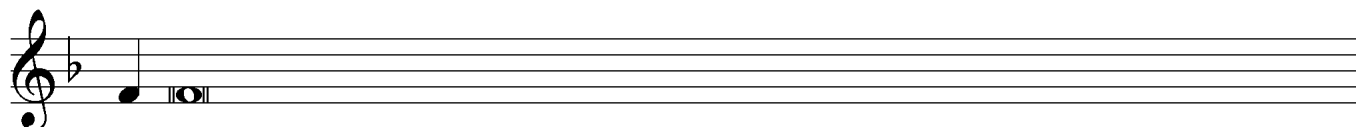


November 12th. St John the Almsgiver and St Neilos

At Vespers, on "Lord, I have cried" sing 6 verses.

First, 3 verses for St John, Tone 4

(melody: "You have given us a sign")



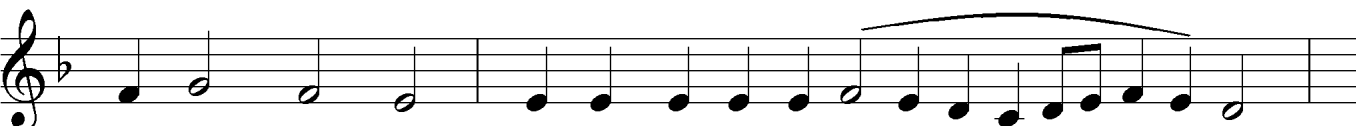
(I) If you, Lord, should mark in-i-qui-ties, O Lord, who will stand? But



there is for-give-ness with you.



You scat-tered and dis-trib--ut-ed your bread to those in need,



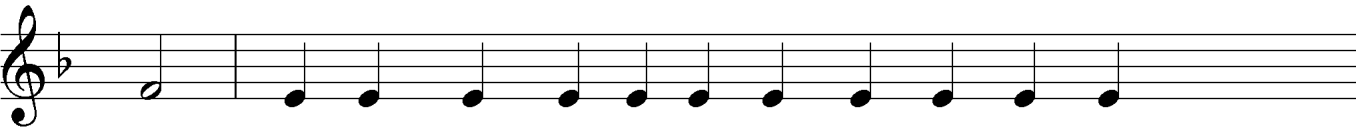
O won-drous John, in mer-cy em-u-lat-----ing



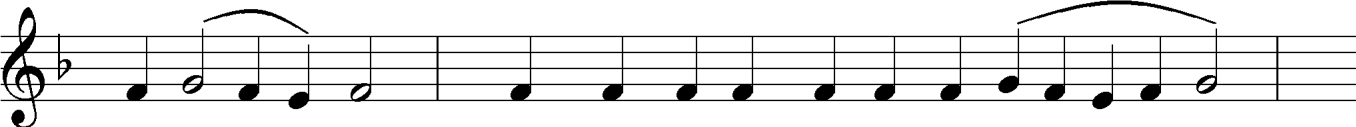
the most com-pas-sion-ate Mas-ter, O ven-er-a-ble one.



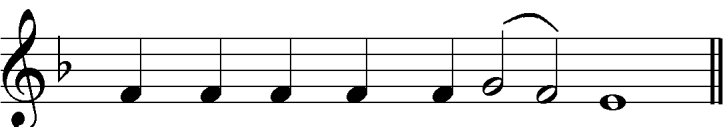
There-fore your mem---o-ry tru-ly en-dures for ev-er, O ho-ly



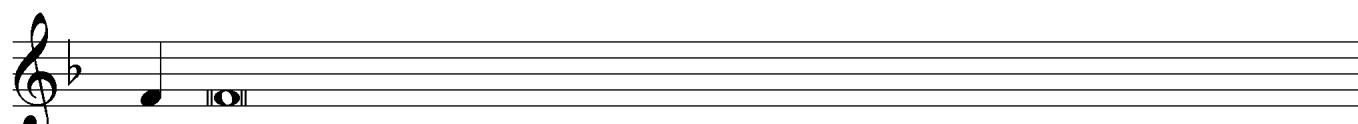
one. By your prayers de-liv-er from temp-ta-tions and



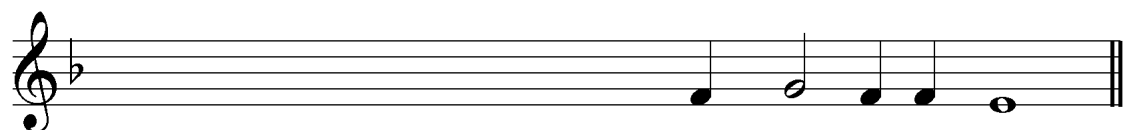
af-flic-----tions those who cel-e-brate it with faith,



