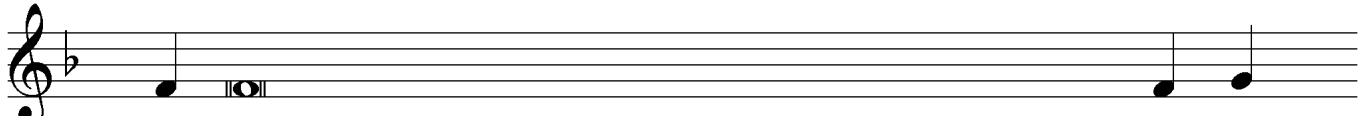


Third Sunday of the Great Fast - Veneration of the Cross

At Great Vespers, on "Lord, I have cried" sing 10 stichera.

First, 6 stichera for the Resurrection in the Tone of the week.

Then these 4 stichera for the Holy Cross, Tone 5:



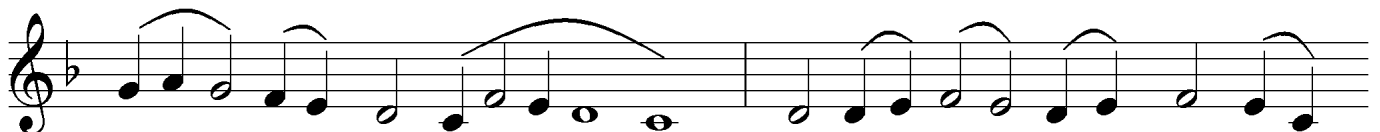
(1) From the morn - ing watch un - til night, from the morn - ing watch let



Is - ra - el hope in the Lord.



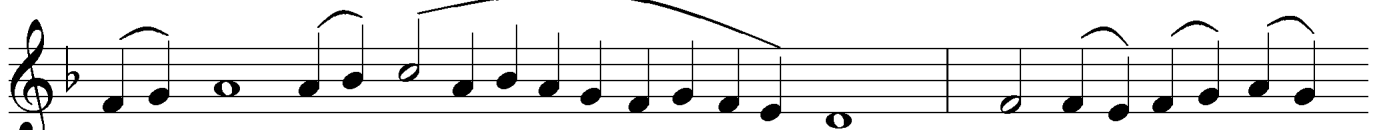
Cross of the Lord, shine out the bright dart - ing



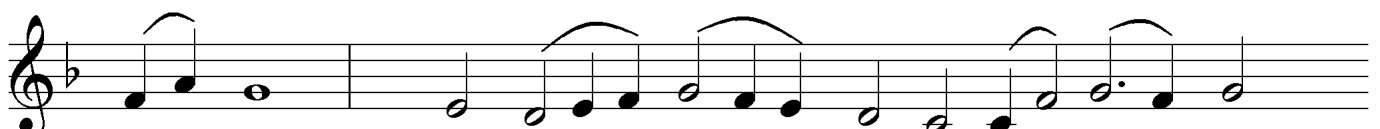
rays of your grace on the hearts of those who



hon - - - - - our you, and, with love in - - - spired



by God, em - - brace you, the de - - sire of



the world. Through you our tears of sor - - row have



been wiped a - way, and we have been de - - - liv - - - - - ed



from the snares of death, and have passed



o - - ver to un - - - - - end - - - - - ing joy. Show us the



splen - dour of your beau - - - ty, and grant the



re - ward of ab - sti - - nence to us your ser - - - - - vants,



who with faith en - - treat your rich



pro - tec - - - - - tion and great mer - - - - - cy.



and the con - gre - ga - tions of the faith - ful keep the feast.



