it up.

The priest places the veil on the deacon's left shoulder and says:

Priest: Lift up your hands toward the holy places and bless the Lord.

Deacon: May the Lord God remember in His kingdom all you orthodox Christians, always, now and for ever and ever.

Priest: May the Lord God remember in His kingdom our most holy universal Pontiff, *[Name]*, Pope of Rome; our most blessed Patriarch (Major Archbishop), *[Name]*; our most reverend Metropolitan, *[Name]*, our God-loving bishop, *[Name]*, all the priestly, diaconal and religious orders; our nation under God, our government, and all the military; the noble and ever-to-be remembered founders and benefactors of this holy church and all you, orthodox Christians, always, now and for ever and ever.



A - men.

Priest: The noble Joseph took down Your most pure body from the tree. He wrapped it with a clean shroud and, with aromatic spices, placed it in a new tomb.

Taking the censer from the deacon, the priest incenses the holy gifts three times and says:

Deal favorably, O Lord, with Sion in Your good pleasure and let the walls of Jerusalem be rebuilt. Then You will be well pleased with a sacrifice of justice, oblations and holocausts; then they will lay calves upon Your altar.

Having given back the censer, he bows his head and says to the deacon:

Priest: Remember me, brother and fellow minister.

Deacon: May the Lord God remember your priesthood in His kingdom.

Priest: Pray for me, my fellow minister.

Deacon: The Holy Spirit will come upon you and the power of the Most High will overshadow you.

Priest: May this same Spirit act together with us all the days of our lives.

Deacon: Remember me, holy master.

Priest: May the Lord God remember you in His kingdom ☩ always, now and for ever and ever.

Deacon: Amen.

The deacon leaves by the north door and stands at his usual place.

Litany for the Gifts: That Our Offering Might be Acceptable

Deacon: Let us complete our prayer to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.

or:



Lord, have mer - cy.

[Some parishes retain "Hospody, pomylui" as the response.]

Deacon: For the precious gifts that have been presented, let us pray to the Lord.

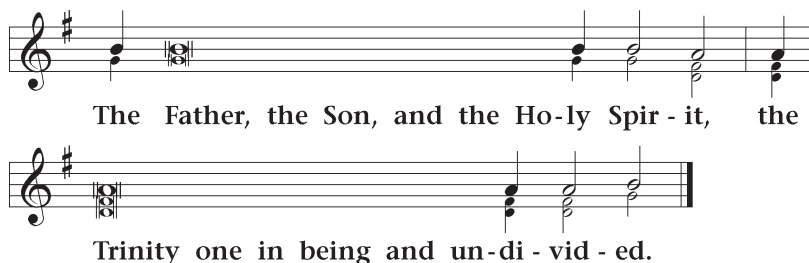


Lord, have mer - cy.

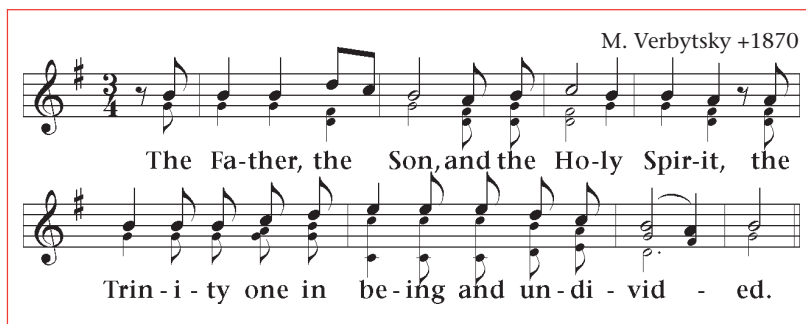
or:



Lord, have mer - cy.



The Father, the Son, and the Ho-ly Spir - it, the
Trinity one in being and un-di - vid - ed.

Or this melody:


M. Verbytsky +1870
The Fa-ther, the Son, and the Ho-ly Spir-it, the
Trin - i - ty one in be - ing and un - di - vid - ed.

