

## Moleben to our Holy Father Basil the Great

**Priest:** Blessed is our God, always, now and ever and forever.

**Response:**



A - men.



Glo - ry to you, our God, glo - ry *to* you.

Heavenly King, Comforter, Spirit of Truth,  
everywhere present and filling all things,  
Treasury of Blessings and Giver of Life,  
come and dwell within us,  
cleanse us of all stain,  
and save our souls, O *gracious* One.

*During the Paschal season, omit "Glory to you" and "Heavenly King" and sing three times:*



Christ is ris - en from the dead! By death he tram-pled death,

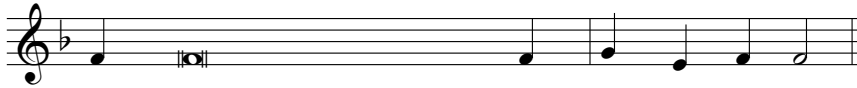


and to those in the tombs he gran-ted life.

Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy and Immortal,  
have mercy *on* us. (*3 times*)

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,  
now and ever and forever. Amen.

Most Holy Trinity, have mercy on us;  
 Lord, cleanse us of our sins;  
 Master, forgive our transgressions;  
 Holy One, come to us and heal our infirmities for *your* name's sake.

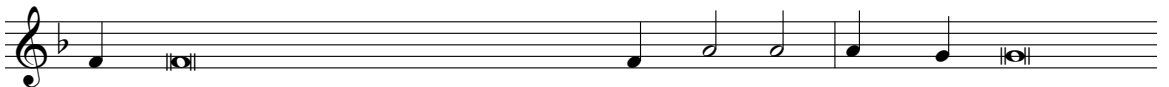


Lord, have mercy. Lord have mer-cy. Lord have mer - cy.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,  
 now and ever and forever. Amen.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.  
 Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.  
 Give us this day our daily bread,  
 and forgive us our trespasses  
 as we forgive those who trespass against us,  
 and lead us not into temptation,  
 but deliver us *from* evil.

**Priest:** For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever.



Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mercy. Lord,



have mercy. Lord, have mer - cy.

(sung twice)

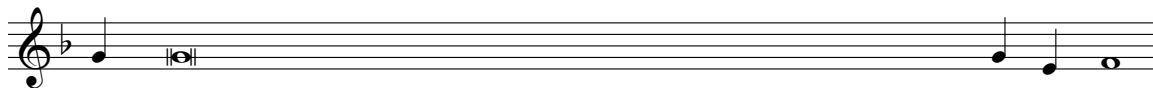
Glory to the Father, and to the the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,  
 now and ever and forever. Amen.

## Call to Worship

*Each time with a reverence:*



Come, let us worship our King and God. Come, let us worship Christ, our King and God.



Come, let us worship and bow before the only Lord Jesus Christ, the King and our God.

## Psalm 142

O Lord, listen to my prayer: turn your ear to my appeal.

You are faithful, you are just; *give* answer.

Do not call your servant to judgment

for no one is just in *your* sight.

The enemy pursues my soul;

he has crushed my life to *the* ground;

he has made me dwell in darkness

like the dead, long *forgotten*.

Therefore my spirit fails;

my heart is numb *within* me.

I remember the days that are past:

I ponder all *your* works.

I muse on what your hand has wrought

and to you I stretch out my hands.

Like a parched land

my soul thirsts *for* you.

Lord, make haste and answer;

for my spirit fails *within* me.

Do not hide your face  
lest I become like those in *the* grave.

In the morning let me know your love  
for I put my trust *in* you.

Make me know the way I should walk:  
to you I lift up *my* soul.

Rescue me, Lord, from my enemies;  
I have fled to you *for* refuge.

Teach me to do your will  
for you, O Lord, are *my* God.

Let your good spirit guide me  
in ways that are level *and* smooth.

For your name's sake, Lord, save my life;  
in your justice save my soul from *distress*.

In your love make an end of my foes;  
destroy all those who oppress me  
for I am your servant, *O* Lord.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit:  
now and ever and forever. *Amen*.

*Three times, each with a reverence:*

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Glory to you, *O* God!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Glory to you, *O* God!

*The third time, with melody:*



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Glo - ry to you, O God!

The musical notation is a single line of music on a five-line staff with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody consists of quarter notes for the first three phrases and a mix of quarter and eighth notes for the final phrase. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across notes.

*The deacon chants on one tone:*

**Deacon:** The Lord is God and has revealed himself to us;  
blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

**Response:**

*Troparion Tone 1*

The Lord is God and has revealed him - self to us; bless-ed is he  
who comes in the name of the Lord.