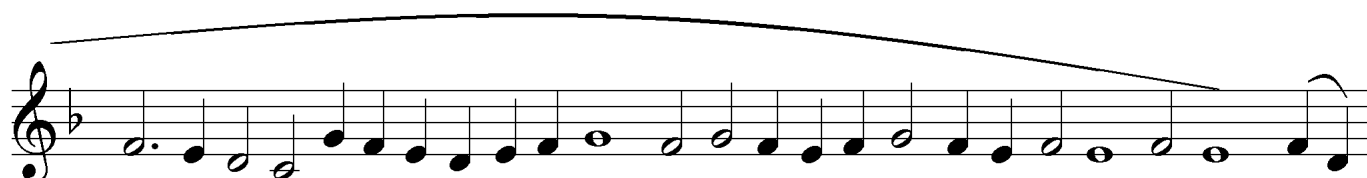
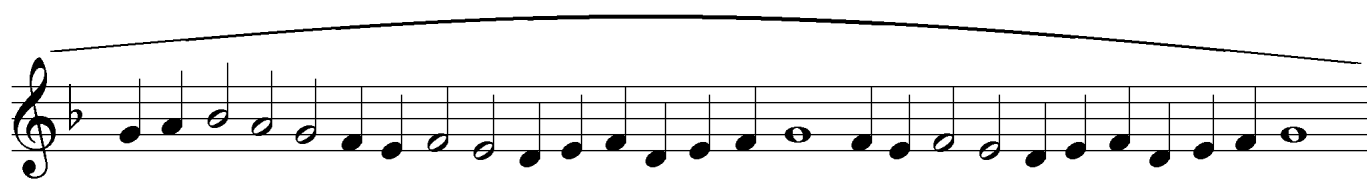
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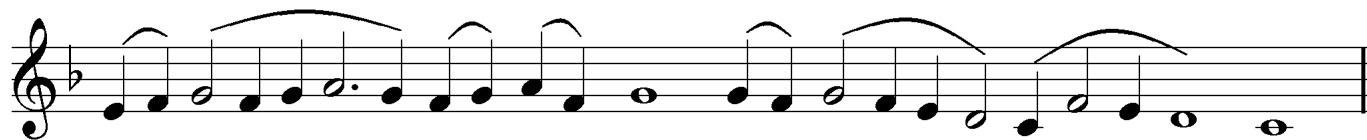
strong - - - - hold, vic - to - - ry of kings, glo - - - - ry



of priests: Grant that we may draw near



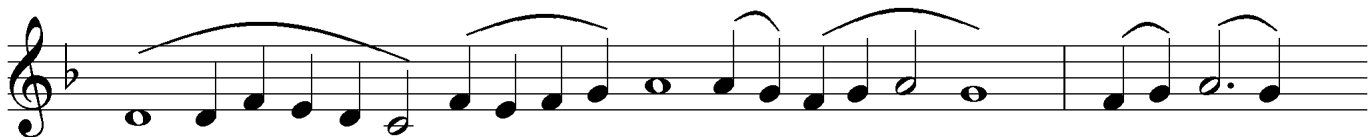
to



the Pas - - - - - sion of Christ, and great mer - - - - - cy.



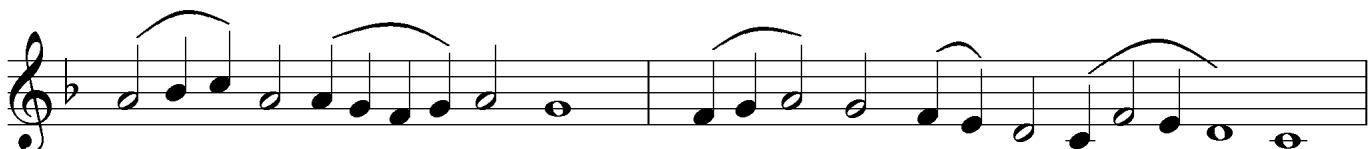
(1) Praise the Lord, all you na - tions; praise him, all you peo - - - - - ples.



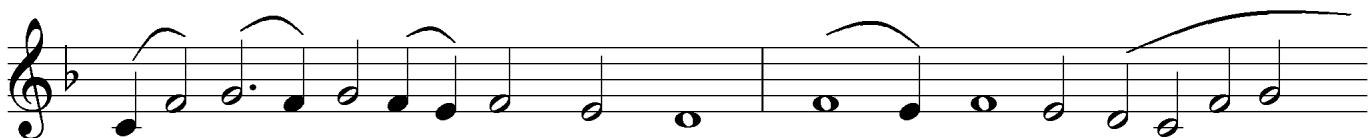
Hail, life - - - - - giv - ing Cross, un - - con - -



quer - - - - - a - ble tro - - phy of the true faith,



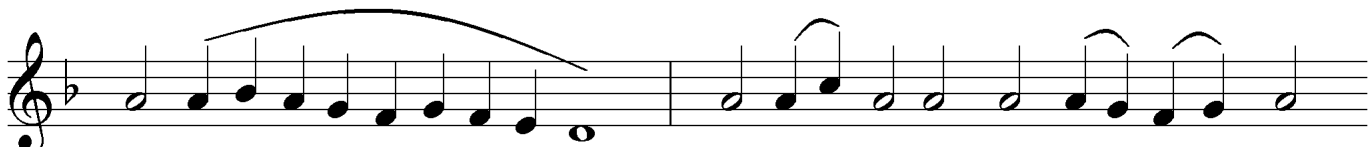
door to Par - - - - - a - dise, suc - - - cour of the faith - - - - - ful,