Priest: ✠ I will love You, O Lord, my strength; the Lord is my stronghold and my refuge. *Thrice.*

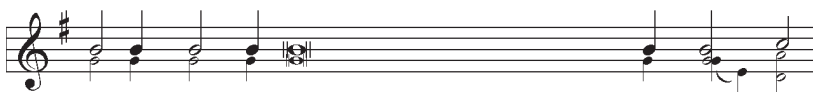
The concelebrants come according to rank and kiss the holy gifts, and embrace one another while saying: "Christ is among us." The response is: "He is and will be."

The deacons do likewise, kissing the cross on their orar and embracing one another with a kiss on the shoulder, saying the same.

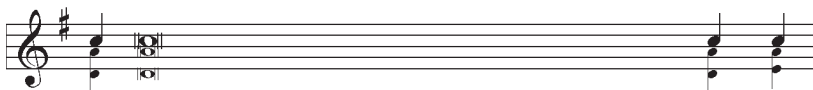
Or, the Creed may be sung thus:

Text of Nicea I (325) and Constantinople I (381)

Kievan Plainchant



I be-lieve in one God, the Father, the Al-might-y,



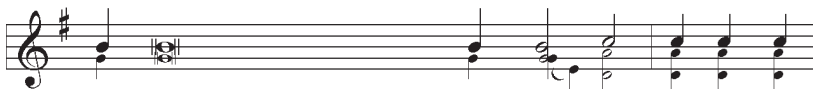
ma-ker of heaven and earth, of all that is seen and



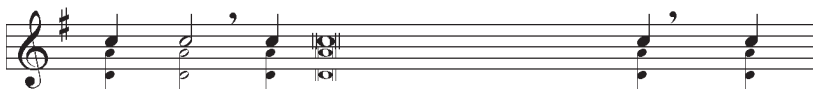
un-seen. I believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the on-ly



Son of God, e - ternally begot - ten of the Fa - ther.



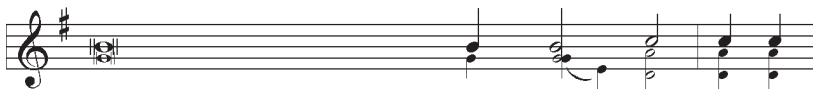
Light from Light, true God from true God, be-got-ten,



not made, one in being with the Fa-ther. Through



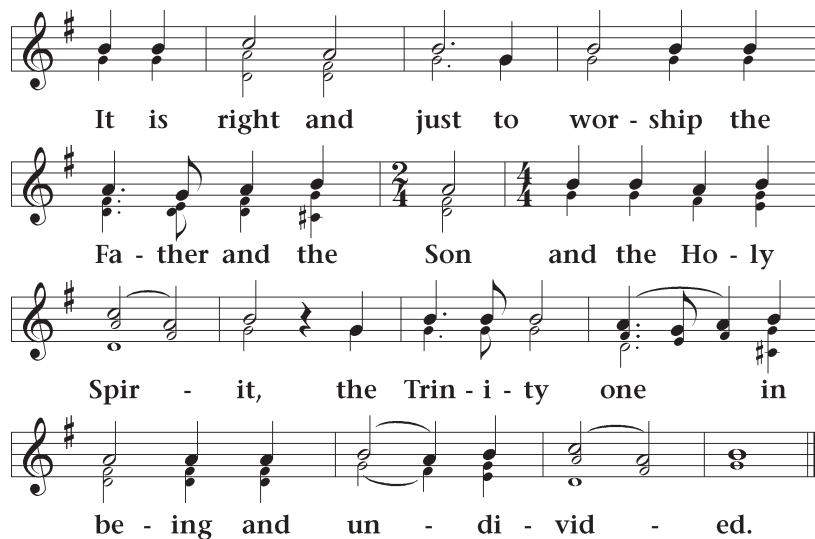
Him all things were made. For us men and for our



