

The Order of Great Compline
as it is served as part of the all-night vigils
on the feast of the Theophany
of our Lord and God and Savior Jesus Christ

Blessed is our God...page 1

Beginning Prayers... page

PART ONE, page 3

Call to Worship

Psalm 4

Psalm 6

Psalm 12; followed by Glory/Now; Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, glory to you, O God. 3x

Psalm 24

Psalm 30

Psalm 90; followed by Glory/Now; Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, glory to you, O God. 3x
God is With Us, page 11

Troparion of Theophany - Tone 1

At your bap - tism in the Jor-dan, O Lord, wor-ship of the
Trin - i - ty was re-vealed; for the Fa - ther's voice bore wit - ness to you, calling
you his be - lov - ed Son, and the Spir - it in the form of a dove
con - firmed the truth of these words. O Christ God, you ap-peared and enlightened the
world. Glo - ry to you!

Our human ears...page 13

Nicene Creed (recited)

O all-holy Lady Theotokos...

Trisagion prayers

The Troparion of the feast is repeated. (see first page of this insert.)

Lord have mercy 40x, page 17

Glory/Now

More honorable than the Cherubim...

In the name of the Lord, give the blessing, Father.

Through the prayers of our holy fathers...

O Lord, Lord, who delivers us...

PART TWO, page 18

Call to worship

Ps. 50

Ps. 101

Prayer of Manasses, King of Judah

followed by Glory/Now; Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, glory to you, O God. 3x

Trisagion prayers

Kontakion of Theophany - Tone 4:



You have re - vealed your - self to the world to - day; and your light, O Lord,



has set its seal on us. We rec - ognize you and ex - claim to you:



You have come and revealed your-self, O Un - ap - proach - a - ble Light.

Lord have mercy 40x, page 24

Glory/Now

More honorable than the Cherubim...

In the name of the Lord, give the blessing, Father.

Through the prayers of our holy fathers...

O God the Master, Father Almighty...

PART THREE, page 25

Call to Worship

Ps. 69

Ps. 142

Lesser Doxology

Hymns of the Litija

Tone 4 Bolhar

①



The One who clothes him-self with light as with a robe deigned, for our sakes, to be-come as we are. To-day he is clothed in the streams of the Jor-dan e-ven though he has no need to be pu-ri-fied. He re-fash-ions us through the cleans-ing he re-ceives. What a mar-vel-ous won-der! He cre-ates a-new with-out fire and re-fash-ions with-out tear-ing a-part; he grants sal-va-tion to those en-light-ened in him, Christ our God, the Sav-ior of our souls.

②

When John the Bap - tist saw you ap - proach, the One who pu - ri - fies the sin
of the world by fire and the Spir - it, he cried out with fear and trem - bling,
say - ing: I am un - wor - thy to place my hand on your im - mac - u - late head.
There - fore, O Master, purify me by your The - oph - a - ny, for you a - lone
love the hu - man race.

③

Let us im - i - tate the wise vir - gins; come, let us go to meet the Mas - ter
who is now pres - ent, for he ap - proach - es John as a Bride - groom.
When the Jor - dan saw him, it bowed down in fear and stopped;
John spoke out say - ing: I am un - wor - thy to touch your

im - - mor-tal head. The Spir - it de-scend-ed in the form of a dove

and sanc-ti-fied the wa-ters. and a voice was heard from on high:

This is my Son who comes in - to the world to save all. O Lord,

glo - ry to you!

④

To-day Christ is bap - tized; he e-merg-es from the wa-ters and

up-lifts the world with him. He be - holds the o-pen-ing of the heav-ens

which Ad-am had closed for him-self and his de - scend - ants. The Spir-it

tes-ti-fies to his di-vine na-ture, for he is in ac-cord with his own.

A voice is heard from the heav - ens, giv - ing wit - ness to the



One who has de-scend - ed; for he is the Sav - ior of our souls.