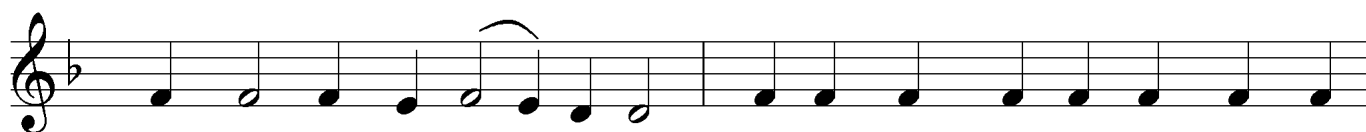
O whol-ly bless-ed hier--arch.



(II) For your name's sake I have wait - ed for you, O Lord; my soul has



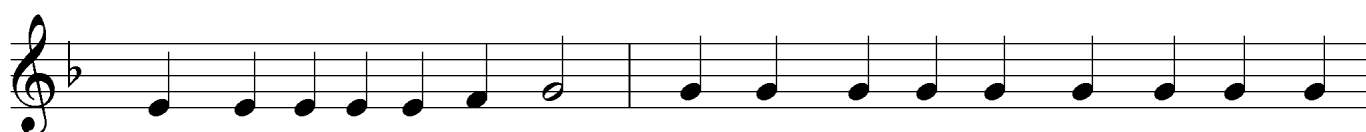
wait - ed on your word, my soul has hoped in the Lord.



Per - ceiv - ing your pu - - - ri - ty, the up - right - ness of your mind and



your god - ly man - ner, he who sees what is hid - - - - - den



raised you to a loft - y throne, a - noint - ing and per - fect - ing you with



sweet oil, and clear - ly en - trust - ing you with the helm of the



flock which you guid - ed to the ha - - - - - ven of the di - vine



will, O ho - ly John.



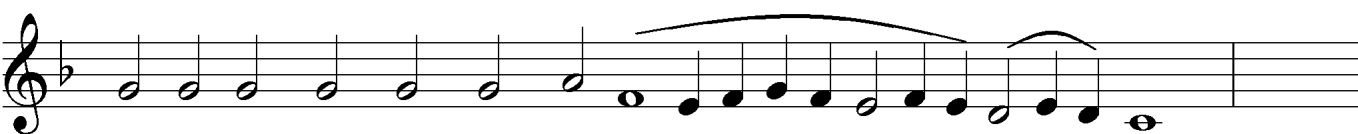
(1) Praise the Lord, all you na - tions; praise him, all you



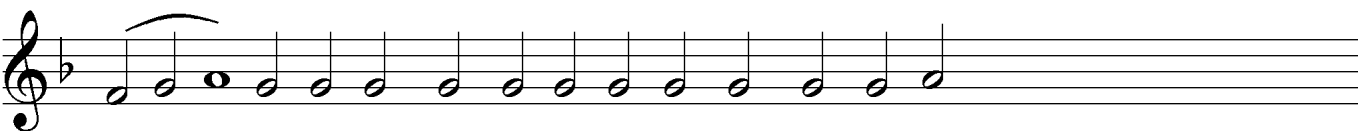
peo - - - - - ples.



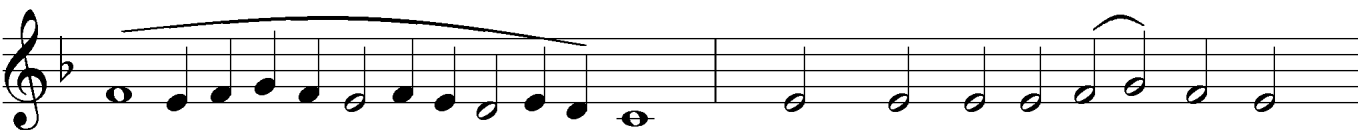
What shall we name you, O ven - - - - - er - a - ble? Hus - - - - band - man



of the im - mor - tal plants, O bless - - - - - ed one,



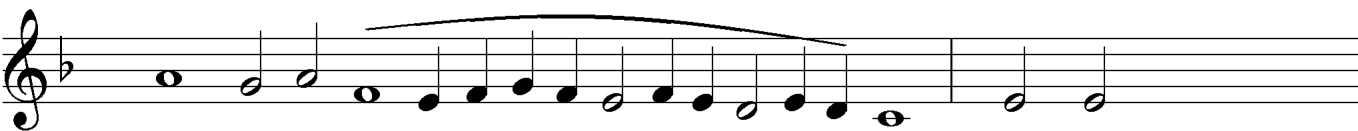
plant - - - - er of the spir - it - u - al par - a - dise of the