salvation He came down from heav - en: by the

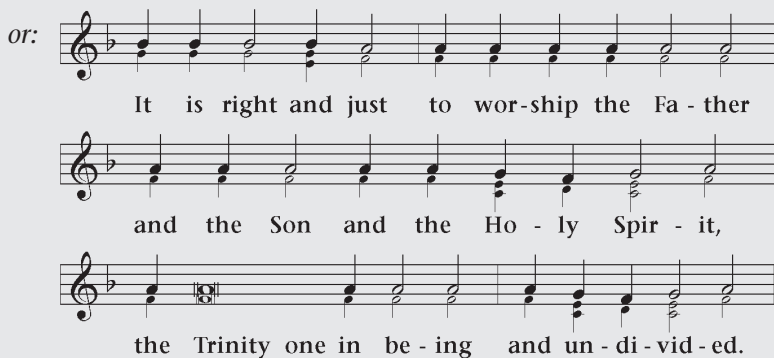
end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giv-er
of life, who pro-ceeds from the Fa-ther. With the
Fa-ther and the Son He is worshiped and glo-ri-fied.
He has spo-ken through the pro-phets, I be-lieve
in one, holy, catholic, and ap-os-tol-ic Church. I
ac - knowledge one baptism for the for - give - ness
of sins. I look for the re-sur-rec-tion of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. A - men.

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord.



It is right and just to wor - ship the
 Fa - ther and the Son and the Ho - ly
 Spir - it, the Trin - i - ty one in
 be - ing and un - di - vid - ed.

or:



It is right and just to wor-ship the Fa - ther
 and the Son and the Ho - ly Spir - it,
 the Trinity one in be - ing and un - di - vid - ed.

The Anaphora, the Great Eucharistic Prayer: We Give Thanks and Are Raised On High

Priest: It is right and just to sing of You, to bless You, to praise You, to thank You, to worship You everywhere in Your domain; for You are God-ineffable, inconceivable, invisible, incomprehensible, always existing and

heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry!

Ho - san - na in the high - est!

Bless - ed is He who comes in the name of the

Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Priest: With these blessed powers, O Master, who love mankind, we too cry out and say: Holy are You—truly, all holy—You and Your only-begotten Son and Your Holy Spirit. Holy are You—truly, all holy—and magnificent is Your glory. You so loved Your world as to give Your only-begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him might not perish but might have eternal life. After He had come and fulfilled the whole divine plan for our sake, on the night He was given over—or, rather, gave Himself for the life of the world—He took bread into His holy, most pure and immaculate hands, gave thanks, †blessed, sanctified and broke it; He gave it to His holy disciples and apostles, saying:

The Sanctifying Word of the Lord Himself

Priest: Take, eat: This is My body, which is broken for you for the forgiveness of sins.

A - - - - men.

or:

A - men.

or:

We sing of You, we bless You, we thank
You, O Lord, and we pray to you, our God.

The Epiclesis, the Invocation of the Sanctifying Spirit

Priest: Further, we offer to You this rational and unbloody worship; and we ask, we pray, and we entreat You: Send down Your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these Gifts here present.

Deacon: Master, bless the holy Bread.

Priest: ☩ And make this Bread the precious Body of Your Christ.

Deacon: Amen. Master, bless the holy chalice.

Priest: ☩ And that which in this chalice the precious Blood of Your Christ.

Deacon: Amen. Master, bless them both.

Priest: ☩ Changing them by Your Holy Spirit.

Deacon: Amen, amen, amen.

Priest: So that they may be for the communicants sobriety of soul, forgiveness of sins, fellowship of Your Holy Spirit, fulfillment of the kingdom of heaven, confidence before You and not for judgment or condemnation.

