

December 25th. Nativity of our Lord

Antiphon 1, Tone 2



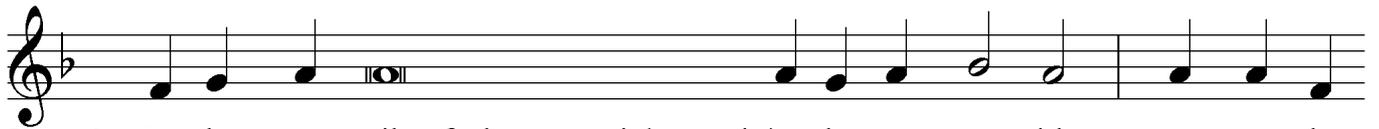
Verse 1: I shall thank you, O Lord, with my whole heart; I shall tell of all



your won - ders.



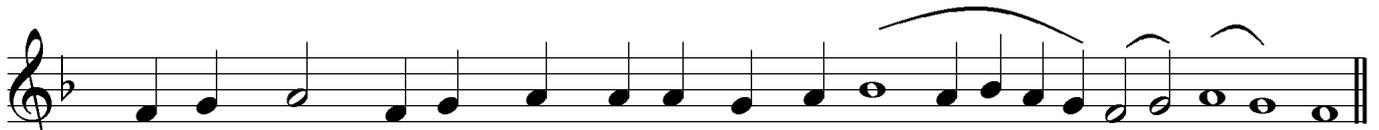
Refrain: At the prayers of the Moth - er of God, O Sav - - - - - iour, save us.



Verse 2: In the coun - cil of the up - right and in the as - sem - bly; great are the



works of the Lord.



Refrain: At the prayers of the Moth - er of God, O Sav - - - - - iour, save us.



Verse 3: They are sought out ac - cor - ding to all his pur - po - ses



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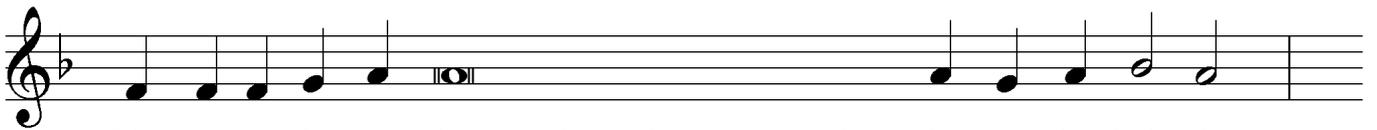
Verse 4: His work is praise and maj - es - ty; and his right - eous - ness en - dures



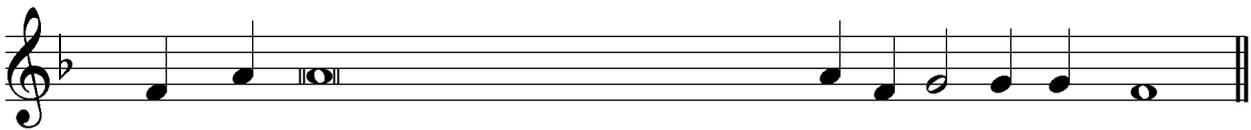
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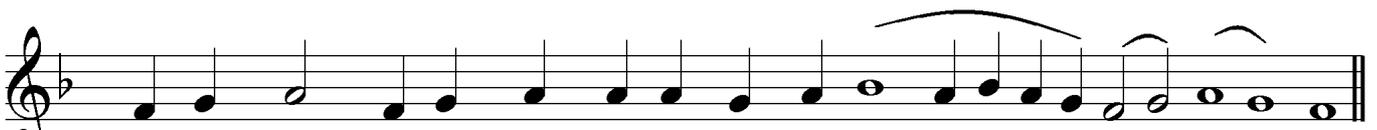
Refrain: At the prayers of the Moth - er of God, O Sav - - - - - iour, save us.



Glo - ry to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir - it.



Both now and for ev - er, and to the ag - es of ag - es. A - men.



Refrain: At the prayers of the Moth - er of God, O Sav - - - - - iour, save us.

Antiphon 2, Tone 2



Verse 1: Bless - ed is the man who fears the Lord, who de - lights great - ly in



his com - mand - ments



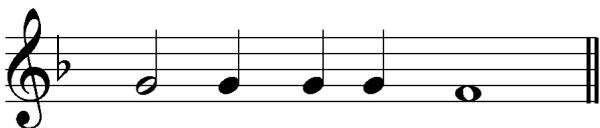
Refrain: O Son of God, born of a Vir - gin, save us who sing



to you: Al - le - lu - - - - - ia.



Verse 2: His seed will be pow - er - ful on the earth; the gen - er - a - tion of the



up - right will be blessed.



Refrain: O Son of God, born of a Vir - gin, save us who sing



to you: Al - le - lu - - - - - ia.



