

November 21
THE ENTRANCE
OF THE THEOTOKOS AND EVER-VIRGIN MARY INTO THE TEMPLE

Hymn

melody: Pod tvoj pokrov / We Hasten to Your Patronage



1. Come, all you lov-ers of the feasts: with joy now greet the day
2. To - day the tem-ple of our God re - ceives the per - fect Ark



When Jo - a - chim and An-na came up o'er the moun - tain way.
Pre - pared a - fore-hand to re - ceive the Law's ful - fill - ment, Christ.

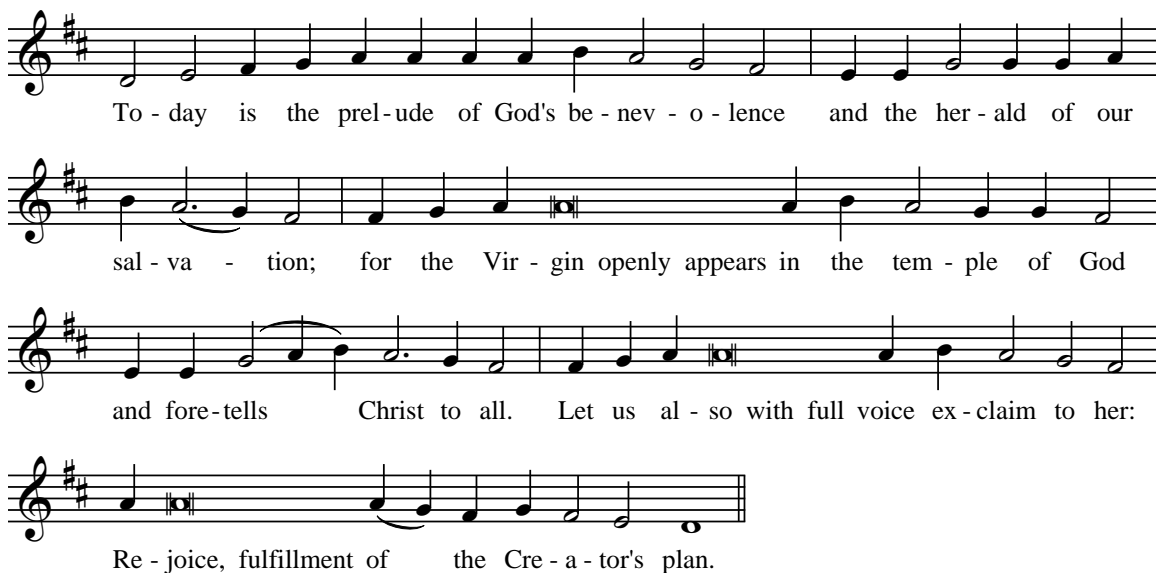


They jour-neyed on to keep a vow made to our God, the Lord;
For this glad feast of En - trance now we sing with prais - es meet



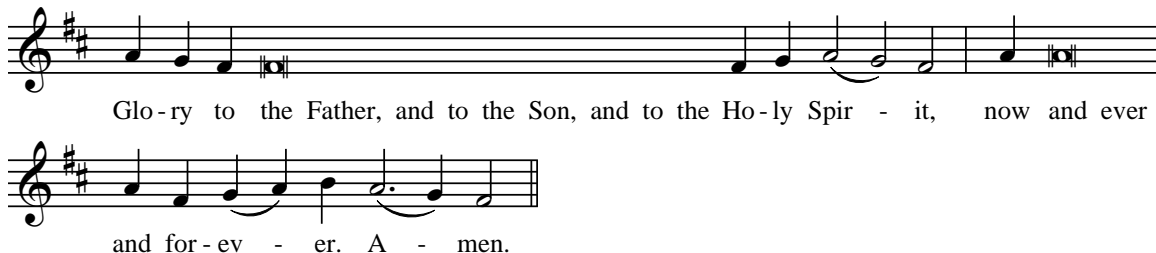
They brought their on - ly child to Him, best gift they could af - ford.
With Mar - y, to the Fa - ther, Son, and to the Par - a - clete.