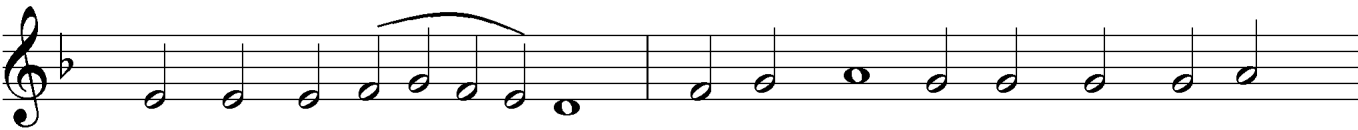
faith - - - - - ful, most skilled in the God - giv - en



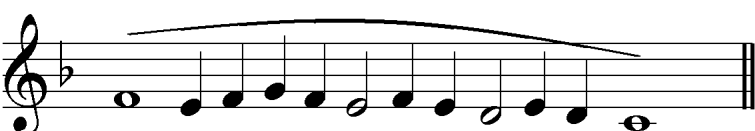
laws, know - ing the God - in - spired dog - - - - - mas, most



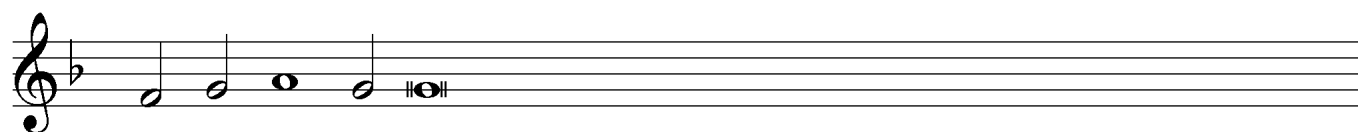
grace - ful ex - pound - - - - - er and most



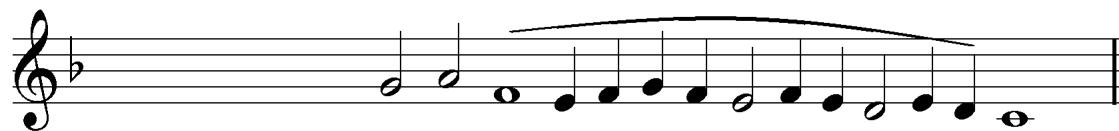
com - pe - tent teach - - - - - er. In - ter - cede that our souls may be



saved.



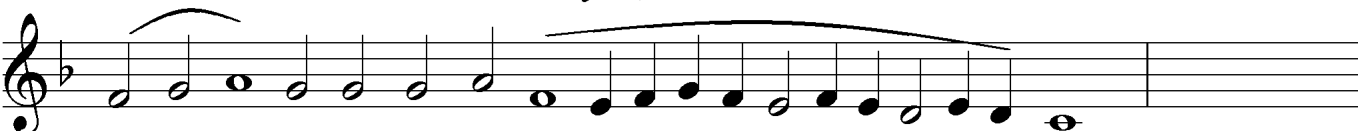
(II) For his mer - cy has been might - y to - wards us; and the truth of the



Lord en - dures to the ag - - - - - es.



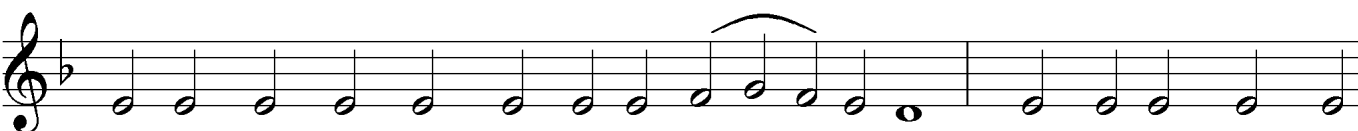
How shall I now ad - dress you, O won - - - - - drous one?