*The deacon remains at the ambon and chants the verses. If there is no deacon, the priest remains at the holy doors and chants the verses.*

**Deacon:** Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;  
for his love endures forever.

**Response:** *repeat "The Lord is God..."*

**Deacon:** They encircled me, compassed me about;  
in the Lord's name I crushed them.

**Response:** *repeat "The Lord is God..."*

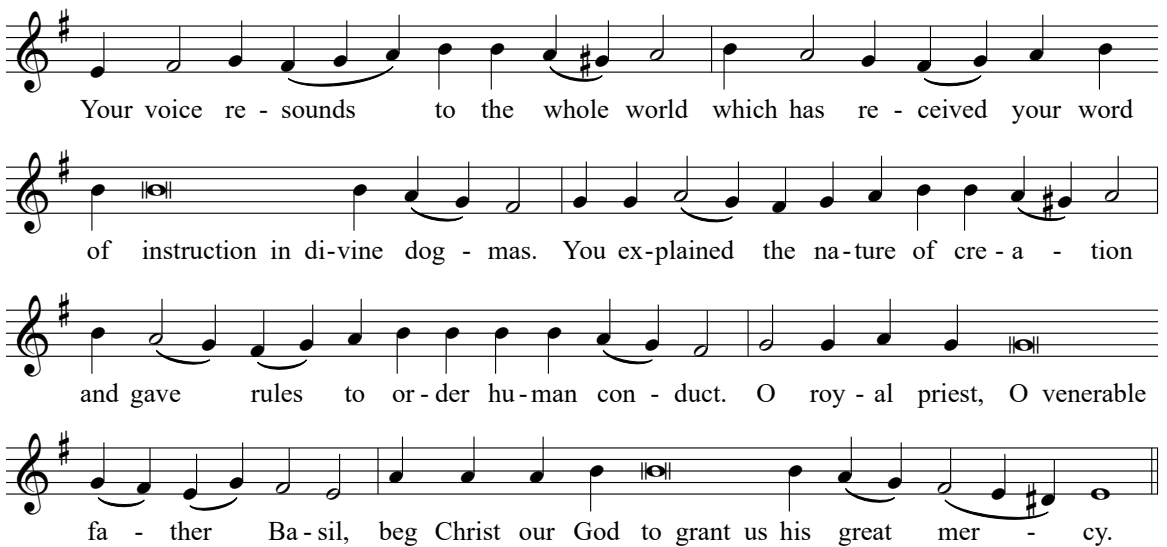
**Deacon:** I shall not die, I shall live  
and recount the deeds of the Lord.

**Response:** *repeat "The Lord is God..."*

**Deacon:** The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.  
This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes.

**Response:** *repeat "The Lord is God..."*

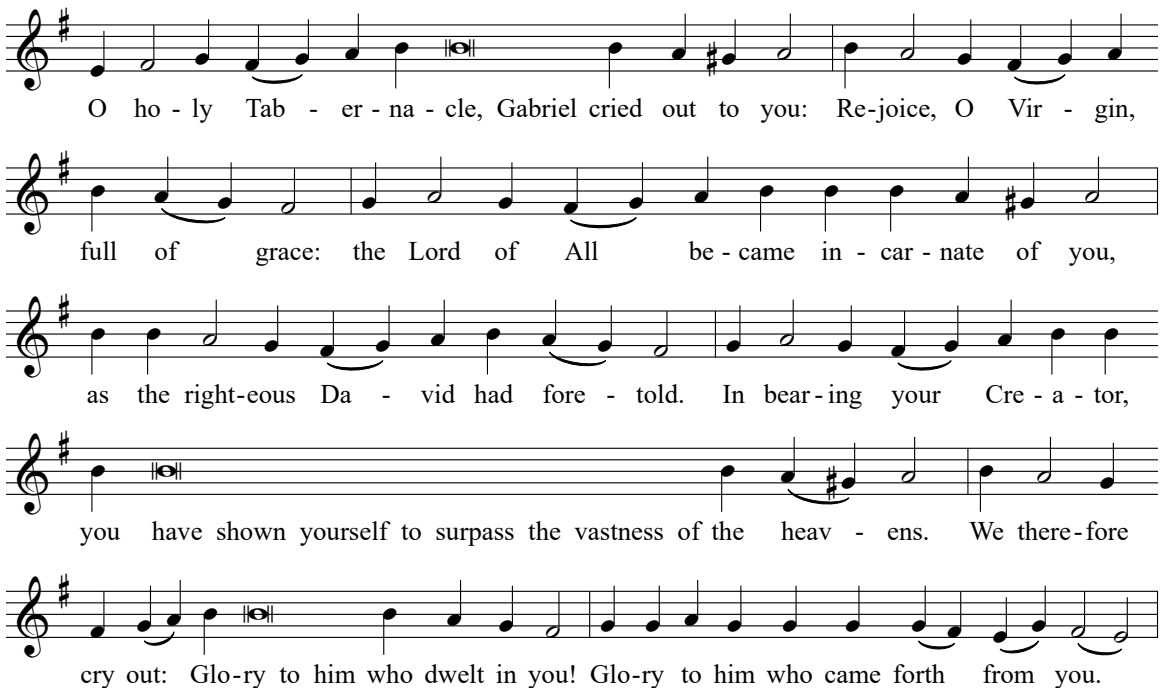
**Troparion - Tone 1**



Your voice re - sounds to the whole world which has re - ceived your word  
of instruction in di-vine dog - mas. You ex-plained the na-ture of cre - a - tion  
and gave rules to or - der hu-man con - duct. O roy - al priest, O venerable  
fa - ther Ba - sil, beg Christ our God to grant us his great mer - cy.