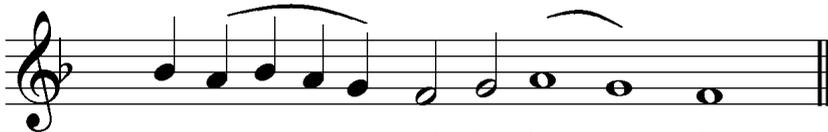
Verse 3: Glo - ry and rich - es are in his house, and his right - eous - ness



en - dures to age on age.



Refrain: O Son of God, born of a Vir - gin, save us who sing



to you: Al - le - lu - - - - - ia.



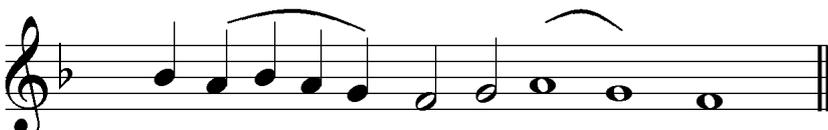
Verse 4: To the up - right light has sprung up in dark - ness; he is mer - ci - ful



and pit - y - ing and right - eous.



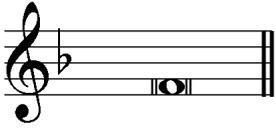
Refrain: O Son of God, born of a Vir - gin, save us who sing



to you: Al - le - lu - - - - - ia.

Glory. Both now. Only-begotten Son.

Antiphon 3, Tone 4



Verse 1: The Lord said to my Lord: Sit at my right hand.

Refrain: Troparion of the Feast ("Your Nativity, O Christ our God")

Verse 2: Until I make your enemies a footstool for your feet.

Refrain: Troparion of the Feast ("Your Nativity, O Christ our God")

Verse 3: The Lord will send you a rod of power out of Zion; then rule in the midst of your enemies.

Refrain: Troparion of the Feast ("Your Nativity, O Christ our God")

Verse 4: The dominion is yours in the day of your power, in the splendour of your saints.

Refrain: Troparion of the Feast ("Your Nativity, O Christ our God")

Entrance Chant (said by the Priest):

From the womb before dawn I have begotten you. The Lord has sworn and will not change his mind: you are a priest for ever, according to the line of Melchisedek.

Troparion, Tone 4



Your Na - tiv - i - ty, O Christ our God, made the light of know - ledge



dawn on the world; for through it those who a - dored the stars

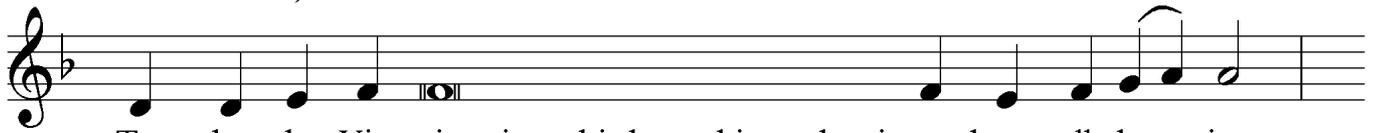


were taught by a star to wor - ship you, the Sun of right - eous - ness,

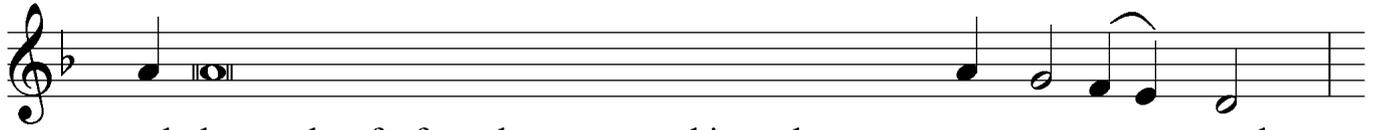


and to know you, the dawn from a - bove: O Lord, glo - ry to you.

Kontakion, Tone 3



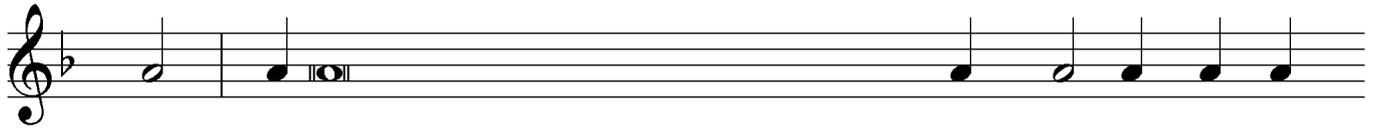
To - day the Vir - gin gives birth to him who is a - bove all be - - ing,



and the earth of - fers the cave to him whom no one can ap - - proach;