Leg - - - - - is - la - tor of mar - - - - - iage,



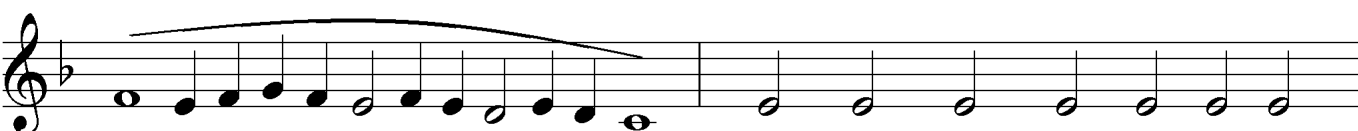
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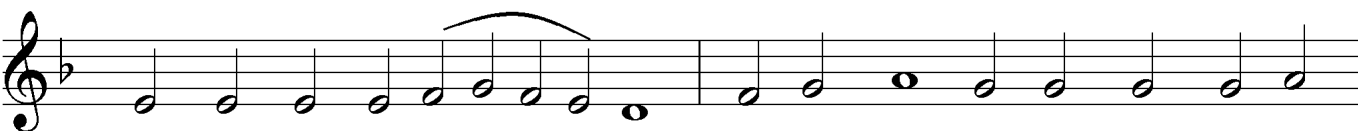
of mo - nas - tics and guide of vir - gin - - - - - i - ty, right - ly ap - prais - ing



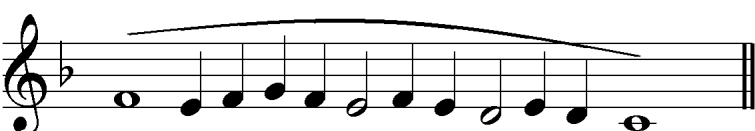
both as hav - ing by ex - pe - ri - ence passed through



both. Your good deeds were man - y and

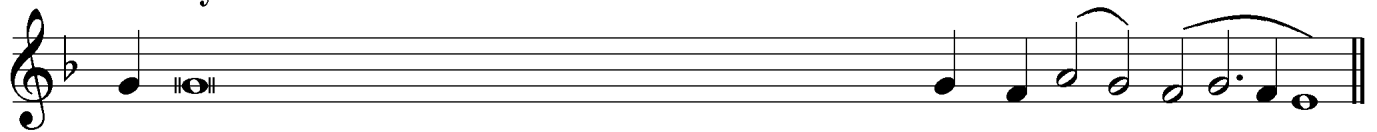


your fast - ing was god - - - - - ly. In - ter - cede that our souls may be

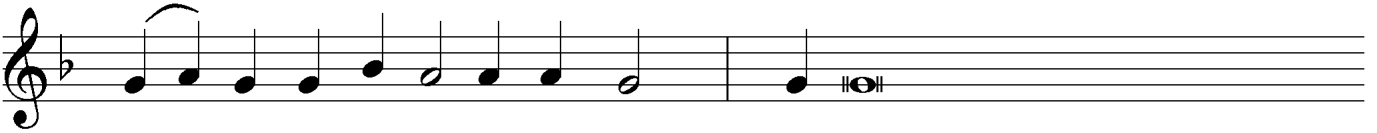


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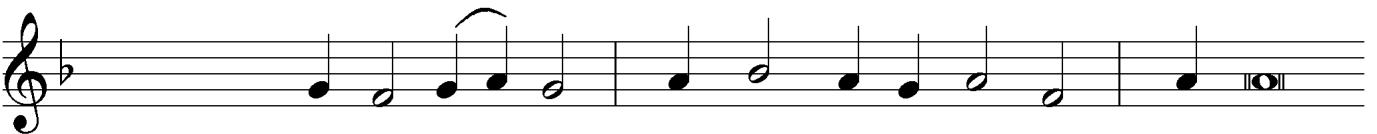
Glory. Tone 2



(1) Glo - ry to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir - - it.



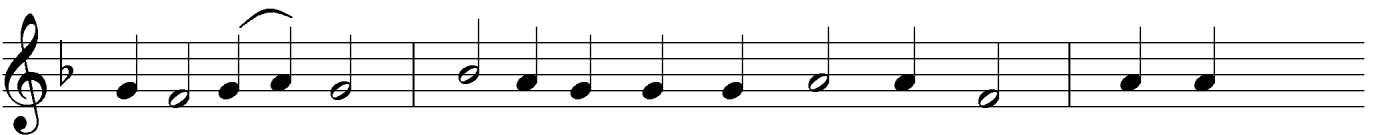
John, the em - u - la - tor of Christ, and the great shep - herd and lamp



