

Stichera at the Pre-Sanctified Liturgy Friday of the First Week of Great Lent

At Lord I have cried... we sing two stichera in Tone 7, repeating the first:

O Lord I have cried un - to You: Hear me!
Hear me, O Lord! O Lord, I have cried
un - to You: Hear me! Re - ceive the voice
of my prayer when I call up - on You.
Hear me, O Lord!
Let my prayer be set forth in Your sight as
in - cense, and let the lift - ing up of
my hands be an eve - ning sac - - ri - fice.

Hear _____ me _____ O _____ Lord!

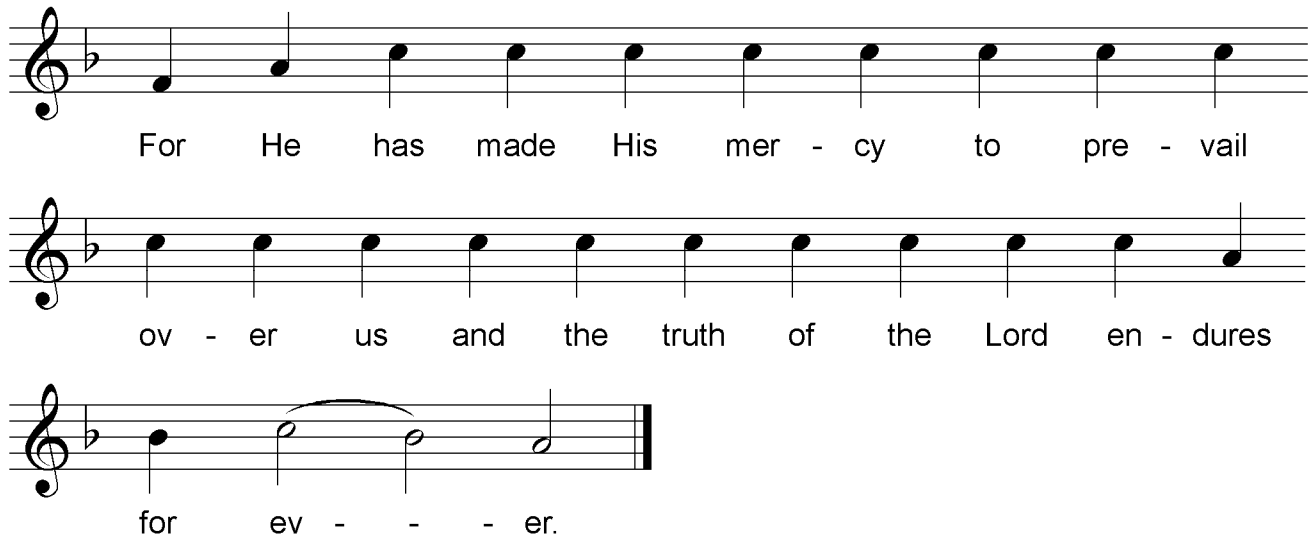
Verse:

O _____ praise the Lord, all na - tions, praise Him all you
 peo - ples.

Stichera:

Like the Pro - di - gal I have de - part - ed Your grace
 and wast - ed the rich - es of _____ Your love.
 But now, I run to You cry - ing,
 O com - pas - sion - ate Lord: I have sinned,
 O God, _____ have _____ mer - cy on me!

Verse 1:



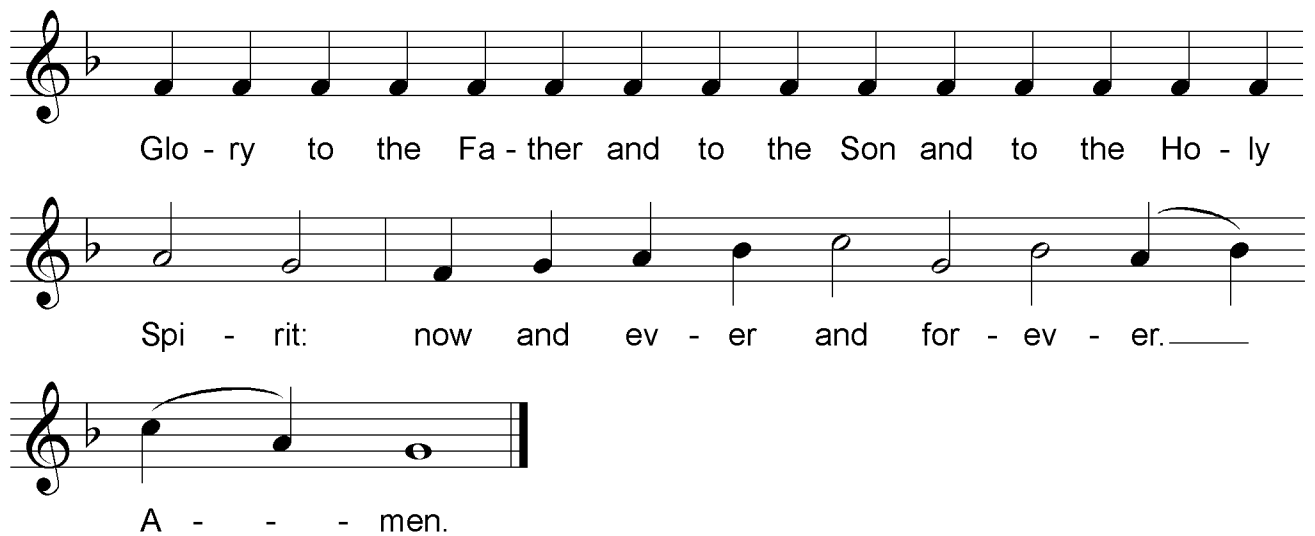
For He has made His mer - cy to pre -
vail
ov - er us and the truth of the Lord en -
dures
for ev - - - er.

Stichera:

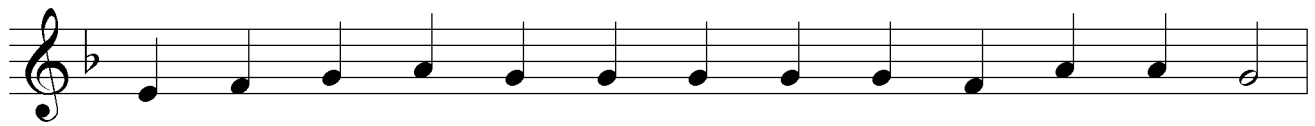
Repeat the above stichera:

In Tone 6

Glory Now and Ever verse:



Glo - ry to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly
Spi - rit: now and ev - er and for - ev - er.____
A - - - men.



I have scat-tered the rich - es which the Fa - ther gave me,



and was - ted my life as the Pro - di - gal,



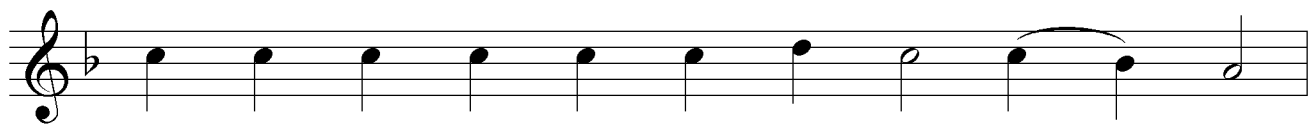
car - ried a - way by the e - vil thoughts of sin.



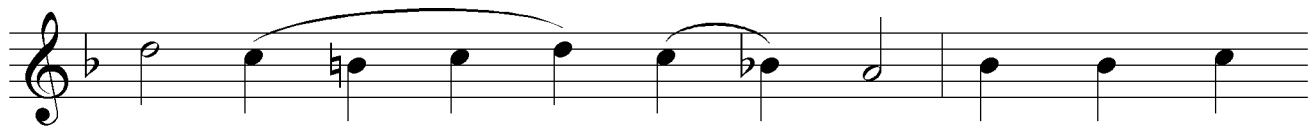
ta - king plea - sure in the sweet - ness of pas - sions,



I have trans-gressed Your sa - ving com - mand - ments and



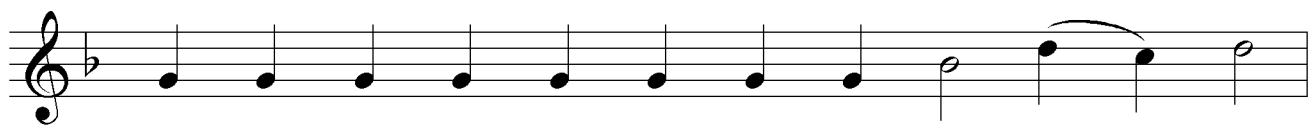
be - come like the un - think - ing an - i - mals.