**Cantor:** Glory...now and ever...

**Festal Theotokion - Tone 1**



O ho - ly Tab - er - na - cle, Gabriel cried out to you: Re-joice, O Vir - gin,  
full of grace: the Lord of All be - came in - car - nate of you,  
as the right-eous Da - vid had fore - told. In bear - ing your Cre - a - tor,  
you have shown yourself to surpass the vastness of the heav - ens. We there-fore  
cry out: Glo-ry to him who dwelt in you! Glo-ry to him who came forth from you.



Glo - ry to him who has set us free through your life - giv - ing birth.

### Exaltation



We ex - tol you, O Ba - sil, arch - bi - shop of Christ, and we



hon - or your ho - ly mem - o - ry, be - cause you pray to Christ our God



for us.

*The deacon chants the following verses, and the faithful repeat the Exaltation after each verse.*

**Verse:** Shout joyfully to the Lord, all the earth;  
sing praise to his name, give to him glorious praise.

**Verse:** Your priests will be clothed with righteousness and your saints will rejoice

**Verse:** Many are the trials of the just one, but from them all the Lord will rescue him.

**Verse:** They are happy, who dwell in your house, forever singing your praise.

**Verse:** Glory...now and ever...

*Then three times, each with a reverence:*



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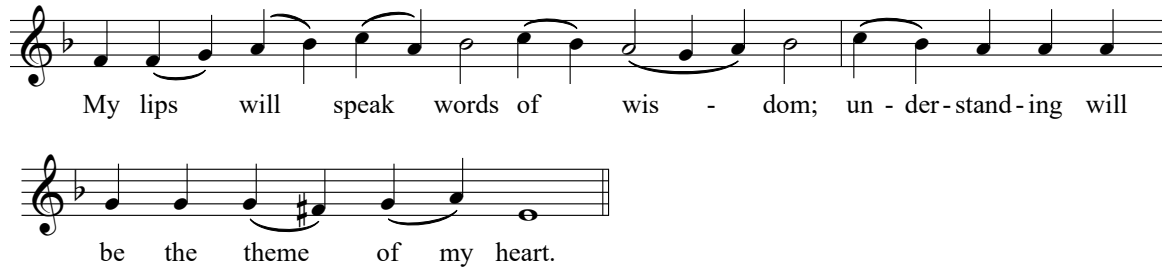
*All repeat "We extol you..."*

**Deacon:** Let us be attentive!

**Priest:** Peace be to all!

**Deacon:** Wisdom! Be attentive!

**Prokeimenon - Tone 4** (Psalm 48: 4, 2)




My lips will speak words of wis - dom; un - der - stand - ing will  
be the theme of my heart.

**Deacon:** Hear this, all you nations, give heed, all who dwell in the world.

*All repeat the prokeimenon.*

**Deacon:** Let us pray to the Lord.



**Response:** Lord, have mer - cy.

**Priest:** For you are holy, O our God, and you dwell in the holy place, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever.



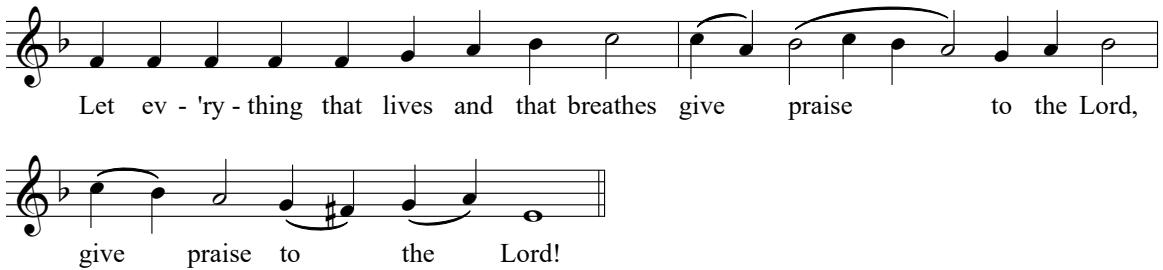
**Response:** A - men.



**Deacon:** Let everything that lives and that breathes give praise to the Lord!

**Response:**

*Troparion Tone 4*



Let ev - 'ry - thing that lives and that breathes give praise to the Lord,  
give praise to the Lord!

**Deacon:** Praise God in his holy place; praise him in his mighty heavens.

*All repeat "Let everything that lives..."*

**Deacon:** That we may be deemed worthy of hearing the holy Gospel, let us pray to the Lord, our God.

**Response:**

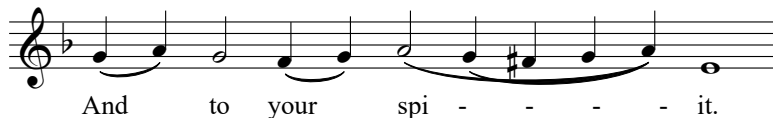


Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - - cy.

**Deacon:** Wisdom! Let us stand and listen to the holy Gospel.

**Priest:** Peace be to all!

**Response:**



And to your spi - - - it.

**Priest:** A reading of the holy Gospel according to John.

**Response:**



Glo - - - ry to you, O Lord, glo - ry to you.