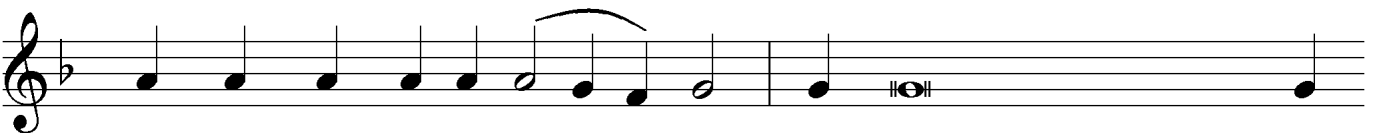
of the Al - ex - an - dri - - ans, the foun - tain of mer - cy, fills those



in need of com - pas - sion and pit - - - - y. Come, you poor in spir - it,



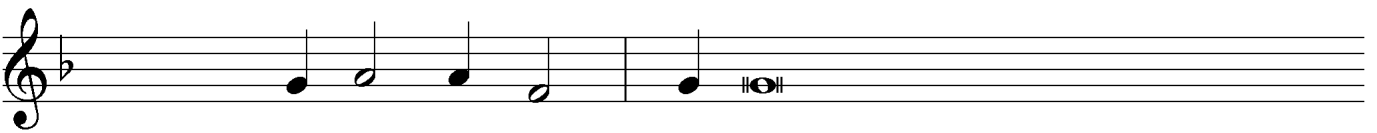
let us be filled, em - u - la - ting his cheer - ful - ness, for with



com - pas - sion - ate af - fec - - - - tion he showed hos - pi - tal - i - ty to



Christ through the poor, like A - bra - ham of old, and was count - ed



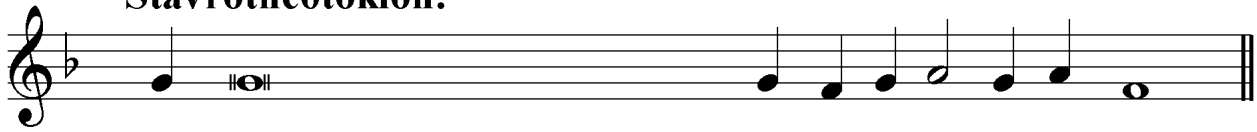
wor - thy of bless - ed - ness, and with free - dom to speak he prays



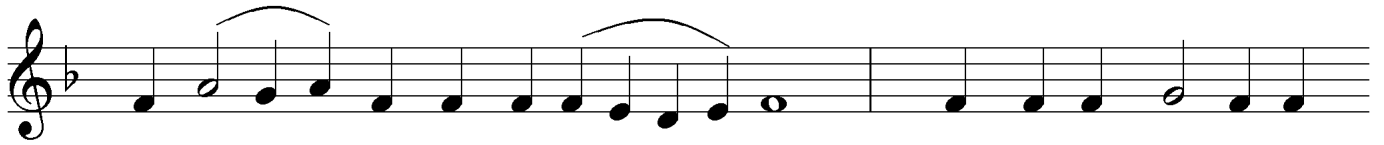
that our souls may find mer - - cy.

Both now. Theotokion or Stavrotheotokion.

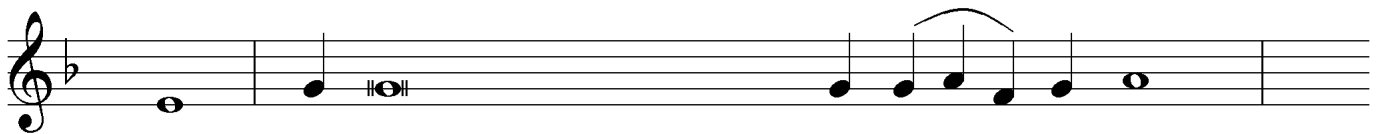
Stavrotheotokion:



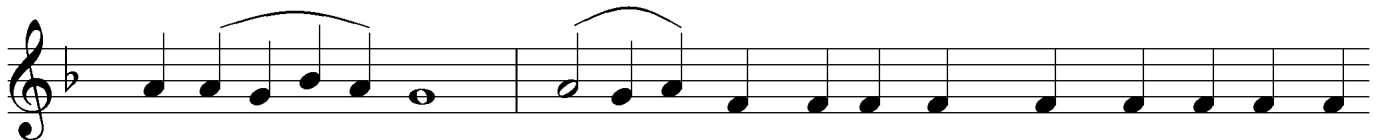
Both now and for ev - er, and to the ag - es of ag - es. A - men.