The Commemorations (Dptychs): The Lord's Presence Compels us to Remember the Entire Body of Christ



Priest: Further, we offer You this rational worship for those who have gone to their rest in faith: forefathers, fathers, patriarchs, prophets, apostles, preachers, evangelists, martyrs, confessors, ascetics, and for every righteous soul that finished this life in faith.

Priest: Especially, for our most holy and immaculate, most blessed and glorious Lady, the Mother of God and ever-virgin Mary.

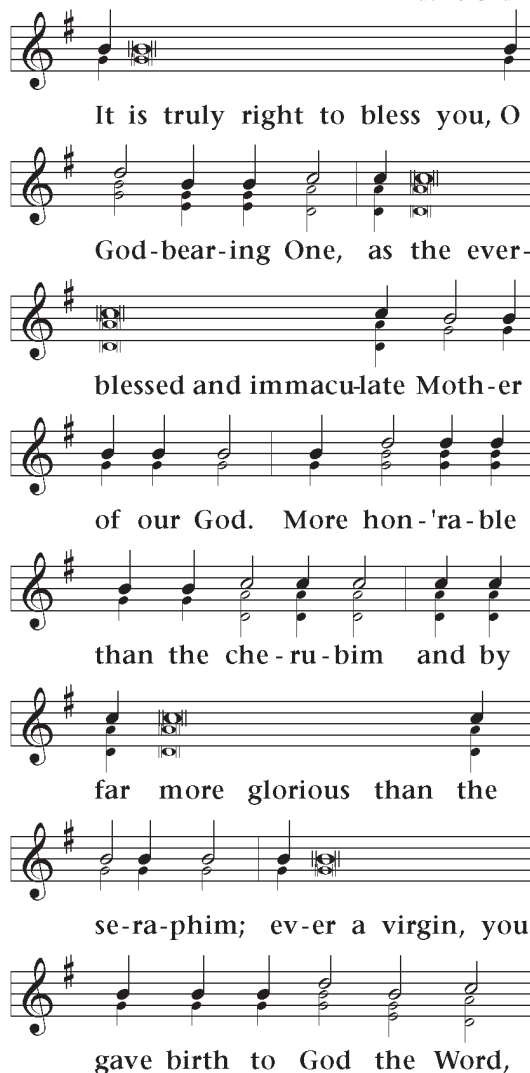
The priest makes three incensations in front of the holy altar. He then gives the censer to the deacon who incenses around the holy altar.

Or, this version instead:

Irmoi (irmosy) for the following feasts can be found on the pages listed below. They replace "It is truly right to bless you" on the feast day itself as well as the post-festive period indicated in parentheses.

Nativity of the Mother of God (September 8 to 12)–page 680;
Exaltation of the Cross (September 14 to 21)–page 690;
Entrance of the Mother of God into the Temple (November 21 to 25)–page 729;
Christmas (December 25 to 31)–page 760;
Synaxis of the Mother of God (December 26)–page 763;
Theophany (January 6 to 14)–page 793;

Matins Chant



It is truly right to bless you, O
God-bearing One, as the ever-
blessed and immaculate Mother
of our God. More hon-'ra-ble
than the che-ru-bim and by
far more glorious than the
se-ra-phim; ev-er a virgin, you
gave birth to God the Word,

the word of Your truth, the entire priesthood, the diaconate in Christ, and every sacred order. Further, we offer You this rational worship for the whole world, for the holy, catholic and apostolic Church, for those who live chaste and holy lives, for our nation under God, for our government, and for all in the military. Grant them, O Lord, a peaceful governance so that in their tranquility we may be able to lead calm and quiet lives in all piety and dignity!

Priest: Among the first, remember, O Lord, our most holy universal Pontiff, [Name], Pope of Rome; our most blessed Patriarch (Major Archbishop), [Name]; our most reverend Metropolitan, [Name]; our God-loving Bishop, [Name]. For the sake of Your holy churches grant that they may live in peace, safety, honor and health for many years, and rightly impart the word of Your truth.



And re - mem - ber all men and all wo - men.