**Deacon:** Let us be attentive.

**Priest:** [John 10:9-16 - *the Good Shepherd*. Gospel book: November 12]

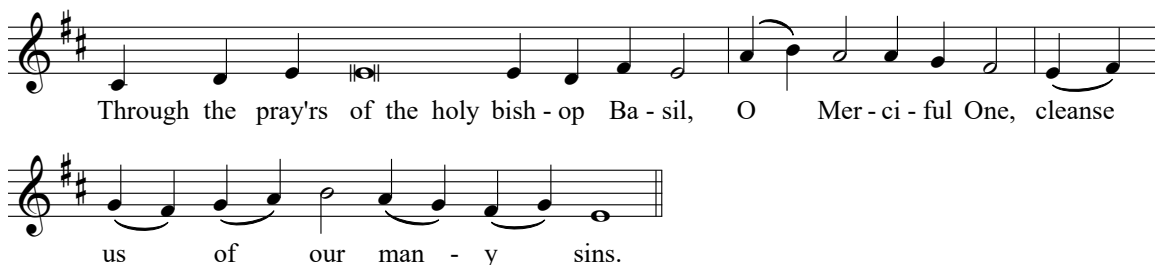
**Response:**



Glo - - - ry to you, O Lord, glo - ry to you.

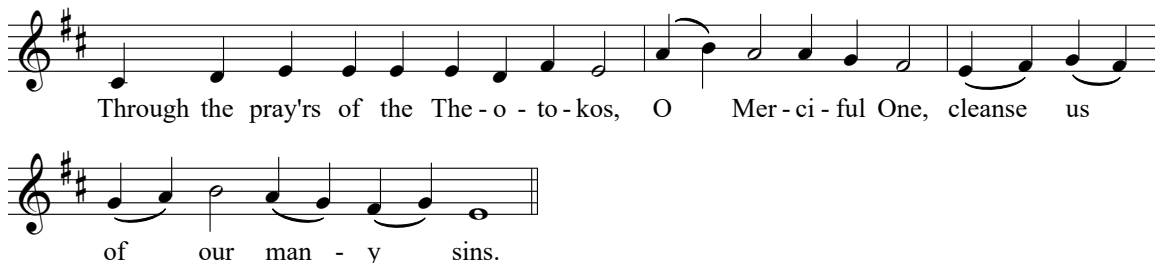
*A homily may be given at this point if desired.*

**Cantor:** (*Tone 6*) Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.



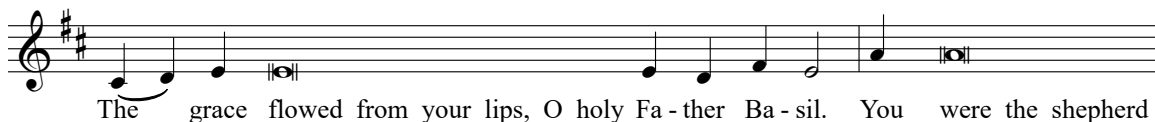
Through the pray'rs of the holy bish - op Ba - sil, O Mer - ci - ful One, cleanse us of our man - y sins.

**Cantor:** Now and ever and forever. Amen.

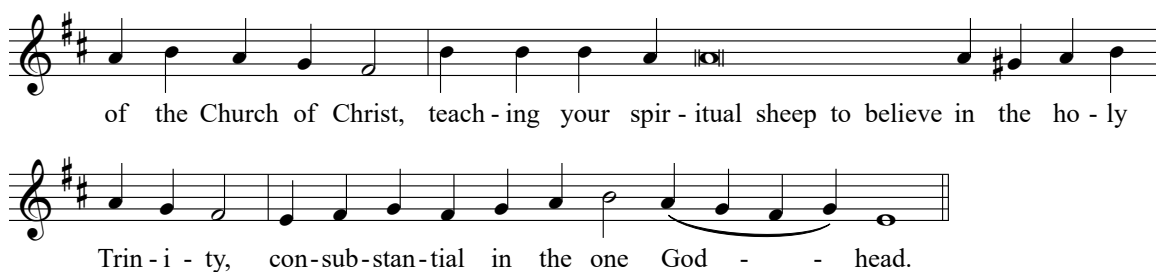


Through the pray'rs of the The - o - to - kos, O Mer - ci - ful One, cleanse us of our man - y sins.