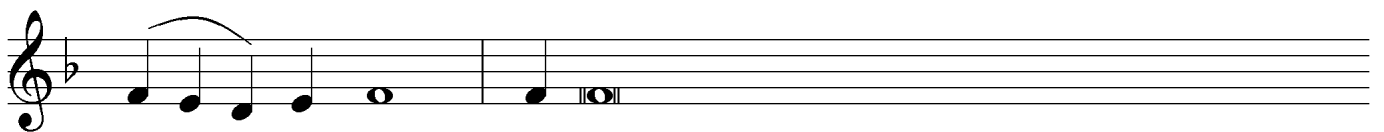
Be - hold - - - - ing you, O Je - - - - - sus, nailed to the Tree of the



Cross, she who did not taste of wed - lock wept and said:



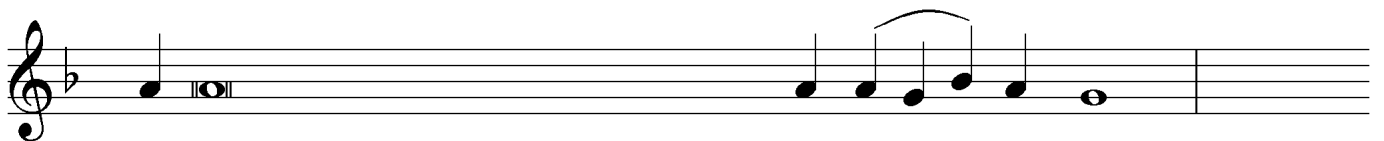
"My sweet Child, why have you a - ban - doned me who a - lone



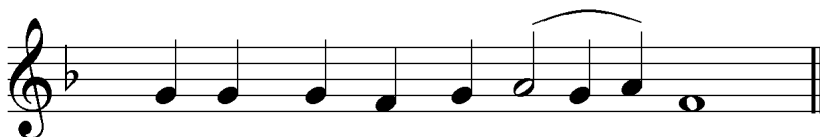
gave you birth? O un - ap - proach - a - ble Light of the Fa - ther



with - out be - gin - - ning, has - ten and be glo - - - - ri - fied,



so that those who glo - ri - fy your di - vine suf - - - - fer - ings



may re - ceive di - vine glo - - - - ry."

Aposticha from the Octoechos.

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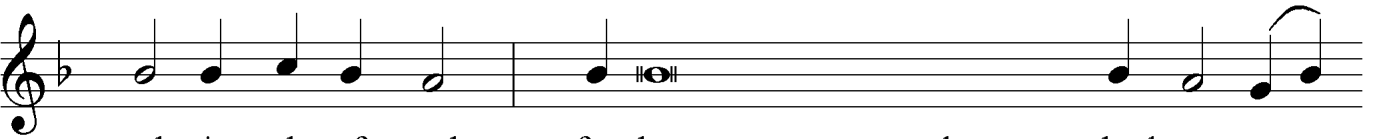
Glory for St Neilos, Tone 8



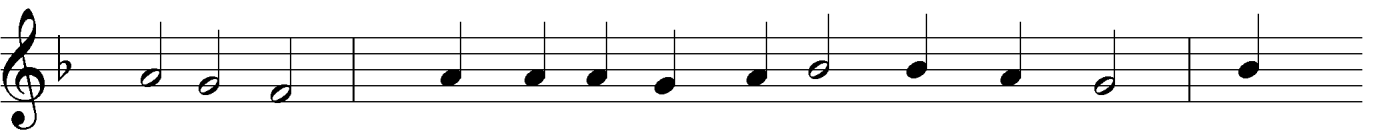
Glo - ry to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir - - - - - it.



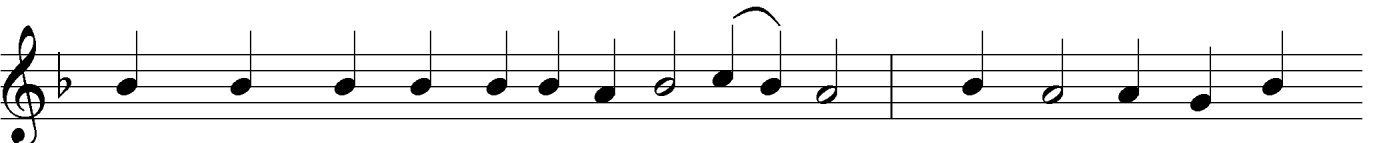
We hon - our you, our fa - ther Neil - - os, the in - struc - tor of a