Priest: Remember, O Lord, this city in which we live (*or* this village in which we live, *or* this monastery in which we live) and every city and country and the faithful who live in them. Remember, O Lord, the seafarers and travelers, the sick and the suffering, those held captive, and their salvation. Remember, O Lord, those who bear fruit doing good works in Your holy churches and remembering the poor. Send down Your mercy upon all of us. (*He commemorates by name those of the living whom he wishes.*)

Priest: And grant that with one voice and one heart we may glorify and sing the praises of Your most honored and magnificent name, ✠Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and for ever and ever.



A - men

Deacon: Help and save, have mercy and protect us, O God, by Your grace.

All: Lord, have mercy.

Deacon: That this whole day may be perfect, holy, peaceful, and sinless, let us ask the Lord.

Musical notation for the first part of the text. It consists of two staves. The first staff shows a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a 4/4 time signature. The melody is: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), C5 (quarter). The accompaniment is: G4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), C5 (quarter), G4 (quarter). The second staff is identical to the first. The text "Grant this, O Lord." is written below the first staff.

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

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Deacon: For the forgiveness and remission of our sins and offenses, let us ask the Lord.

All: Grant this, O Lord.

Deacon: For all that is good and beneficial for our souls and for peace for the world, let us ask the Lord.

All: Grant this, O Lord.

Deacon: That we may spend the rest of our lives in peace and repentance, let us ask the Lord.

All: Grant this, O Lord.

Deacon: For a Christian end to our lives, one that is painless, unashamed, and peaceful; and for a good defense at the awesome tribunal of Christ, let us ask.

All: Grant this, O Lord.

Deacon: Having asked for unity of the faith and for the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, let us commend ourselves and one another and our whole life to Christ our God.

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Priest: For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are Yours, ☩ Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and for ever and ever.



Priest: ☩ Peace be with all.



Deacon: Bow your heads to the Lord.



Priest: We give You thanks, O invisible King, for by Your infinite power You created all things and, in Your great mercy, brought all things from nothingness into being. Look down from heaven, O Master, upon those who have bowed their heads to You: for they have not bowed them down to flesh and blood, but to You, the awesome God. Therefore, O Master, make smooth the ways that lie before us all for our good and in accord with each one's personal need: sail with seafarers; travel with travelers; heal the sick, O Physician of our souls and bodies.

Exclamation: ☩ Through the grace, mercies and loving-kindness of Your only-begotten Son with Whom You are blessed together with Your most holy, good, and life-giving Spirit, now and for ever and ever.



The communion verse proper for the day or the saint is sung.

Weekday Communion Chants:

Monday: He makes spirits His àngèls,* and flaming fire His ministèrs
(*Psalms 103: 4*). Alleluia. *Thrice*

Tuesday: The just man shall be in everlasting remèmbrànce;* of
evil hearsay he shall hàve no feár (*Ps. 111: 6*). Alleluia. *Thrice*

Wednesday: I will take the chalice of salvàtìon;* and I will call upon
the nàme of the Lòrd (*Psalms 115: 4*). Alleluia. *Thrice*

Thursday: Their utterance has gone forth into àll the èàrth,* and their
words unto the ènds of the wórld (*Psalms 18: 5*). Alleluia. *Thrice*

Friday: Let the light of Your còuntenance, O Lòrd,* shine upòn ús
(*Psalms 4: 7*). Alleluia. *Thrice*

Saturday: Rejoice in the Lòrd, O you júst;* praise befits the rìghteóús
(*Psalms 32: 1*).