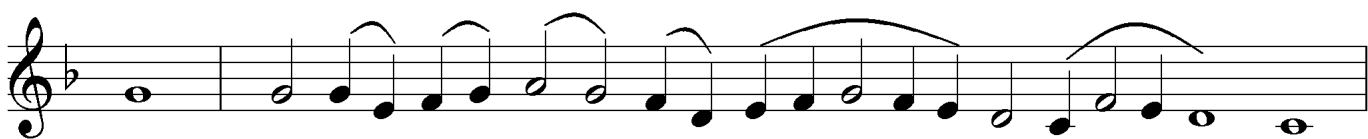
ram - - part set a - - round the Church. Through you the curse



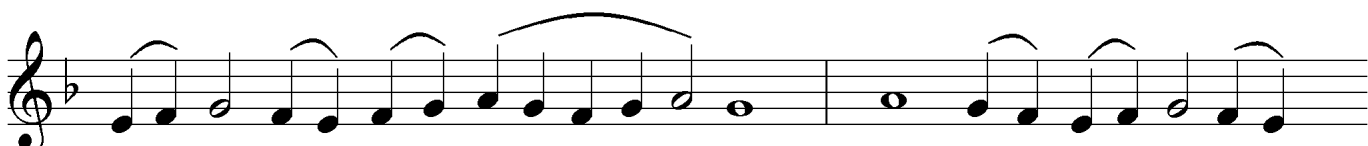
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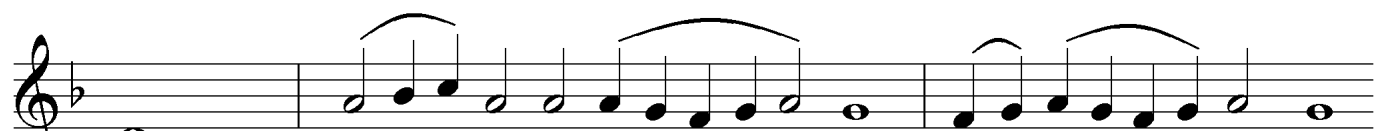
de - stroyed, the pow - er of death is swal - lowed




up, and we are raised from earth to heav - - - - - en:



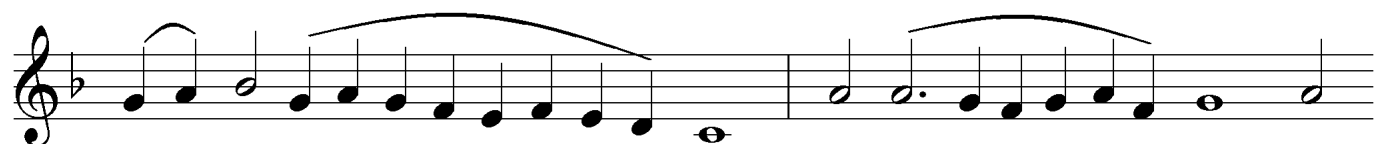
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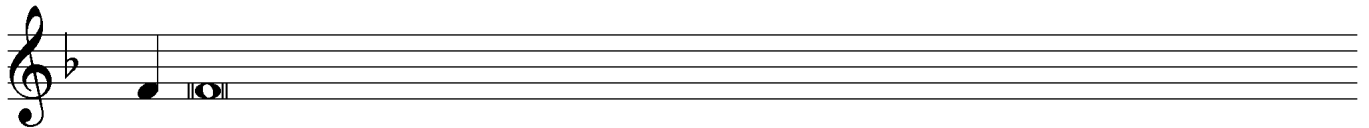
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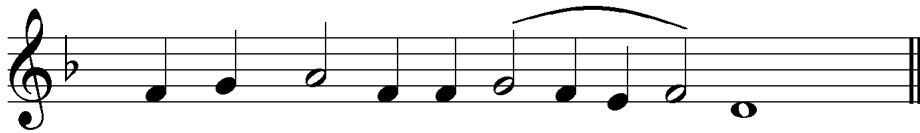
of sal - va - - - - - tion be - stow - - - - - ing on



the world great mer - - - - - cy.



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



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



Come, first - - fash - - - - - ioned pair, who fell from the choir



on high through the en - - vy of the mur - der - - er



of man - kind, through the bit - - ter pleas - - - - - ure



of tast - - - - - ing of old from the tree. See,




the Tree re - vered by all draws near!



Run - ning with haste

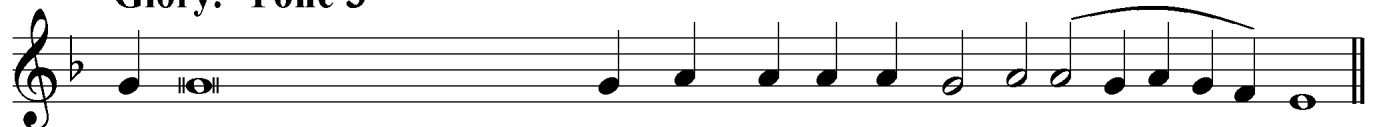


em - - brace it joy - - - - - ful - - ly, and cry to it with



faith: You are our suc - - - - - cour,
O all - - - - - re - vered Cross, Tree blessed by
God in the heav - - - - - en - - - - - ly gar - - - - - den,
par - tak - - ing of your fruit we have gained
in - - - - - cor - - rup - - - - - tion; we have ob - - tained the
for - - mer se - - cu - - ri - - ty of E - - - - - den,
and great mer - - - - - cy.