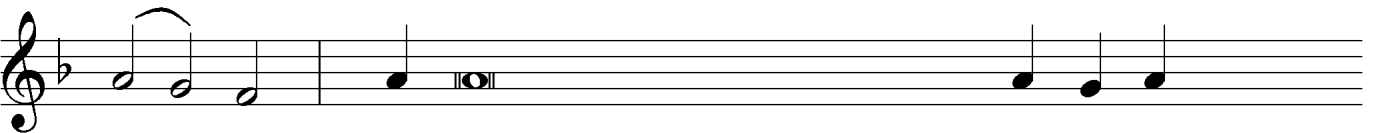
mul - ti - tude of monks, for by your steps we have tru - ly learnt to



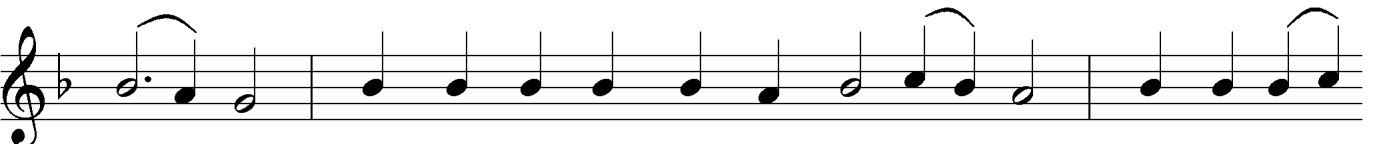
walk a - right. Bless - ed are you, who la - boured for Christ, and



de - nounced the pow - er of the en - e - - - my, con - ver - ser with the



an - - - gels, and com - pan - ion of the ven - er - a - ble and the



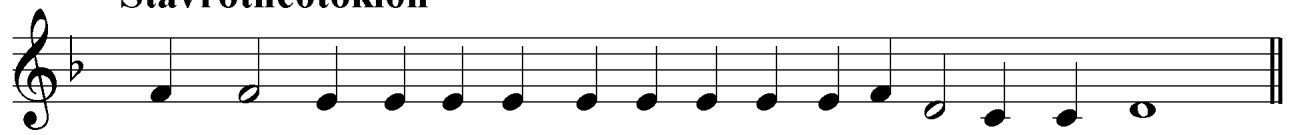
right - eous. To - geth - er with them, en - treat the Lord that our souls



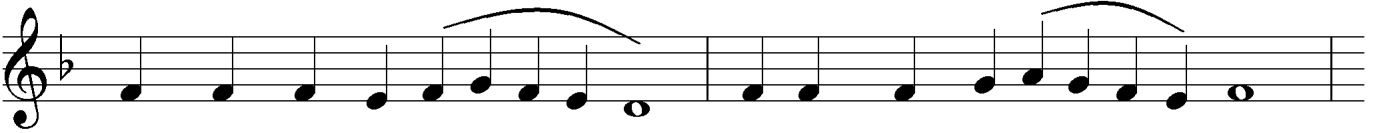
may find mer - - cy.

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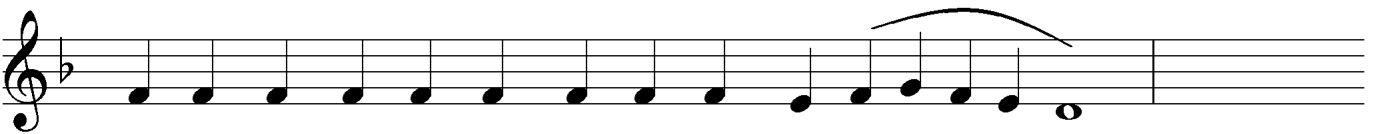
Stavrotheotokion



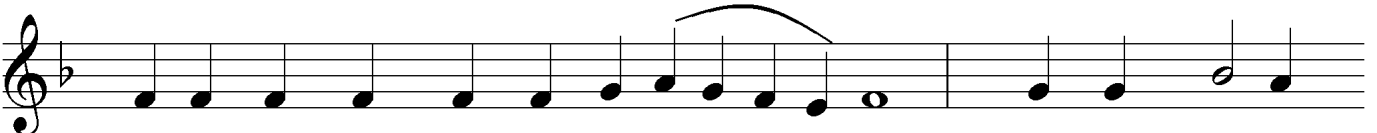
Both now and for ev - er, and to the ag - es of ag - es. A - men.



