

**Divine Liturgy, March 26, 2006
Fourth Sunday of the Great Fast
Leave-Taking of the Annunciation
Synaxis of the Archangel Gabriel**

Supplement for The Divine Liturgy of Our Holy Father Basil the Great, 2006

25 THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE MOTHER OF GOD AND EVER-VIRGIN MARY
when, in the city of Nazareth, the angel of the Lord announced to Mary, "Behold, you will conceive and bear a son, and he will be called the Son of the Most High." Mary said: "Behold the handmaid of the Lord; let it be to me according to your word." And thus the fullness of time was accomplished, and he who before time was the only-begotten Son of God was made flesh for our sake and for our salvation, by the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became human.

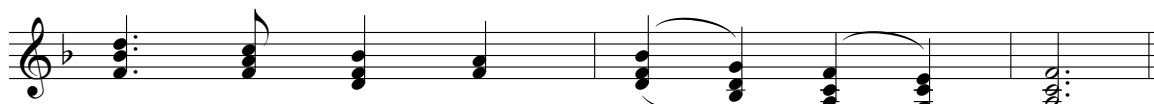
Synaxis of Gabriel the Archangel, who brought the Good News to Mary, the chosen one, and to the priest Zachary, the father of the prophet and forerunner John.



1. With joy we keep the ho - ly Fast And gath - er on the
2. Now is the time ac - cep - ta - ble! To - day, the day our
3. The an - gel Ga - bri - el an - nounced Good news of God be -
4. To God, the bless - ed Three - in - One, Who made and saves and

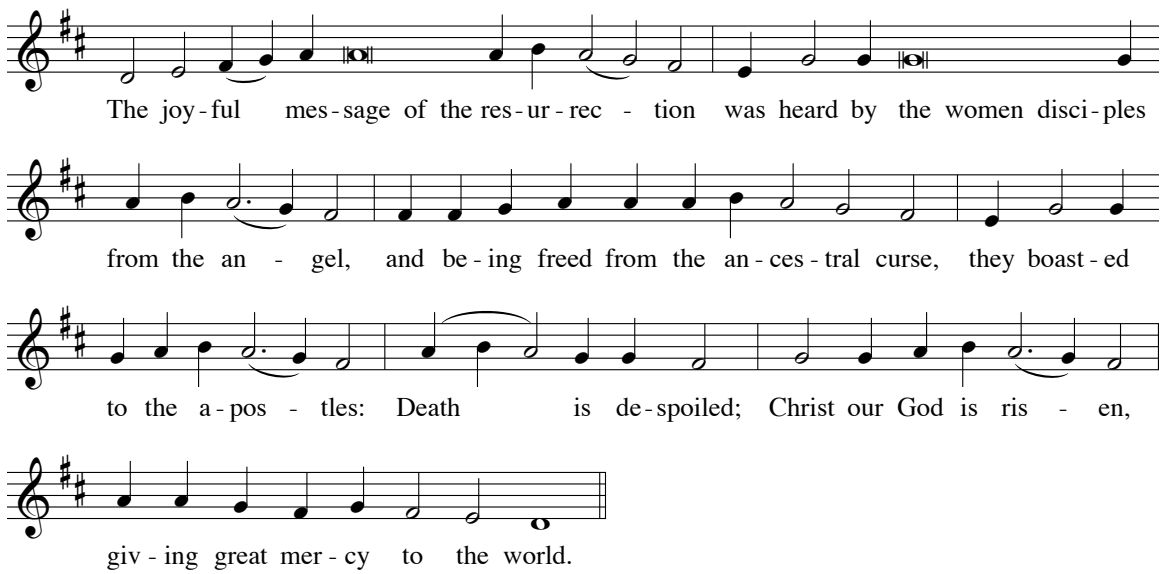


Lord's own Day That through His Word and Sac - ra - ment, We
Sav - ior calls! Let us cast off the weight of sin And
com - ing man; The Vir - gin Mar - y an - swered "yes," Thus
sanc - ti - fies, All praise in heav - en now is sung, While