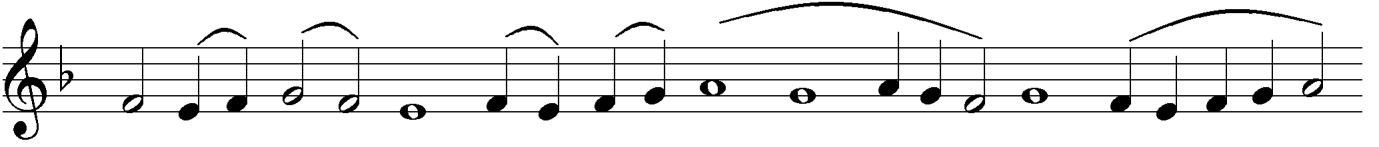
Glory. Tone 3



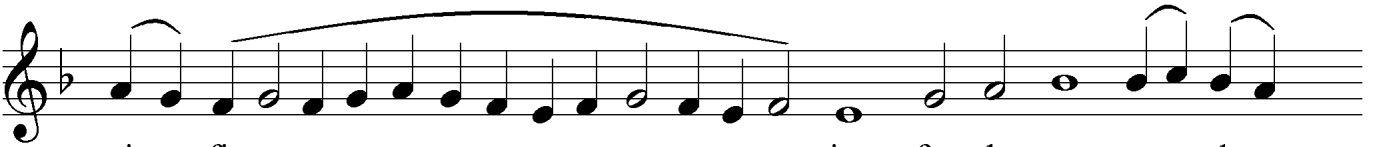
(1) Glo - ry to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spi - - - - - rit.



O Christ our God,



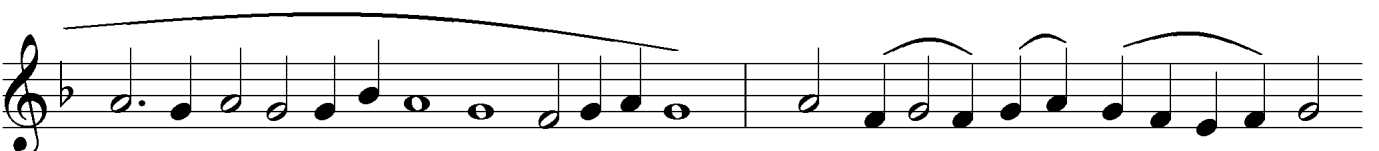
of your own will you ac - - - - - cept - - - - - ed Cru - - - - -



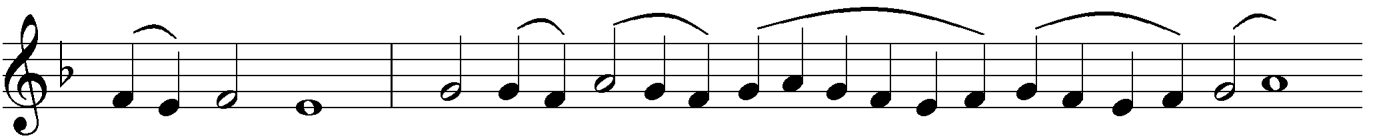
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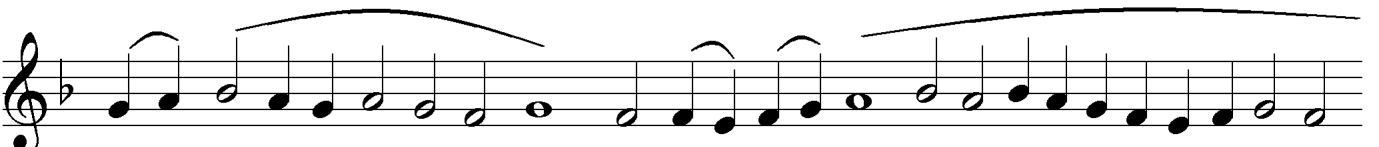
res - - - - - ur - rec - - - - - tion of the hu - - - - - man race.