Blessed are they whom You have chosen and taken to Yoursèlf, O
Lòrd;* and let their memory be from generation to generàtìon
(*Psalms 64: 5*). Alleluia. *Thrice*

***Proper Communion verses for the following commemorations can
be found on the pages listed below:***

Bright Monday, page 510

Bright Tuesday, page 511

Mid-Pentecost, page 532

Pentecost Monday, page 574

September 1: Beginning of the Church Year, page 674

September 26: Falling Asleep of John the Theologian,
page 699

September 28: Chariton the Confessor, page 701

October 6: Thomas the Apostle, page 705

October 9: James Alphaeus, page 706

October 18: Luke the Evangelist, page 711

October 26: The Great-Martyr Demetrius, page 715

November 8: The Archangel Michael and All Bodiless Powers,
page 719

November 12: The Priest-Martyr Josaphat, Archbishop of
Polotsk, page 722

November 13: John Chrysostom, page 723

June 29: Saints Peter and Paul, Chief Apostles, page 854
 June 30: Synaxis of the Twelve Apostles, page 855
 July 2: The Placing of the Robe of the Mother of God at
 Blachernae, page 856
 July 5: Athanasius of Athos, page 857
 July 10: Anthony of the Kievan Caves Monastery, page 858
 July 15: Vladimir the Great, page 863
 July 20: Elias the Prophet, page 869
 July 24: Borys and Hlib, Passionbearers, page 871
 July 25: Dormition of Anna, the Mother of the Theotokos,
 page 872
 July 27: Panteleimon, Healer, page 873
 August 9: The Apostle Matthias, page 882
 August 14: The Transfer of the Relics of Theodosius of the Kievan
 Caves Monastery, page 883
 August 29: The Beheading of John the Baptist, page 894
 August 31: The Placing of the Sash of the Mother of God at
 Chalkoprateia, page 895

Communion Verses for The Common of the Saints

The Most Holy Mother of God, page 900
 Prophets, page 902
 One Apostle, page 903
 Two or More Apostles, page 905
 One Bishop, page 906
 Several Bishops, page 908
 Venerable Ones (Monks) and Fools for Christ, page 909
 One Martyr, page 910
 Several Martyrs, page 912
 One Woman Martyr, page 913
 Several Women Martyrs, page 914
 One Priest-Martyr (Hieromartyr), page 915
 Two or More Priest-Martyrs (Hieromartyrs), page 917
 One Venerable (Monastic) Martyr, page 918
 Two or More Venerable (Monastic) Martyrs, page 919
 One Venerable Woman (Nun), page 920
 Venerable (Monastic) Women, page 921
 A Confessor, page 922
 Holy Selfless Physicians, page 923

With heads bowed, the priest and deacon recite the Prayer before Communion. All partake with great care and reverence. The priest then bows and takes the sacred cup and purificator into both hands and partakes thereof saying:

Priest: I, the servant of God, [Name], a priest, partake of the precious and holy Blood of our Lord and God and Savior, Jesus Christ; for the forgiveness of my sins and for life everlasting. Amen.

This has touched my lips and shall remove my wickedness and purge my sins.

Priest: Deacon, approach.

The deacon approaches, and bows once, saying:

Deacon: Behold, I approach our immortal King and God. Master, give me the precious and holy Blood of our Lord and God and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Priest: The servant of God, deacon [Name], partakes of the precious and holy Blood of our Lord and God and Savior, Jesus Christ, for the forgiveness of his sins and for life everlasting.

After the deacon has received Communion, the priest says:

Priest: This has touched your lips and shall remove your wickedness, and purge your sins.

Prayer before Holy Communion

All: I believe, O Lord, and confess that You are truly Christ, the Son of the living God, Who came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am first. Accept me this day, O Son of God, as a partaker of Your mystical Supper. I will not tell the mystery to Your enemies, nor will I give You a kiss as did Judas, but like the thief, I confess to You:

✠Remember me, O Lord, when You come into Your kingdom.

✠Remember me, O Master, when You come into Your Kingdom.

✠Remember me, O Holy One, when You come into Your Kingdom.

May the partaking of Your Holy Mysteries, O Lord, be unto me not for judgement or condemnation but for the healing of soul and body.

✠God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

✠God, cleanse me of my sins and have mercy on me.

✠I have sinned without number, forgive me, O Lord.



