

Divine Liturgy, June 24, 2018
FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
THE NATIVITY OF THE HOLY PROPHET, FORERUNNER,
AND BAPTIST JOHN

Hymn

melody: Pod tvoj pokrov / We hasten to your patronage



O bless - ed John, the Mas - ter's friend, The Fore - run - ner of Christ,
You spring from par - ents' bar - ren loins, The Mas - ter's gar - den chaste,
First came the lamp, and then the Light; First voice, and then the Word.



At Jor - dan's stream, you touched the head Be - yond all na - ture's price.
The Bap - tist of the Christ, our Lord, And glo - ry of our race.
The Bridegroom's friend, and then the Groom; His end - less cry is heard:

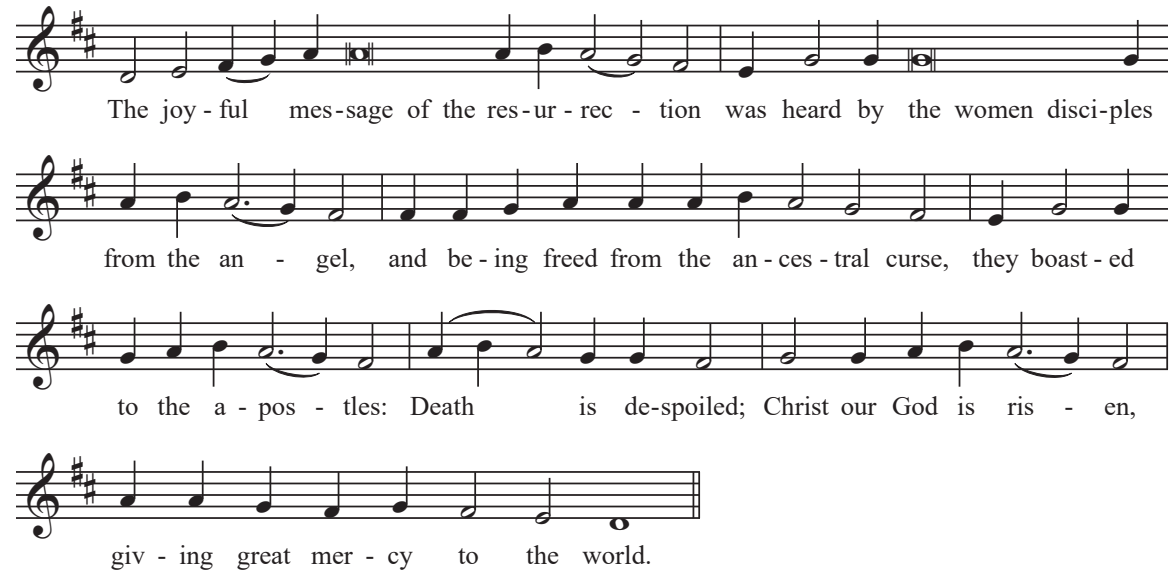


By your sin - cere and con - stant pray'r, Raise my soul to the Lord,
We praise you, great Fore - run - ner John, O guar - dian of our life:
Re - pent, O peo - ple, change your ways, The Bridegroom will ap - pear!



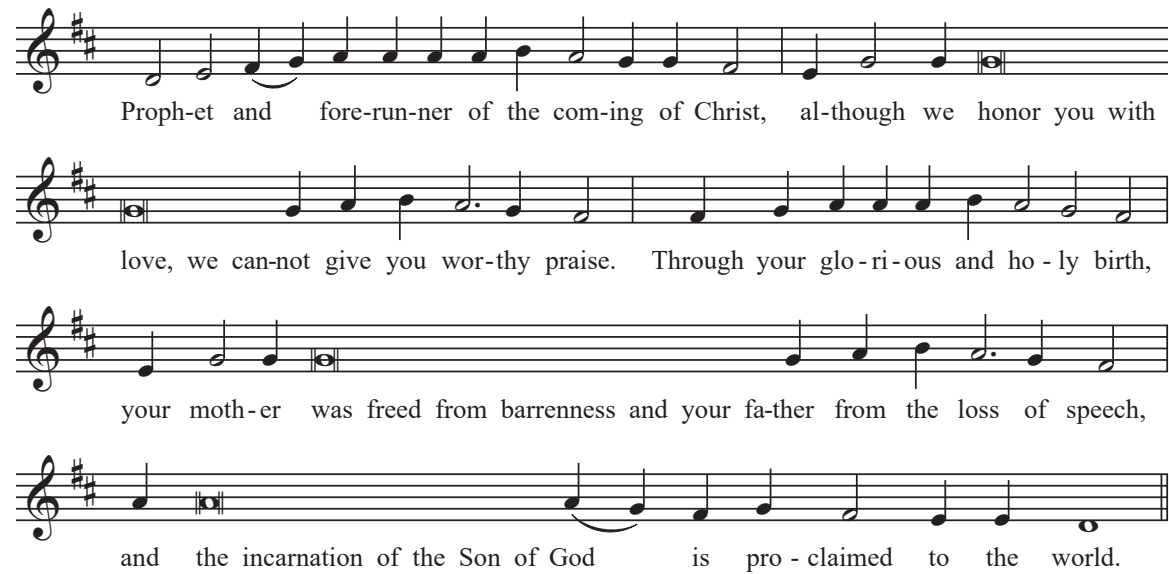
Put out the flames of pas - sion's fire That Christ be e'er a - dored.
Re - pel the Ser - pent's fierce at - tacks De - fend us in all strife.
Cast sin a - side, and safe - ly bide, Seek Christ in faith and fear!