and with the reed pen



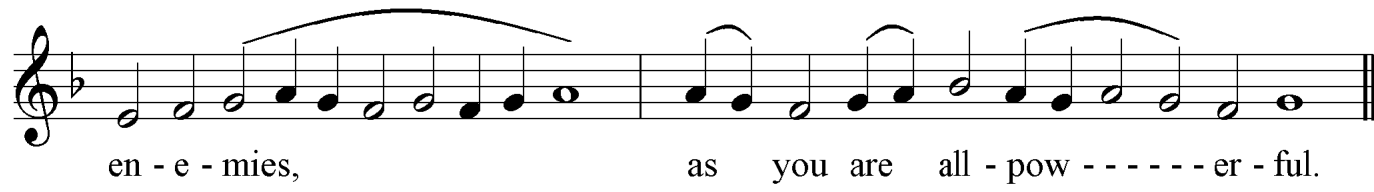
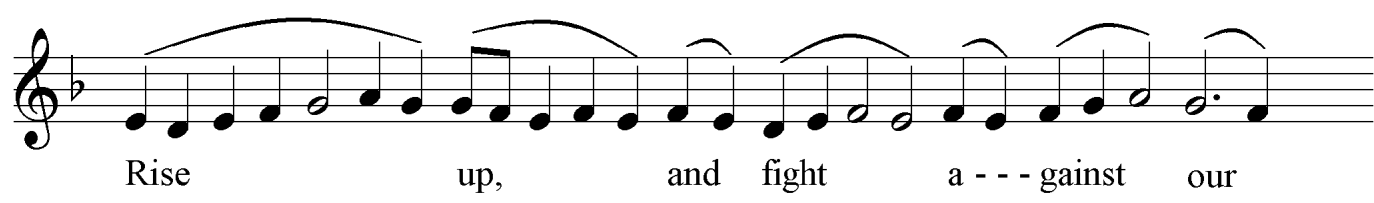
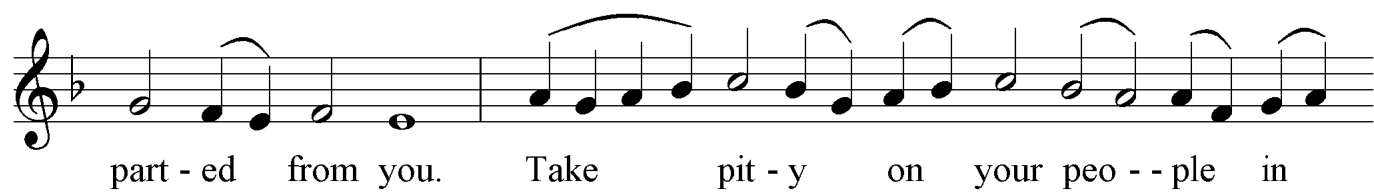
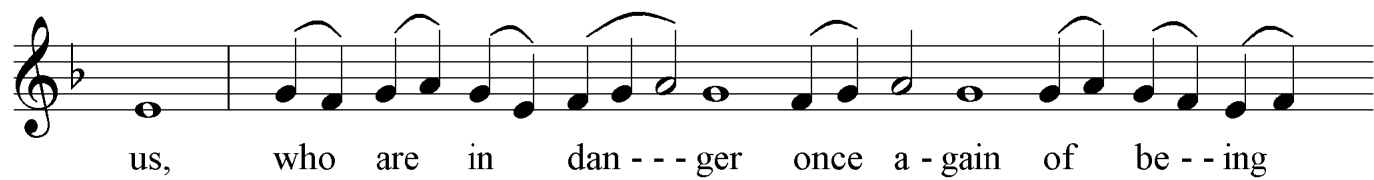
of the Cross with your blood - - - - - stained fin - - - - - gers



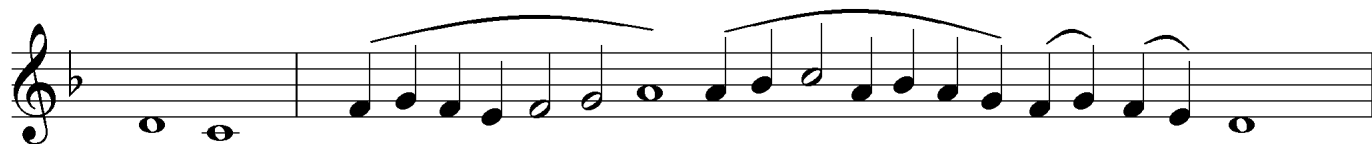
you signed our ab - - - - - so - - - - - lu - - - - -



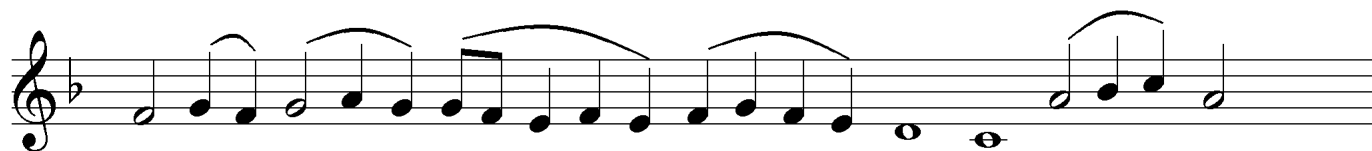
- - - - - tion in the red ink of roy - al - - - - - ty,