Hymns that are appropriate during the distribution of Communion can be found on the pages listed below:

General Communion hymns, page 964

Paschal hymns, page 948

Christmas Carols, page 982

Hymns to the Cross, page 1010

Or, this melody:

From Ascension
Thursday until
Friday before
Pentecost we sing:
Be exalted,
O God, above the
heavens*; above
all the earth be
Your glory. *Once.*

At Christmas and its
post-feast, we can sing:
All creation is filled
with rejoicing
today*, for Christ is
born of a Virgin.

At Theophany and its
post-feast we can sing:
All creation is filled
with rejoicing
today*, for Christ
is baptized in the
Jordan.

Sticheron of Pentecost Simple Galician Chant

We have seen the true light.
We have received the heaven-ly
Spir-it. We have found the true
faith. We worship the undivid-
-ed Trin - i - ty for hav-ing
saved us.

Priest: Be exalted, O God, above the heavens; above all the earth be Your glory. *Thrice.*

Priest: ☩ Blessed be our God, always, now and for ever and ever.

A - men.

Or, this melody instead:

Easter Season: Christ is risen from the dead, trampling death by death; and to those in the tombs giving life. Thrice.

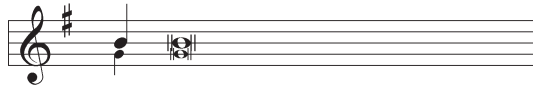
From Ascension Thursday until Friday before Pentecost we sing: Be exalted, O God, above the heavens; above all the earth be Your glory. Thrice.*

At Christmas and its post-feast, we can sing: All creation is filled with rejoicing today, for Christ is born of a Virgin. Thrice.*

At Theophany and its post-feast we can sing: All creation is filled with rejoicing today, for Christ is baptized in the Jordan. Thrice.*

Seventh-century Text

Simple Galician Chant



May our mouths be filled with



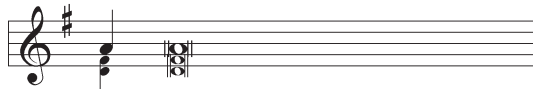
Your praise, O Lord, that we may



sing of Your glo - ry. For You



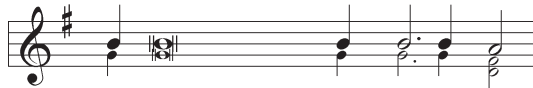
made us wor - thy to par - take



of Your holy divine, immortal



and life-giv - ing Mys - te - ries.



Pre - serve us in Your ho - li - ness



that we may meditate all the

The deacon loosens his orarion, leaves by the north door, stands in his customary place, and says:

The Thanksgiving Litany

Deacon: Stand aright! Having received the divine, holy, immaculate, immortal, heavenly, and life-giving, awesome Mysteries of Christ, let us rightly give thanks to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.

or:



Lord, have mer - cy.

[Some parishes retain "Hospody, pomylui" as the response.]

Deacon: Help and save, have mercy and protect us, O God, by Your grace.



Lord, have mer - cy.

or:



Lord, have mer - cy.

Deacon: Having asked that this whole day may be perfect, holy, peaceful, and sinless, let us commend ourselves and one another, and our whole life to Christ our God.



To You, O Lord.

Priest: We thank You, O Master, lover of mankind and benefactor of our souls, that even today You have made us worthy of Your heavenly and immortal Mysteries. Make straight our path. Make us all firm in fear of You. Protect our lives and secure our steps, through the prayers and supplications of the glorious Mother of God and ever-virgin Mary and of all Your saints.