Troparion - Tone 4



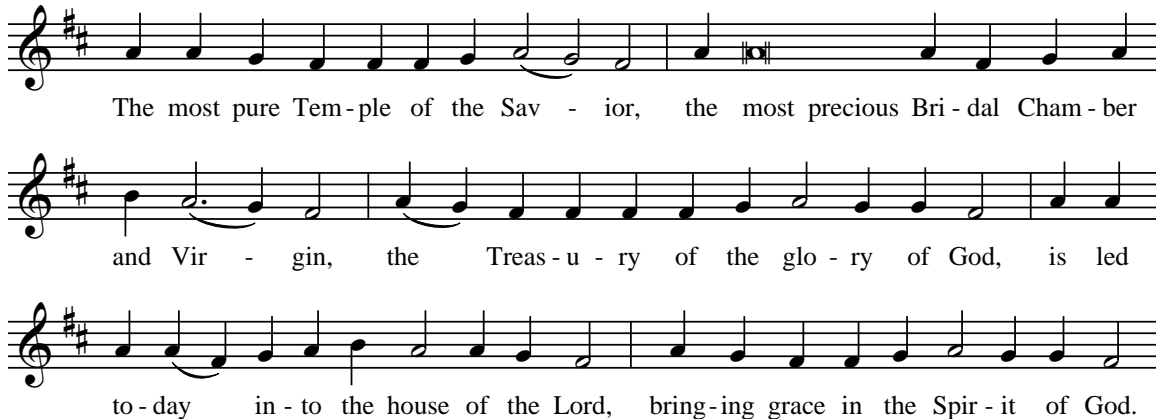
To - day is the pre - lude of God's be - nev - o - lence and the her - ald of our
sal - va - tion; for the Vir - gin openly appears in the tem - ple of God
and fore - tells Christ to all. Let us al - so with full voice ex - claim to her:
Re - joice, fulfillment of the Cre - a - tor's plan.

Cantor



Glo - ry to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir - it, now and ever
and for - ev - er. A - men.

Kontakion - Tone 4



The most pure Tem - ple of the Sav - ior, the most precious Bri - dal Cham - ber
and Vir - gin, the Treas - u - ry of the glo - ry of God, is led
to - day in - to the house of the Lord, bring - ing grace in the Spir - it of God.

God's angels praise her in song; she is the Heav - en - ly Ark.

Prokeimenon - Tone 3 (Luke 1:46-48):

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord and my spir - it re-joic - es
in God my Sav - - - ior.

Verse: For he has looked with favor on the humility of his servant;
from this day forward, all generations will call me blessed.

Alleluia - Tone 8 (Psalm 44:11,13):

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

Verse: Listen, O daughter, and see and incline your ear.

Verse: The rich among the people will seek your favor.

Cherubic Hymn

based on "O, kto, kto"

Let us who mys - tic - 'ly rep - re - sent the cher - u - bim and sing the
thrice-ho - ly hymn to the life-cre - at - ing, life-cre - at - ing Trin - i - ty
now set a - side all earth - ly cares.

After the commemorations:

A - men. That we may re-ceive the King of all, in - vis - i - bly es -
cort - ed by an - gel - ic hosts. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
Al - - - le - lu - ia.

Anamnesis Acclamation

We praise you, we bless you, we thank you, thank you, O
Lord, and we pray to you, our God, and we pray to you, our God,
and we pray to you, our God.

Instead of "It is truly proper . . ."

Magnification:

The an - gels were struck with a-maze - ment, be-hold - ing the en-trance
of the Most Pure; see - ing how the Vir - gin en-tered in - to the




Ho - ly of Ho - lies.

Irmos:

Tone 6 Irmos, simple setting



Let no un - in - i - ti - at - ed hand touch the liv - ing Ark of God;



but let faith - ful lips, sing - ing with - out ceas - ing the words of




the angel to the The - o - to - kos, cry a - loud in great joy: O pure



Vir - gin, you are tru - ly ex - alt - ed o - ver all.

Communion Hymn (Psalm 115:4):



I shall take the chal - ice of sal - va - tion, and call up - on the name of the Lord.

Refrain



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

Hymn for the Entrance

text: John Kahanick



1. See - ing Mar - y come this day to the Tem - ple of the Lord,
2. To the Tem - ple brought was she, In - stru - ment of God to be.
3. Child of beau - ty to be - hold, by the Proph - ets was fore - told.
4. Mar - y, Vir - gin full of Grace, cho - sen from the hu - man race,
5. To the Ho - ly of Ho - lies came this maid - en free from sin,



An - gels mar - velled with great joy, sing - ing all in one ac - cord.
all be - cause of Ad - am's fall, came to bring forth Christ for all.
To the Tem - ple came to stay, in God's ser - vice there to pray.
To the Tem - ple came to live, there to Gd her life to give.
Brought by Jo - a - chim and Anne, there her new life to be - gin.



Came this young child, on - ly three, Moth - er of our God to be.



Hail to the Cre - a - tor's plan for sal - va - tion of man.