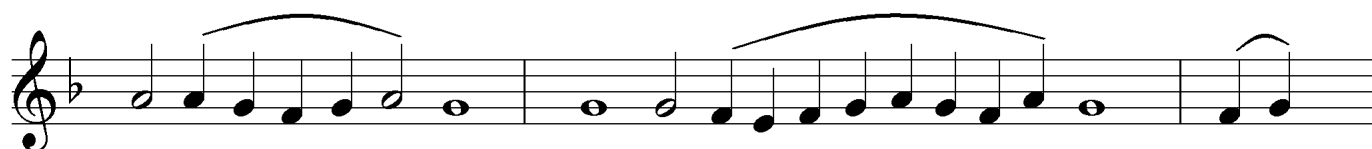
Both now. Theotokion Dogmatikon in the Tone of the week.



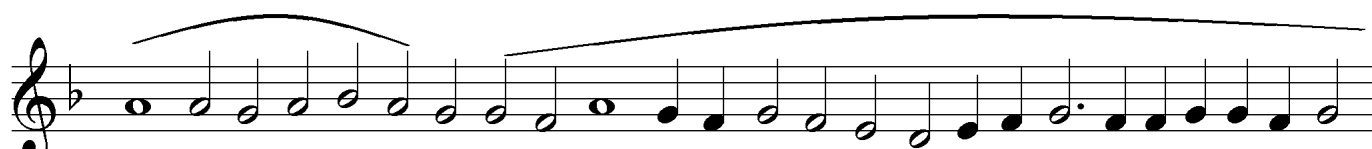
a - part; dead rose from the tombs,



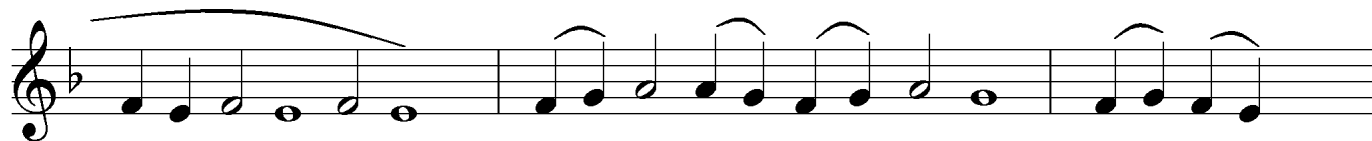
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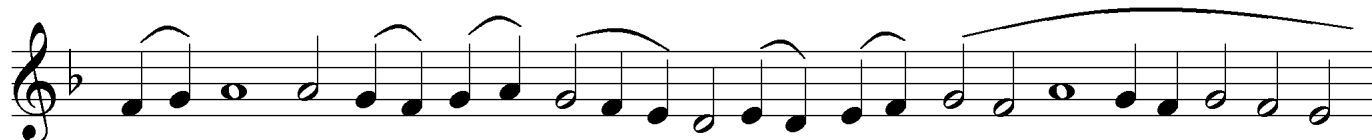
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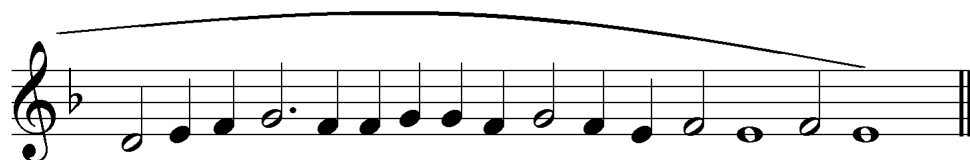
Judge is judged,



and suf - fers will - - ing - ly, for the

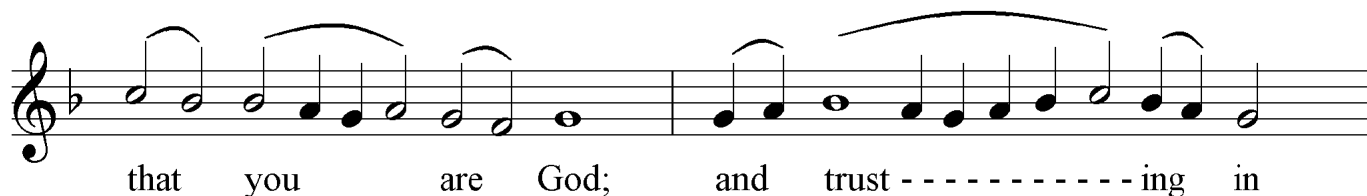


sal - - va - tion and re - - - new - - - al of the world."





