

Lord I have cried

Afterfeast of the Nativity of the Theotokos

Tone 1

Kievan

Jo - a - chim joineth with Anna in keep - ing fes - ti - val,

The first system of musical notation for the hymn. It consists of a treble and a bass staff joined by a brace on the left. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The melody is written in the treble staff, and the bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the staves.

having brought forth the first - fruit of our com - mon sal -

The second system of musical notation. It continues the melody and accompaniment from the first system. The lyrics are written below the staves.

va - - - tion, the on - ly The - o - to - kos;

The third system of musical notation. It continues the melody and accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the staves.

and as we to - day keep the feast with them faith - ful - ly, //

The fourth system of musical notation. It concludes the hymn with a double bar line. The lyrics are written below the staves.

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we bless the undefiled Virgin, who hath sprung forth__

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from that root of Jes - se as fore - told.

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The The - o - to - kos, the pure Maid - en

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in whom God was con - tained, the Proph - ets'

boast and glory, and the daughter of Da - vid,

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from Joachim and An - na the pru - dent and chaste

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now is born on this ho - ly day//

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and by her birth overturneth the an - cient curse

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which through Adam came up - on our race.

14

The land that once had been barren bring-eth forth fruit-ful earth;

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a holy fruit is now born from a womb that was fruit - less.

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O mar - - vel great and fear - - ful.

17

With milk is she fed, she the nour - ish - er of our life;/'

18

she that received in her womb the cel - es - tial Bread_

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is now suckled at her moth - - - er's breast.

Glory to the Father...

Tone 8

Obikhod

20

On this our illustrious feast day,

21

let us strike our spi - ri - tual harps;

22

for to - day the Moth - er of Life, who is the renewal

of creation of Adam and the re - call of Eve,

24

the fountain of in - cor - rup - - - - - tion,

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the lib - er - a - tion from cor - rup - tion, through whom

we have been deified and de - liv - ered from death,

27

is born of the seed of David, dis - pers - ing dark - ness.

28

Wherefore, let us be - liev - ers cry to her joy - ful - ly

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with Gabriel, Rejoice, O full of grace! The Lord is with thee, //

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bestowing on us through thee the Great Mer - cy.

Aposticha

Glory...now and ever...

Tone 6

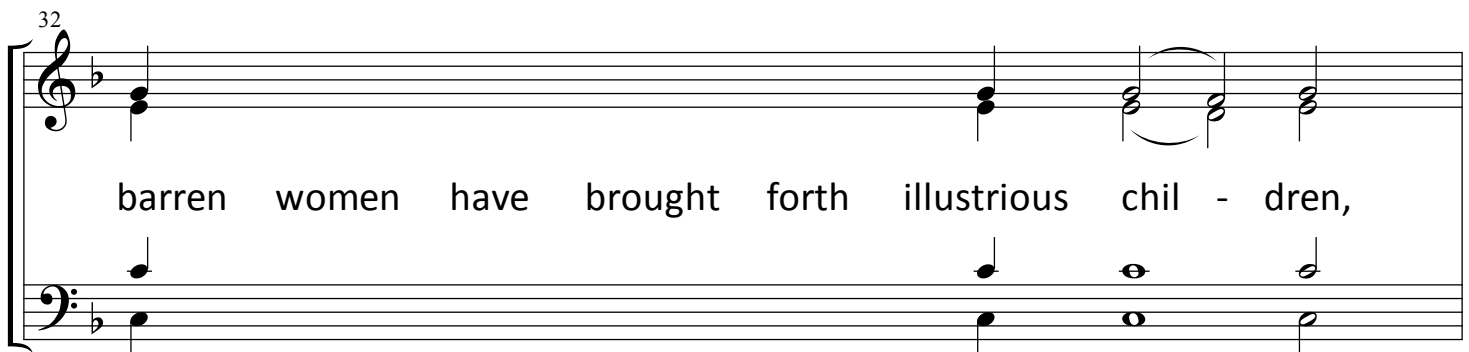
Obikhod

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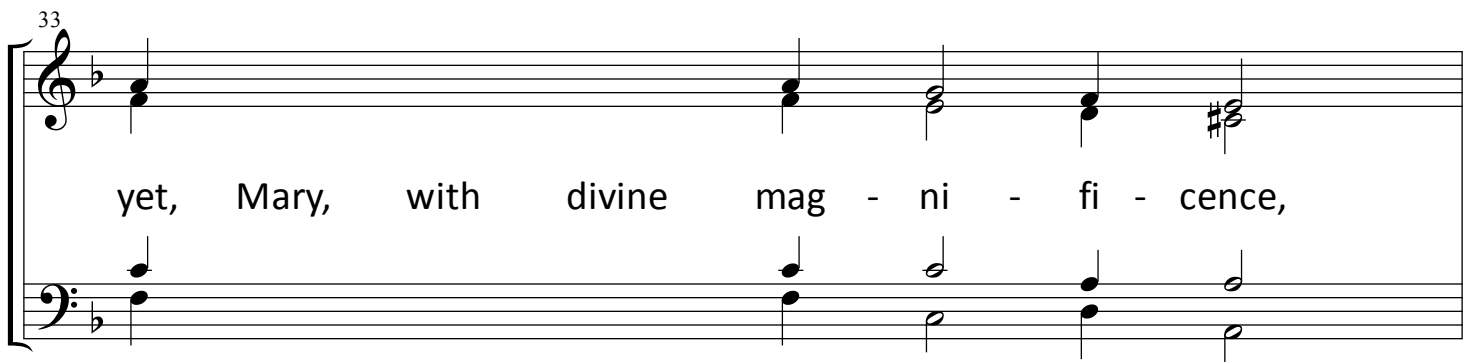
Although by the will of God

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barren women have brought forth illustrious chil - dren,

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yet, Mary, with divine mag - ni - fi - cence,

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hath out - shone all that have been born,

35

for she, who was marvelously born of a childless moth - er,

36

herself past na - ture bare in the flesh

37

the God of all from a seed - less womb.

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She is the only gateway of the Only - Begotten Son of God,

39

Who, passing through this gate, kept it shut;

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and having ordered all things wisely, as He Him - self saw fit, //

41

He hath wrought salvation for all man - kind.