Troparion of the Resurrection - Tone 4



The joy - ful mes - sage of the res - ur - rec - tion was heard by the women disci - ples
from the an - gel, and be - ing freed from the an - ces - tral curse, they boast - ed
to the a - pos - tles: Death is de - spoiled; Christ our God is ris - en,
giv - ing great mer - cy to the world.

Troparion of the Nativity of the Forerunner - Tone 4



Proph - et and fore - run - ner of the com - ing of Christ, al - though we honor you with
love, we can - not give you wor - thy praise. Through your glo - ri - ous and ho - ly birth,
your moth - er was freed from barrenness and your fa - ther from the loss of speech,
and the incarnation of the Son of God is pro - claimed to the world.

The usual Communion Hymn for Sunday is (Psalm 148:1): (melody A found on page 76)

And for the Forerunner, the Communion Hymn is (Psalm 111:6,7):

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The just man will be re-mem-bered for-ev - er; e - vil news he

Refrain
will not fear, e - vil news he will not fear. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia!

Cantor

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

Kontakion of the Forerunner - Tone 3

To - day she who once was barren gives birth to Christ's fore-run - ner. He him-self is the ful-fill-ment of all proph-e - cy; for in the Jor-dan, he im-posed his hand up - on the Word of God whom the proph - ets had fore - told and was shown to be his proph-et, her - ald, and fore - run - - - ner.

Cantor

Now and ev - er and for - ev - er. A - men.

Kontakion of the Resurrection - Tone 4

O my Sav-ior and Re - deem - er, as God, you raised from the grave all those who were in chains and de-stroyed the gates of Ha - des, and, as Lord, you



a - rose on the third day.

Prokeimenon of the Resurrection - Tone 4 (Psalm 103:24,1):



How man - y are your works, O Lord. In wis - dom you have made them all.



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Verse: Bless the Lord, my soul. Lord my God, how great you are.

Immediately after the verse:

Prokeimenon of the Forerunner - Tone 7 (Psalm 63:11,2):



The just man will re-joice in the Lord, re - joice in the Lord



and will put his trust in him.

Alleluia of the Resurrection - Tone 4 (Psalm 44:5,8):



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

Verse: Go forth; triumph and reign for the sake of truth and meekness and justice.

Verse: You love justice and hate wickedness.

After the second verse:

Alleluia of the Forerunner - Tone 1 (Luke 1:68,76):



Al - le - lu - - - ia! Al - - - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - - - ia!

Verse: Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel,
for he has visited and brought redemption to his people.

Verse: [And you, O child, shall be called prophet of the Most High.]

Instead of "It is truly proper . . ."

Magnification:



Ex - tol, ex - tol, O my soul, O my soul,



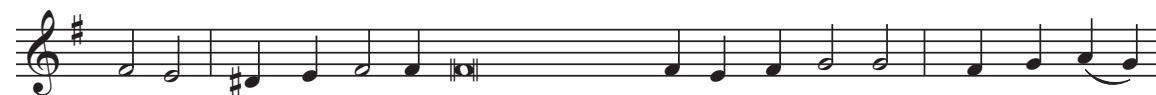
the ho - ly birth of John the Bap - tist and Fore - run - ner of Christ.

Irmos:

Tone 6 Irmos, simple setting:



The in - ef - fa - ble mystery of the Word of God is clear - ly re - vealed, most pure



Vir - gin. God has tak - en a body from you in his com - pas - sion. Therefore, we



ex - tol you as the The - o - to - - - kos.