**Cantor:** Have mercy on me, O God, in your kindness.  
In your compassion blot out my offense.

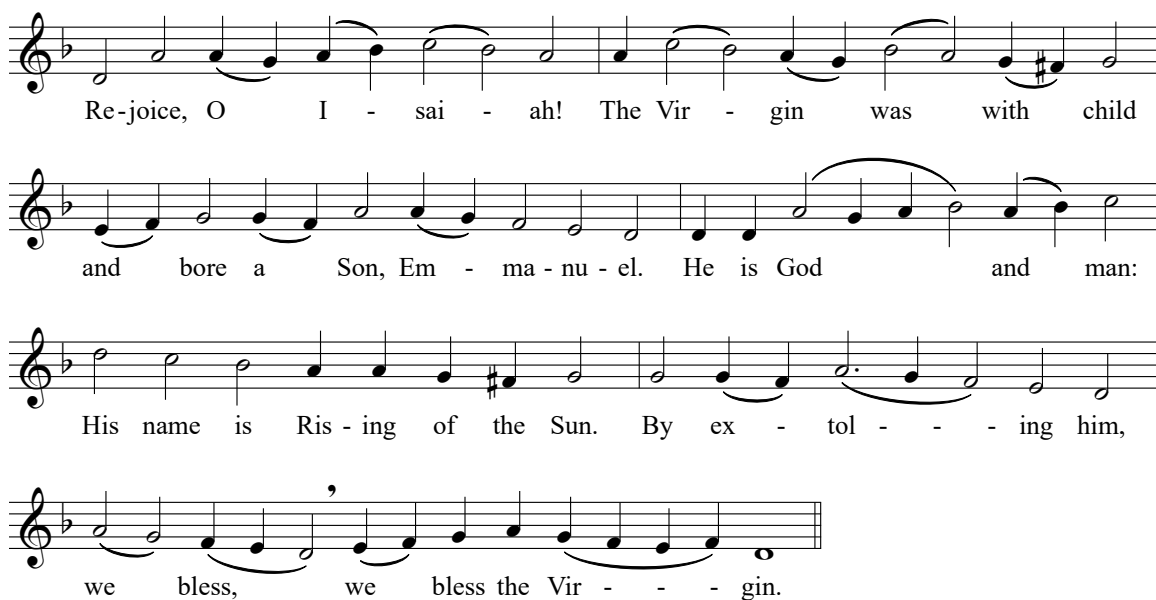


The grace flowed from your lips, O holy Fa - ther Ba - sil. You were the shepherd



of the Church of Christ, teach - ing your spir - itual sheep to believe in the ho - ly  
Trin - i - ty, con-sub-stan- tial in the one God - - head.

### Ode 9 - Irmos



Re-joice, O I - sai - ah! The Vir - gin was with child  
and bore a Son, Em - ma - nu - el. He is God and man:  
His name is Ris - ing of the Sun. By ex - tol - - - ing him,  
we bless, we bless the Vir - - - gin.

#### *Refrain*



Ho - ly Fa - ther Ba - sil, pray to God for us.

*The lector chants the verses recitando:*

O holy Father Basil, as a faithful sheep of Christ, you followed in the life-giving footsteps of the Shepherd. You courageously delivered your life into the hands of the tyrant, O blessed Father, exposing yourself to danger for the sake of the Church. *Refrain*

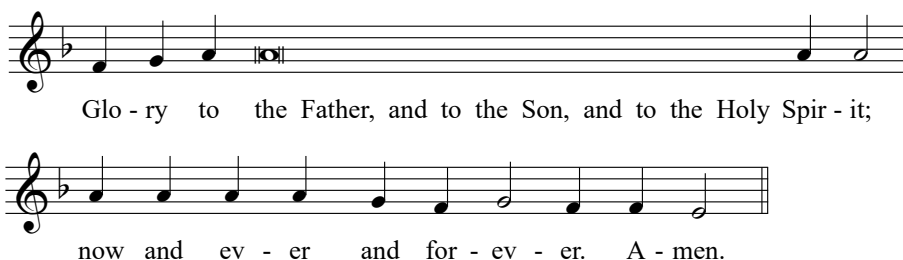
The enemy saw the holiness of the Church of Christ, adorned with the splendor of your sanctity, O wise one. The persecutor was shaken as if by thunder, and he fell because he could not endure the Holy Spirit whose brightness you reflected. *Refrain*

O holy Father Basil, you became worthy of the chair of the apostles, the ranks of the martyrs of Christ, the tabernacles of the patriarchs, the delight of the holy ones, and the company of the prophets. You were a friend of the Theotokos and a servant of the holy Trinity. *Refrain*

You walked the arduous path of virtue and at last arrived at the smooth and gradual ascent to heaven. In this way you became an example for all, O holy Father Basil. *Refrain*

You have been familiar with ineffable things, O holy Father, and initiated many into the kingdom of Christ, having plainly made the light of the Trinity shine upon us.. *Refrain*

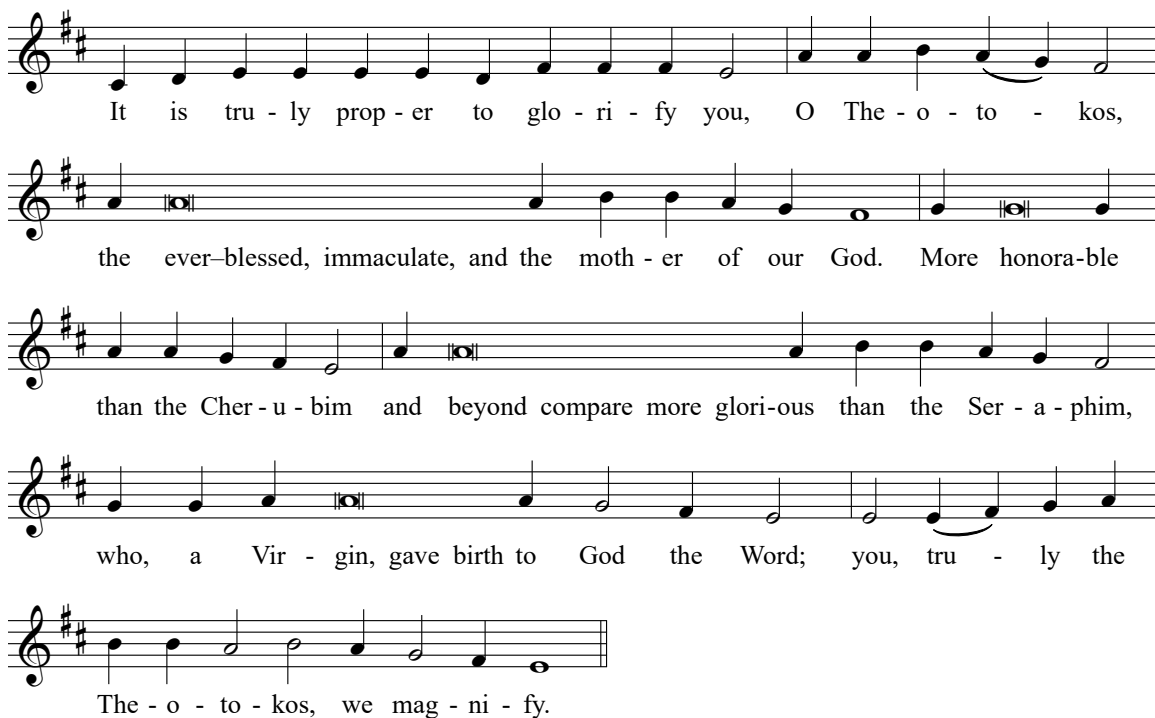
Desiring to sing your praises, O holy Basil, we need the greatness of your voice; but since you are understanding, O Father, receive our prayer and obtain for us an abundance of grace.