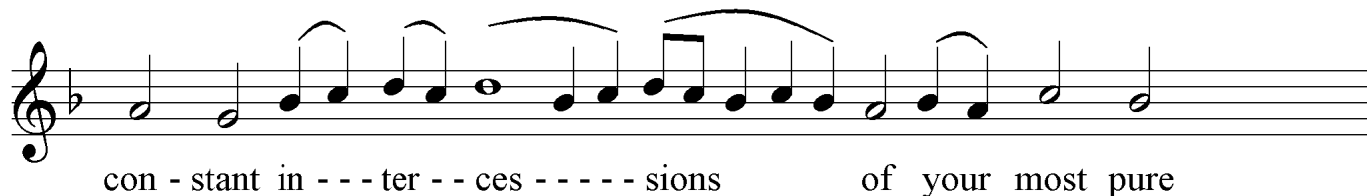
in truth



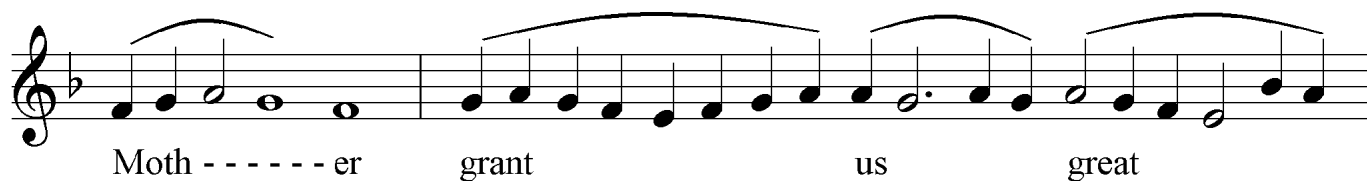
that you are God; and trust - - - - - ing in



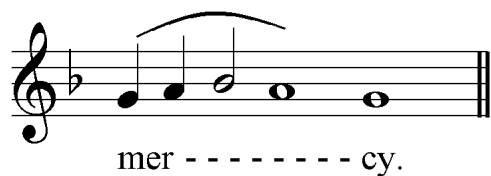
you may we con - - quer. At the



con - stant in - - - ter - - ces - - - - sions of your most pure



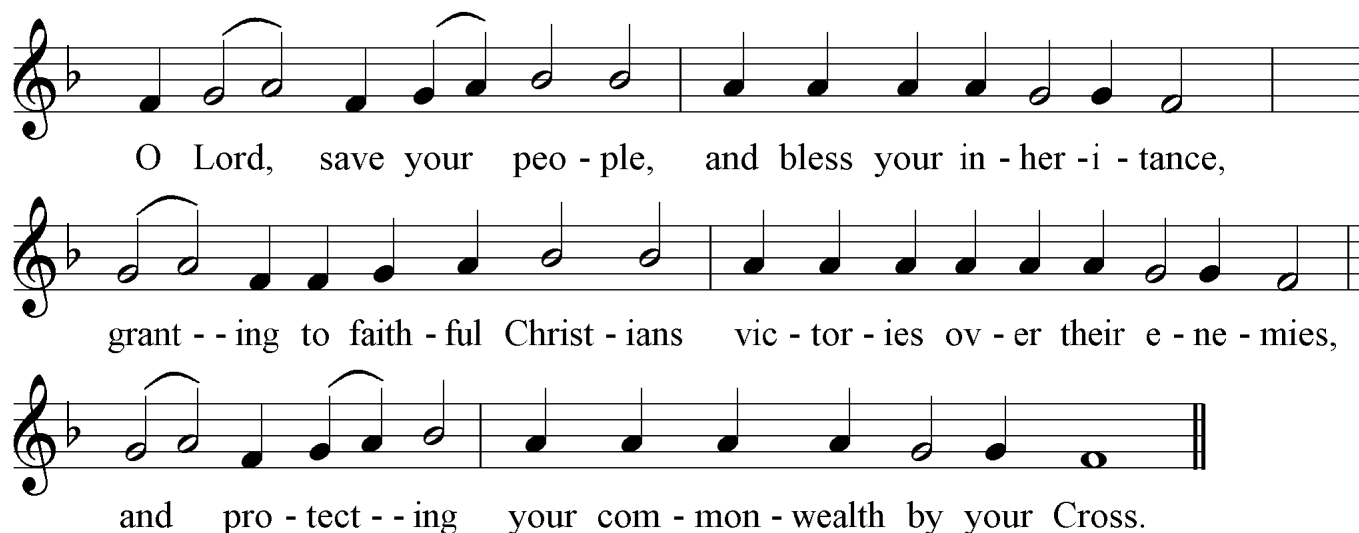
Moth - - - - - er grant us great



mer - - - - - cy.