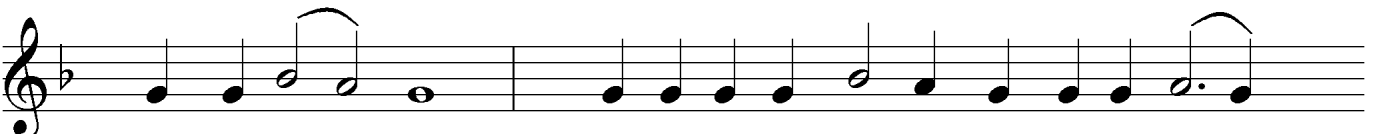
Be - hold - ing you nailed to the Cross, O Je - - - - - sus,



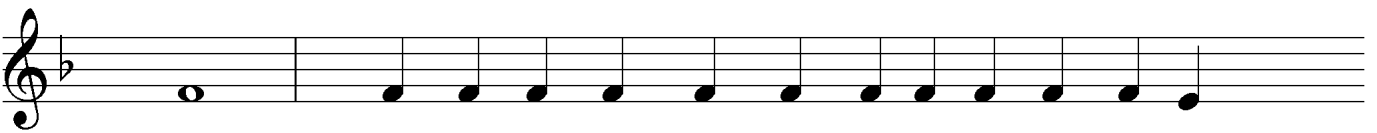
and en - dur - ing suf - fer - ings of your own will,



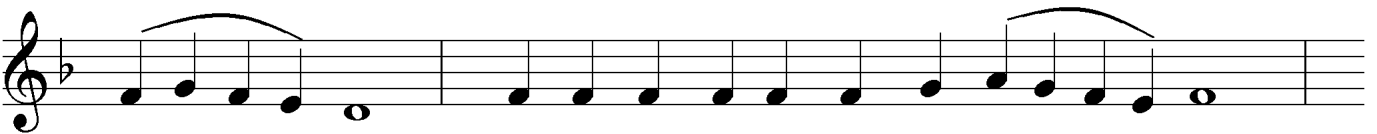
the Vir - gin, your Moth - er, O Mas - - - - - ter, cried out: "Woe is



me, my sweet Child; how is it that you un - just - ly en - dure



wounds, the Phy - si - cian, who heals the in - fir - mi - ties of



hu - - - - - mans and de - liv - ers all from cor - rup - - - - - tion

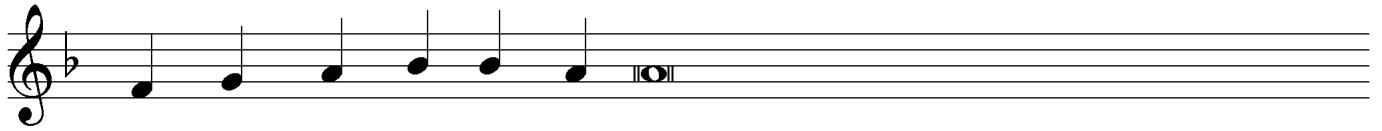


in your com - pas - - sion?"

Troparion of St John, Tone 8



By en - dur - ance you gained your re - ward, O ven - er - a - ble fa - ther,



in prayers you were un - ceas - ing - ly strong, you loved the poor and



pro - vid - ed for them. In - ter - cede with Christ God, O bless - ed



John the Alms - giv - er that our souls may be saved.

Troparion for St Neilos, Tone 8



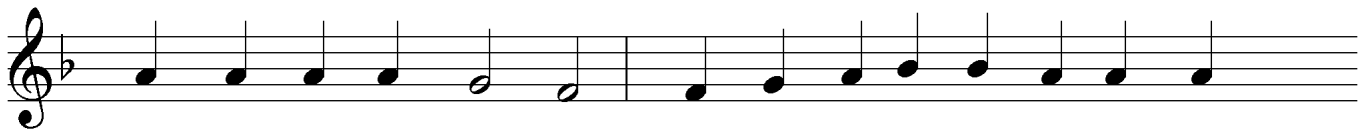
With the streams of your tears you cul - ti - vat - ed the bar - ren des - ert,



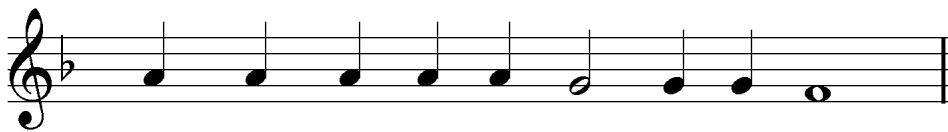
and with your deep groans you made your toils bring forth fruit a



hun - dred - fold, and you have be - come a bea - con, shin - ing in all



the world by your won - ders: Neil - os, our fa - ther, in - ter - cede



with Christ God that our souls may be saved.