Glo - ry to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spir - it;  
now and ev - er and for - ev - er. A - men.

O ever-pure One, who can fittingly praise your conceiving of the Word? For you, O most holy Virgin, gave birth in the flesh to God, the Savior and Lord of us all.

Then we sing the Hymn to the Theotokos:



It is tru - ly prop - er to glo - ri - fy you, O The - o - to - kos,  
the ever-blessed, immaculate, and the moth - er of our God. More honora-ble  
than the Cher - u - bim and beyond compare more glori-ous than the Ser - a - phim,  
who, a Vir - gin, gave birth to God the Word; you, tru - ly the  
The - o - to - kos, we mag - ni - fy.

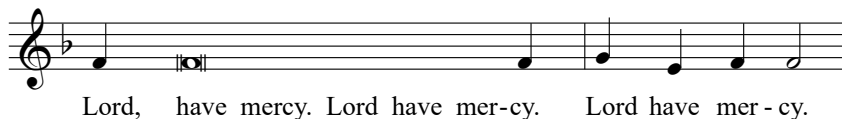
*During the Paschal season, "Shine in splendor" is sung in place of "It is truly proper."*

### Trisagion Prayers

Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy and Immortal,  
have mercy *on* us. (3 times)

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,  
now and ever and forever. Amen.

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Lord, have mercy. Lord have mer-cy. Lord have mer-cy.

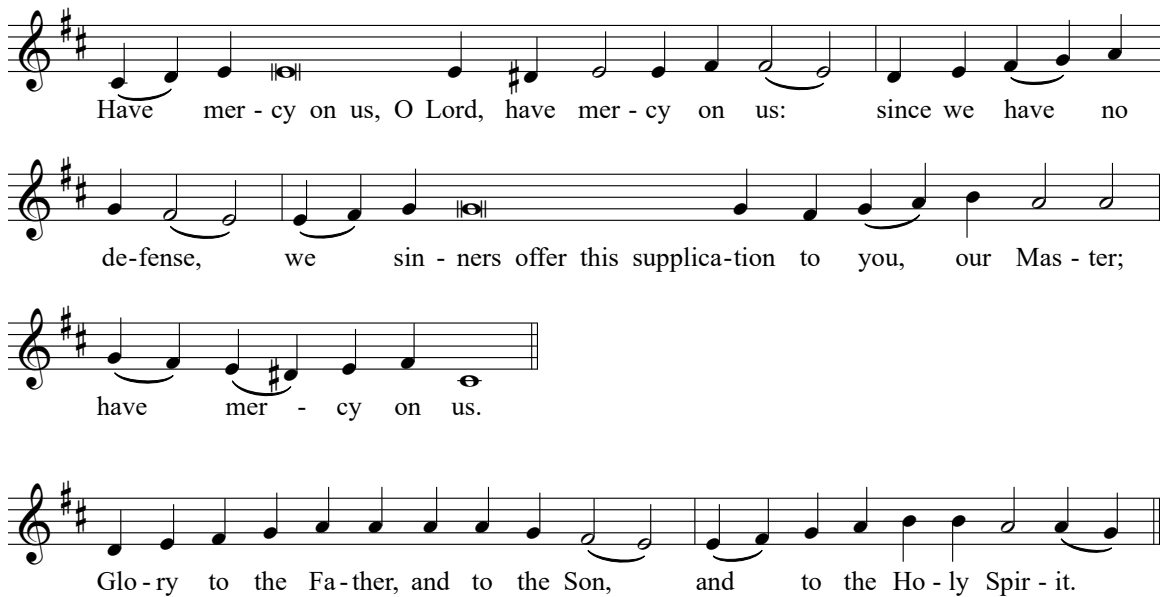
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Give us this day our daily bread,  
and forgive us our trespasses  
as we forgive those who trespass against us,  
and lead us not into temptation,  
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**Priest:** For thine is the kingdom and the power and glory,  
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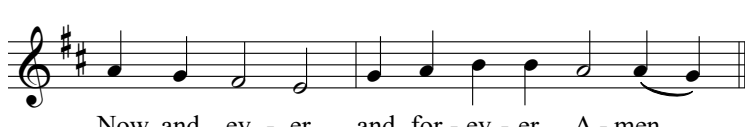
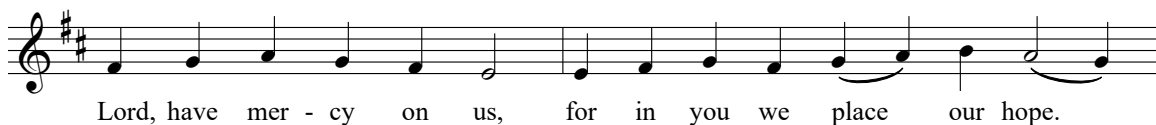
**Response:**   
A - men.