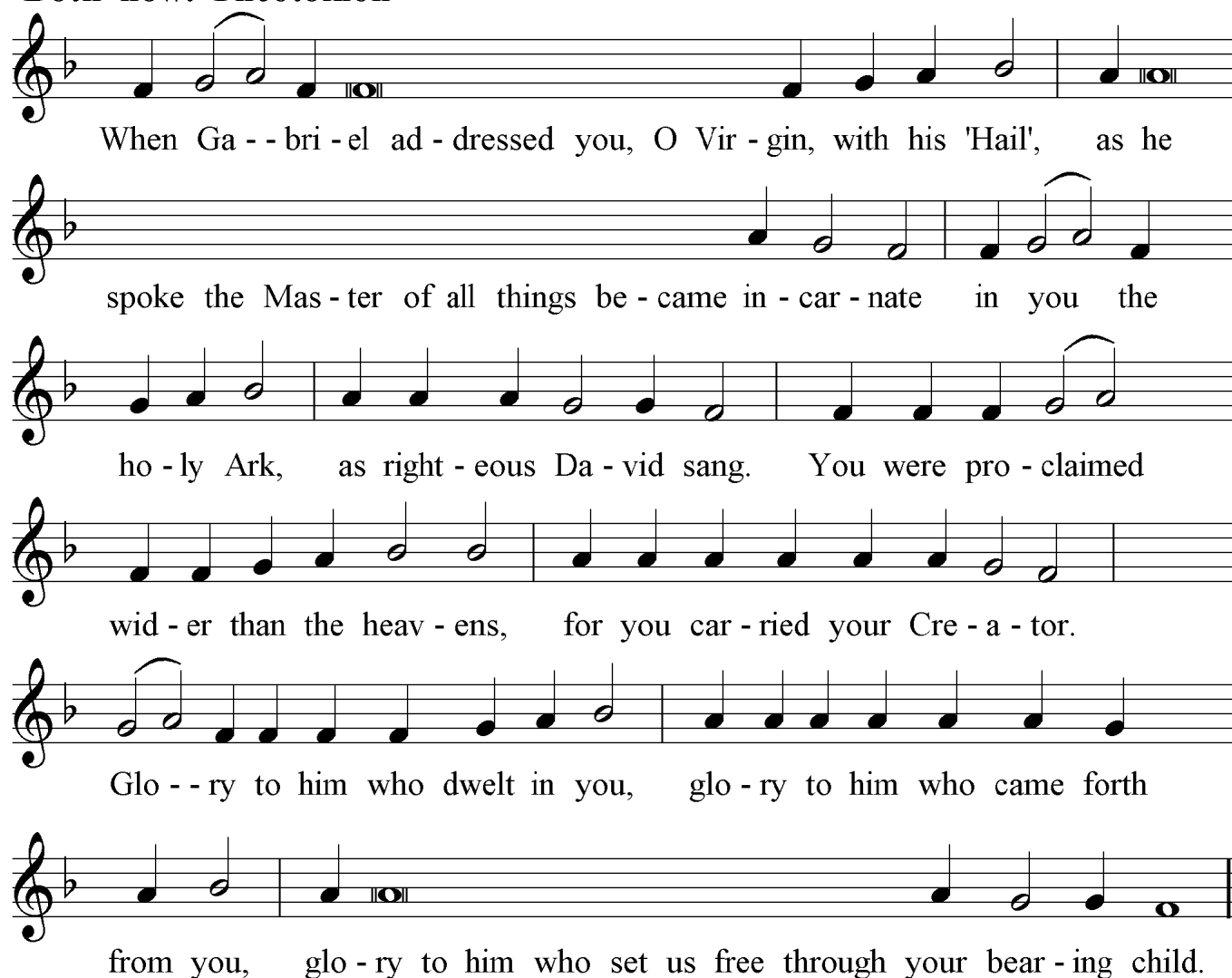
Troparion of the Resurrection in the Tone of the week.

Glory. Troparion of the Cross, Tone 1



O Lord, save your peo - ple, and bless your in - her - i - tance,
grant - - ing to faith - ful Christ - ians vic - tor - ies ov - er their e - ne - mies,
and pro - tect - - ing your com - mon - wealth by your Cross.

Both now. Theotokion



When Ga - - bri - el ad - dressed you, O Vir - gin, with his 'Hail', as he
spoke the Mas - ter of all things be - came in - car - nate in you the
ho - ly Ark, as right - eous Da - vid sang. You were pro - claimed
wid - er than the heav - ens, for you car - ried your Cre - a - tor.
Glo - - ry to him who dwelt in you, glo - ry to him who came forth
from you, glo - ry to him who set us free through your bear - ing child.