O Christ my God! De - prive me



not of son - ship, but ac - cept me as I



now turn back like the Pro - di - gal Son to You,



Prokimens and Old Testament Readings Friday of the Third Week of Great Lent

The First Prokimen in Tone 4

O grant us Your help a - gainst the e - ne - my,
 for _____ vain is the help of _____ man.
 for vain is the help _____ of _____ man.

The First Old Testament Reading Genesis 8:4-21

In those days: In the seventh month, on the seventeenth day of the month, the ark came to rest upon the mountains of Ararat. And the waters continued to abate until the tenth month; in the tenth month, on the first day of the month, the tops of the mountains were seen. At the end of forty days Noah opened the window of the ark which he had made, and sent forth a raven; and it went to and fro until the waters were dried up from the earth. Then he sent forth a dove from him, to see if the waters had subsided from the face of the ground; but the dove found no place to set her foot, and she returned to him to the ark, for the waters were still on the face of the whole earth. So he put forth his hand and took her and brought her into the ark with him. He waited another seven days, and again he sent forth the dove out of the ark; and the dove came back to him in the evening, and lo, in her mouth a freshly plucked olive leaf; so Noah knew that the waters had subsided from the earth. Then he waited another seven days, and sent forth the dove; and she did not return to him any more. In the six hundred

and first year, in the first month, the first day of the month, the waters were dried from off the earth; and Noah removed the covering of the ark, and looked, and behold, the face of the ground was dry. In the second month, on the twenty-seventh day of the month, the earth was dry. Then God said to Noah, "Go forth from the ark, you and your wife, and your sons and your sons' wives with you. Bring forth with you every living thing that is with you of all flesh—birds and animals and every creeping thing that creeps on the earth—that they may breed abundantly on the earth, and be fruitful and multiply upon the earth." So Noah went forth, and his sons and his wife and his sons' wives with him. And every beast, every creeping thing, and every bird, everything that moves upon the earth, went forth by families out of the ark. Then Noah built an altar to the Lord, and took of every clean animal and of every clean bird, and offered burnt offerings on the altar. And when the Lord smelled the pleasing odor, the Lord said in his heart, "I will never again curse the ground because of man, for the imagination of man's heart is evil from his youth; neither will I ever again destroy every living creature as I have done.

The Second Prokimen in Tone 6

Hear my cry, O Lord, listen to my prayer.

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**The Second Old Testament Reading
Proverbs 10:31-11:12**

The mouth of the righteous brings forth wisdom, but the perverse tongue will be cut off. The lips of the righteous know what is acceptable, but the mouth of the wicked, what is perverse. A false balance is an abomination to the Lord, but a just weight is his delight. When pride comes, then comes disgrace; but with the humble is wisdom. The integrity of the upright guides them, but the crookedness

of the treacherous destroys them. Riches do not profit in the day of wrath, but righteousness delivers from death. The righteousness of the blameless keeps his way straight, but the wicked falls by his own wickedness. The righteousness of the upright delivers them, but the treacherous are taken captive by their lust. When the wicked dies, his hope perishes, and the expectation of the godless comes to nought. The righteous is delivered from trouble, and the wicked gets into it instead. With his mouth the godless man would destroy his neighbor, but by knowledge the righteous are delivered. When it goes well with the righteous, the city rejoices; and when the wicked perish there are shouts of gladness. By the blessing of the upright a city is exalted, but it is overthrown by the mouth of the wicked. He who belittles his neighbor lacks sense, but a man of understanding remains silent.