**Troparion - Tone 6 (adapt.):**

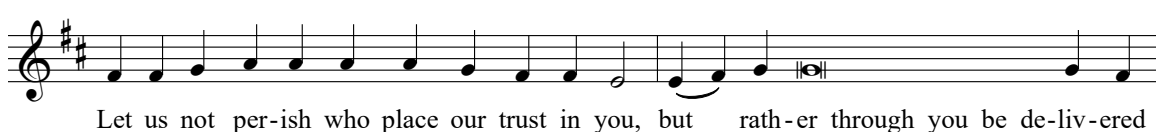
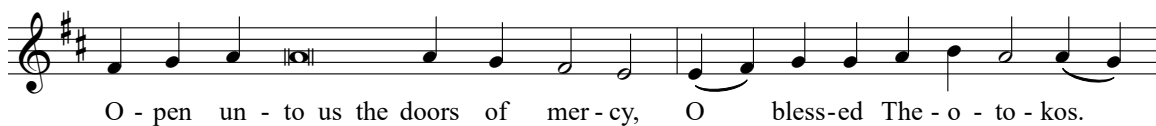


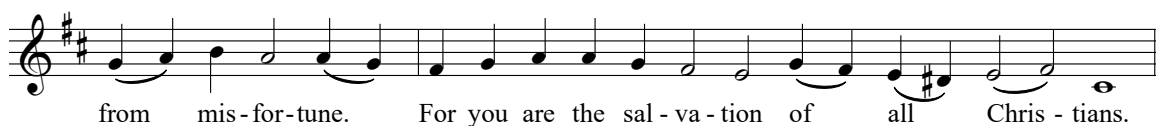
Have mer - cy on us, O Lord, have mer - cy on us: since we have no  
de-fense, we sin - ners offer this supplica-tion to you, our Mas - ter;  
have mer - cy on us.  
Glo - ry to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir - it.

**Kontakion - Tone 6 Troparion (adapt.):**



**Theotokion - Tone 6 Troparion (adapt.):**






from mis-for-tune. For you are the sal - va - tion of all Chris - tians.

### Litany of Fervent Supplication

**Deacon:** Have mercy on us, O God, according to your great mercy, we pray you, hear and have mercy.

**Response:**



Lord, have mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy.

**Deacon:** Again we pray for our holy father, (*Name*), pope of Rome, and for our most reverend metropolitan, (*Name*), for the God-loving bishop, (*Name*), for those who serve and have served in this holy church, for our spiritual fathers, and for all our brothers and sisters in Christ.

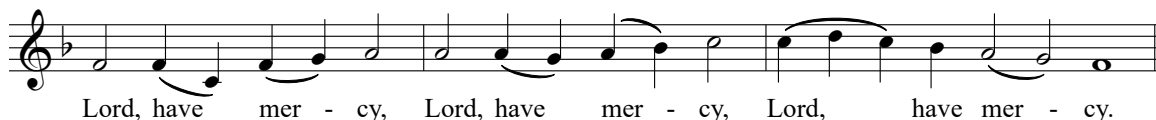
**Response:**



Lord, have mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy.

**Deacon:** Again we pray for our government and for all in the service of our country.

**Response:**




Lord, have mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy.

*(Special petitions may be inserted here if desired.)*

**Deacon:** Again we pray for the people here present who await your great and abundant mercy, for those who show us mercy, and for all Christians of the true faith.



**Response:**



Lord, have mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy, Lord, have mer - cy.

**Priest:** For you are a merciful and loving God, and we give glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever.


**Response:**



A - men.

**Deacon:** Bowing our heads in humility. let us pray.

**Response:**



Lord, have mer - cy.

**Priest:** Holy Father Basil, glorious teacher for the whole Church, pastor and dedicated shepherd of Christ's flock, limitless source of theology; instructor, commentator and interpreter of the ineffable Mysteries of God; chief source and organizer of monastic rules for the common life; brilliant image of purity and chastity; beautiful living icon of poverty, patience and meekness; lover of the rule of abstinence; guardian of poverty; valiant soldier fighting the heretical enemies of God; victorious warrior and invincible advocate of the triune Divinity; true defender of the honor and glory of the Most Holy Trinity; ardent devotee of the Mother of God and courageous champion of her immaculate humanity and divine maternity, as well as of her lofty intercession! See how I - sinful and guilty - fall humbly before you and beg you, O teacher of Christ's universal Church: teach me to direct my steps in the way of God's law, and to walk with such respect for Him that I veer neither to the right nor the left of His commandments. Enlighten my crude understanding that I might become ever wiser in the things of God through the wisdom of your direction. Make me wiser day by day! Bend my perverted will from transitory and carnal infatuations and desires, and set it on permanent, spiritual and heavenly satisfaction and rewards. Guide my memory to be aware of

**Priest:** my destiny, for which I was created and brought to life. Assist me to be enrolled among the citizens of heaven, so that with you and with all the saints who have pleased God, I might stand before His glorious throne and return praise to the life-creating, consubstantial and undivided Trinity in a song which never ends.