An - gels with shep - herds give glo - - ry, while Ma - gi jour - ney with a



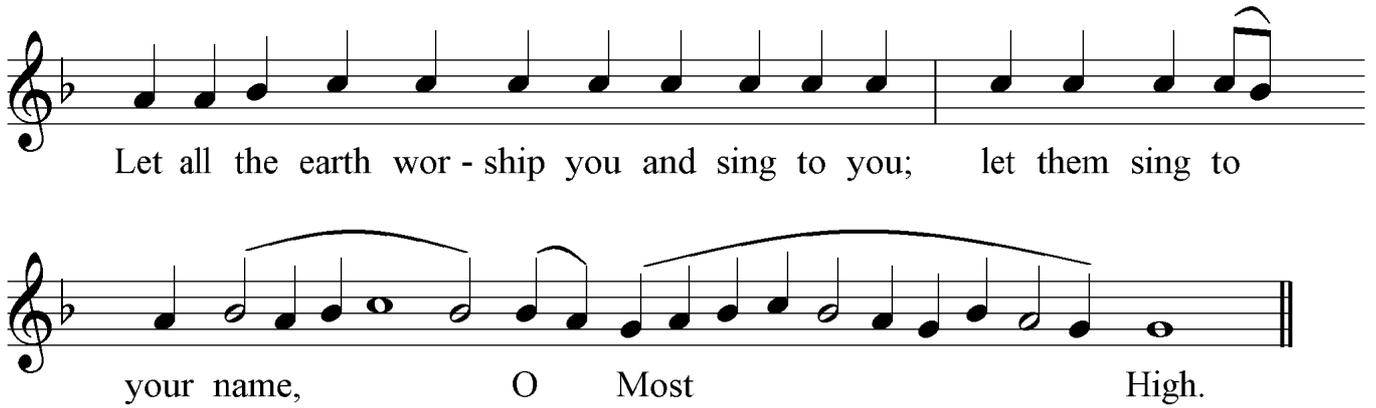
star, for to us there has been born a lit - tle Child, God be - fore the



ag - - - - - es.

Instead of "Holy God" we sing "As many as have been baptized"

Prokeimenon, Tone 8

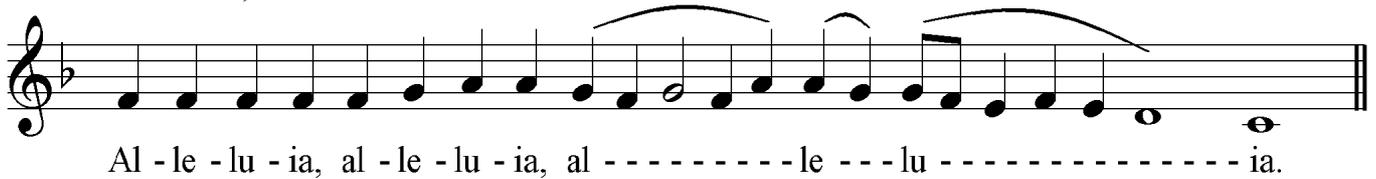


Let all the earth wor - ship you and sing to you; let them sing to
your name, O Most High.

The musical notation consists of two staves in G-clef. The first staff contains a sequence of 14 quarter notes, followed by a bar line and a final quarter note. The second staff begins with a half note, followed by a series of quarter notes, then a half note, and finally a quarter note. Phrasing slurs are placed over the first two notes of the second staff and over the last four notes of the second staff.

Verse: Shout with joy to the Lord, all the earth; sing to his name, give glory to his praise.

Alleluia, Tone 1



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - - - - - le - - - lu - - - - - ia.

The musical notation is on a single staff in G-clef. It features a sequence of quarter notes, followed by a half note, and then a quarter note. Phrasing slurs are placed over the first two notes, the next two notes, and the final two notes of the piece.

Verse 1: The heavens declare the glory of God, the firmament proclaims the work of his hands.

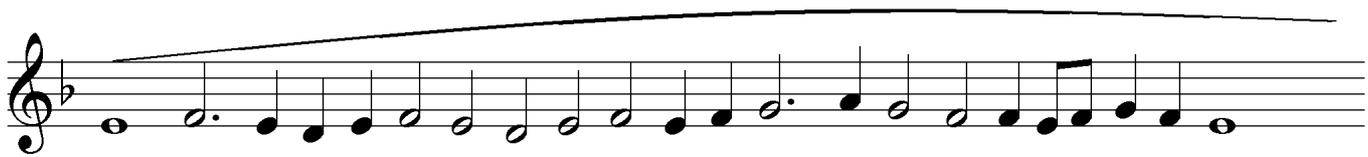
Verse 2: Day tells it to day, and night proclaims knowledge to night.

Hymn to the Mother of God

Mag - - ni - - - fy, O my soul, her who is
great - er in hon - our and more glo - ri - ous than the hosts on high,
the most pure Vir - - - - gin Moth - er of God. It would be
eas - i - - - er for us, be - - cause free from all
dan - - - - ger, to keep si - lence in fear while it is
hard in - deed, O Vir - - gin, in love to de - - - vise songs
har - mo - ni - ous - - ly put to - - - geth - - - - - er. But, O
Moth - - - - - er, give us strength
that so we may ful - - fil our good
in - - - - tent.

Communion Chant

The Lord
has sent re --
demp - - - - - tion to his peo --
ple.
Al - - - - - le - - - - - lu - - - - -
- ia,
Al - - le - - - - - lu - - - - - ia,



al - - - - -



- - - - -



-le - - lu - - - - - ia.