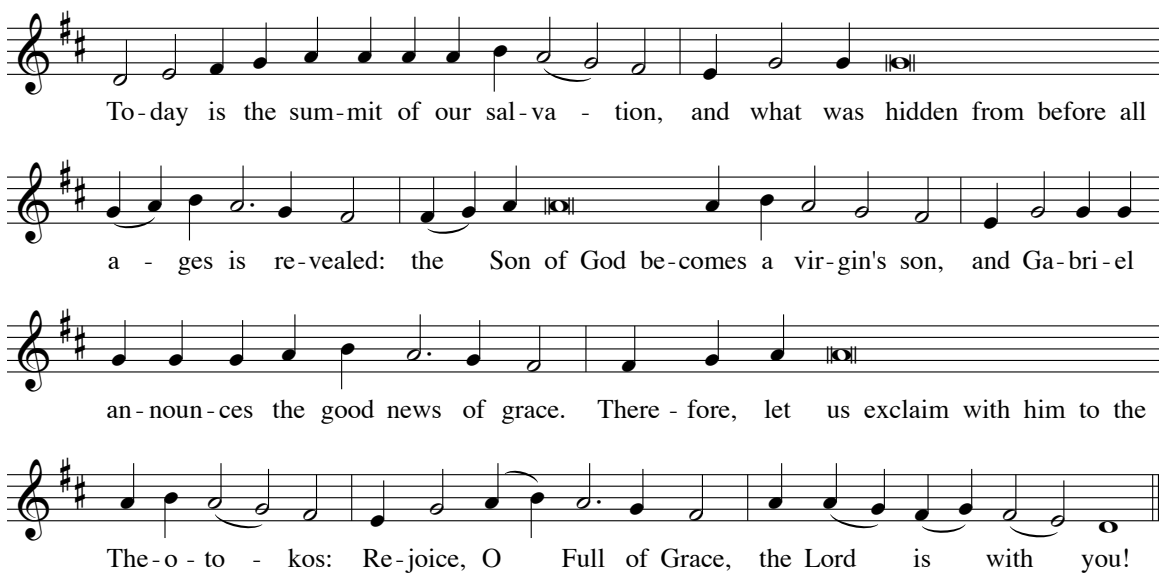
may give thanks to Christ, the Way.
rise a - gain from e - - vil's falls.
fur - ther - ing God's sav - - ing plan.
earth with thanks and love re - - - plies!

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 Annunciation - Tone 4



To-day is the sum-mit of our sal-va - tion, and what was hidden from before all
a - ges is re-vealed: the Son of God be-comes a vir-gin's son, and Ga-bri-el
an-noun-ces the good news of grace. There - fore, let us exclaim with him to the
The-o - to - kos: Re-joyce, O Full of Grace, the Lord is with you!

Troparion of the Archangel - Tone 2



Lead-ers of the heav-en-ly ar - mies, al-though we are unworthy, we al-ways



be-seech you to for-ti-fy us by your pray'rs and to shel-ter us beneath



the wings of your sub-lime glo - ry. Watch over us who bow to you and cry out

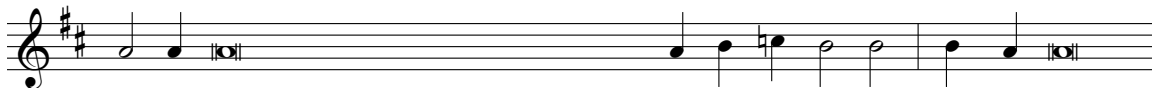


fer-vent-ly: De-liv-er us from dan - ger, for you are the com-mand - ers



of the pow - ers on high.

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 of the Annunciation - Tone 8



O The - o - to - kos, val-iant de-fend - er, your ser-vants offer you hymns of victo-ry



in thanks-giv-ing, for you have de-liv-ered us. But since you have invincible power, free

us from all per - il, that we may exclaim to you: Re-joice, O Un-wed-ded Bride.

Prokeimenon - 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 Annunciation - Tone 4 (Psalm 95:2,1):

Day af - ter day an - nounce the good news of our God's sal - va - tion.

Alleluia - 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.

Immediately after the second verse:

Alleluia of the Annunciation - Tone 1 (Psalm 71:6,17):


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

Al - le - lu - ia!

Verse: He will descend like rain on the meadows, like raindrops on the earth.

Communion Hymn – For Sunday (Psalm 148:1):

A




Praise the Lord, praise the Lord from the heav - ens, praise him

Refrain



in the high-est, praise him in the high-est. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia!

And for the Annunciation:

Communion Hymn (Psalm 131:13):

A



The Lord, the Lord, has cho-sen Zi - on; he pre-fers her for his dwell-ing,

Refrain



he pre-fers her for his dwell-ing. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!