***Alternate Ambo Prayers for the following Commemorations
can be found on the pages listed below:***

Monday (the Holy Incorporeal Powers), page 1082
Tuesday (the Forerunner, John the Baptist), page 1082
Wednesday (the Cross and the Mother of God), page 1082
Thursday (the Apostles and Saint Nicholas), page 1083
Friday (the Cross), page 1082
Saturday (All the Saints and the Deceased), page 1083

Bright Monday, page 510
Bright Tuesday, page 511
Mid-Pentecost, page 533
Pentecost Monday, page 574

December 27, Stephen the Protomartyr, page 770
January 1, Circumcision of Our Lord; and Saint Basil the Great,
page 778
January 30, Three Hierarchs, page 807
March 9, Forty Martyrs of Sebaste, page 818
June 24, Nativity of John the Baptist, page 849
June 29, Peter and Paul, Chief Apostles, page 854
August 29, Beheading of John the Baptist, page 894

For the Deceased (Funerals), page 943
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Being the fulfillment of the Law and the Prophets, O Christ our God, You fully achieved the whole of the Father's plan of salvation, fill our hearts with joy and gladness, always, now and for ever and ever. Amen.

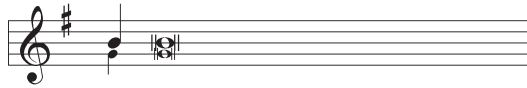
The Dismissal: We Are Empowered to Return into the World with the Message of God's Presence

Priest: The blessing of the Lord be upon you ☩ with His grace and love for mankind, always, now and for ever and ever.

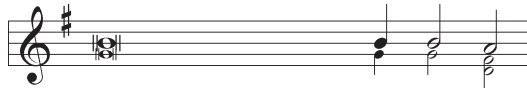


A-men.

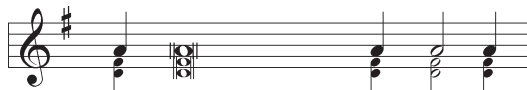
Priest: Glory be to You, O Christ our God, our hope, glory be to You.



Glo-ry be to the Father and to the



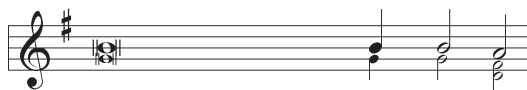
Son and to the Ho-ly Spir-it,



now and for ever and ev - er.

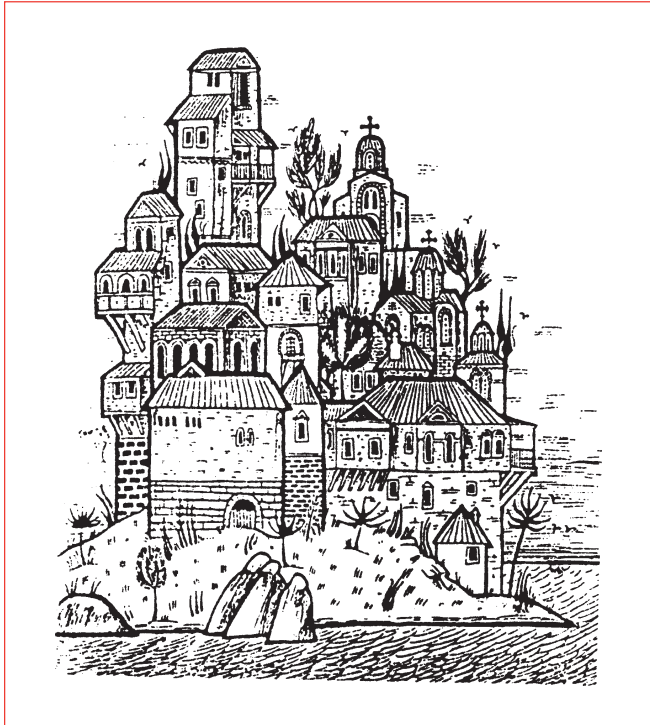


A-men. Lord, have mercy. Lord,



have mercy. Lord, have mer-cy.

Easter Season: Christ is risen from the dead, trampling death by death,* and to those in the tombs giving life. Lord, have mercy. *Thrice.* Give the blessing.



THE END OF THE DIVINE LITURGY

GLORY TO GOD!