**Response:**   
A - men.


### Dismissal

*(In Paschal time, see page 19)*

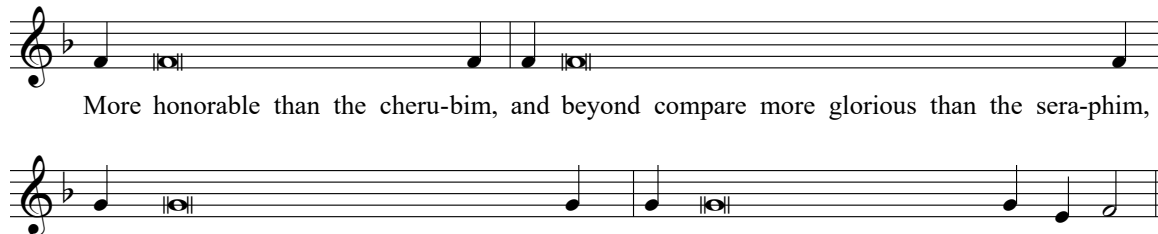
**Deacon:** Wisdom!

**Response:**   
Give the bles-sing.

**Priest:** Blessed is Christ our God, the One-Who-Is, always, now and ever and forever.

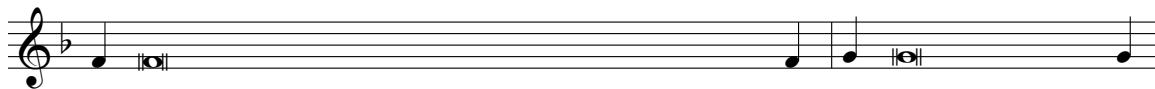
**Response:**   
A - men. O God, uphold the holy and true faith, for-ev - er and ev - er.

**Priest:** O most holy Theotokos, save us!

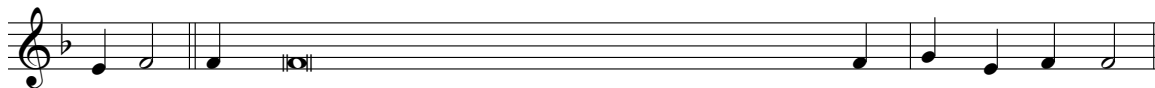
**Response:**   
More honorable than the cheru-bim, and beyond compare more glorious than the sera-phim,  
who, a virgin, gave birth to God the Word, you, truly the Theotokos, we mag-ni - fy.

**Priest:** Glory to you, O Christ God, our hope; glory to you!

**Response:**

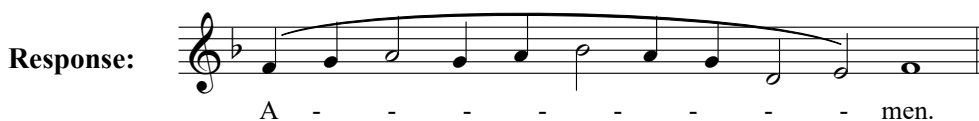


Glo-ry to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir-it; now and ever and for ev-er.



A-men. Lord, have mercy, Lord have mercy, Lord, have mer-cy. Give the bless-ing.

**Priest:** May Christ our true God, have mercy on us and save us through the prayers of his most pure Mother; and of our holy father Basil the Great, archbishop of Caesarea in Cappadocia [*if January 1, add: whose memory we gloriously celebrate today*]; and through the prayers of all the saints; for Christ is good and loves us all..



A - - - - - men.

### Paschal Dismissal

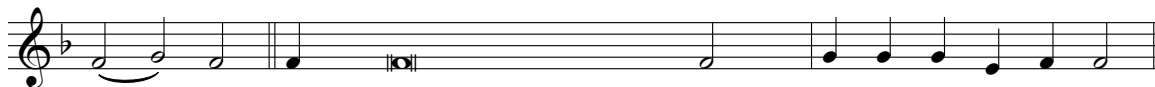
**Deacon:** Wisdom!



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**Priest:** Blessed is Christ our God, the One-Who-Is, always, now and ever and forever.

**Response:**



A - men. O God, strengthen the true faith, for - ev - er and ev - er.

**Priest:** O most holy Theotokos, save us!

**Response:**



Shine in splendor, O new Je - ru - sa - lem; for the glory of the Lord is risen up - on



you. O Zi - on, now dance and be glad; and you, pure Theotokos, rejoice in the



re - sur - rec - tion of your Son.

**Priest:** Glory to you, O Christ God, our hope; glory to you!

**Response:**



Christ is ris - en from the dead! By death he tram - pled death; and to those in the tombs



he grant - ed life. Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.



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A - - - - - men.