Up - on touch - ing your im - mac - u - late head, the hand of the Bap - tist



trem - bled. The streams of the Jor - dan turned back, feel - ing un - wor - thy



to serve you. How could the one who stood in awe



of Josh - u - a the son of Nun, be un - a - fraid to stand



be - fore the Cre - a - tor of Josh - u - a? You have com - plet - ed all that was



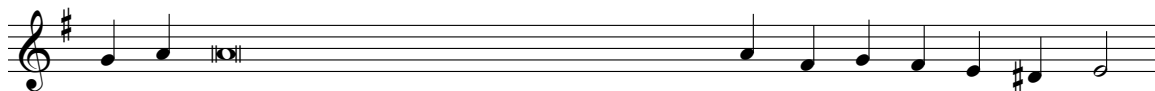
as - signed to you, O Sav - ior, so that you might redeem the world by



your The - oph - a - ny, for you a - lone love the hu - man race.

Cantor: (Tone 8 samohlasen) Glory...

Doxastikon - Tone 8 samohlasen



De - sir - ing to fulfill all that was ordained for you from e - ter - ni - ty, O Lord,



you re - ceived ministers from all creation at this mys - t'ry of yours: Ga - bri - el



from a - mong the an - gels, the Vir - gin from a - mong the hu - man race,



the star from a - mong the heav - ens, and the Jor - dan from among the wa - ters;



and in it you have cleansed the sins of the world. O our Sav - ior,



glo - ry to you!

Cantor: Now and ever...



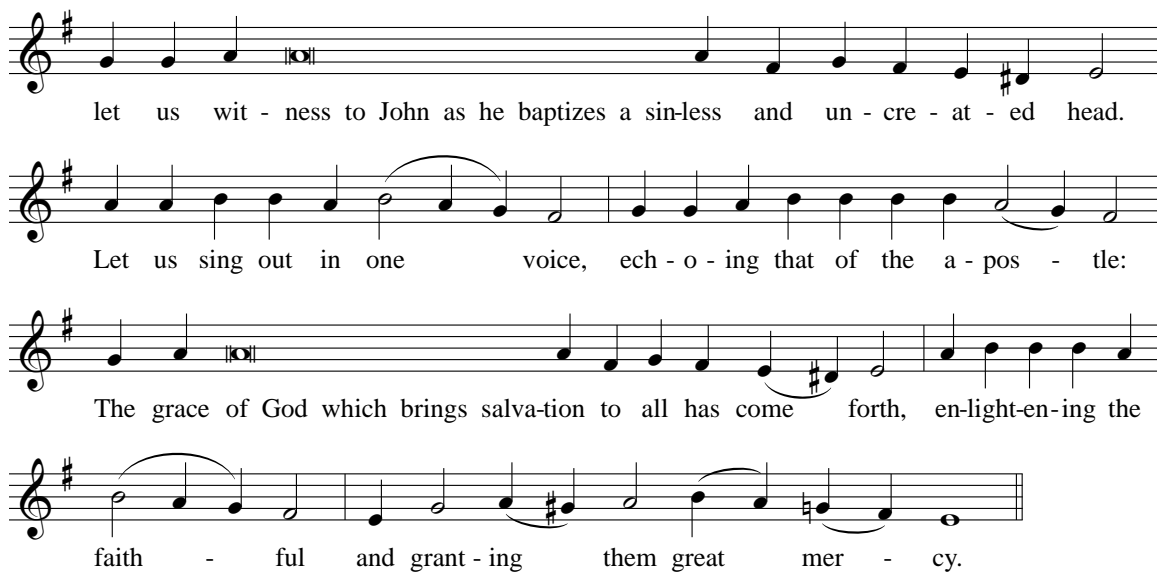
To - day all cre - a - tion is en - light - ened. To - day all na - ture re - joic - es,



those in heav - en and those up - on the earth. An - gels and peo - ple join to geth - er



in the pres - ence of the King and his ar - my. Let us has - ten to the Jor - dan;



let us wit - ness to John as he baptizes a sin-less and un - cre - at - ed head.

Let us sing out in one voice, ech - o - ing that of the a - pos - tle:

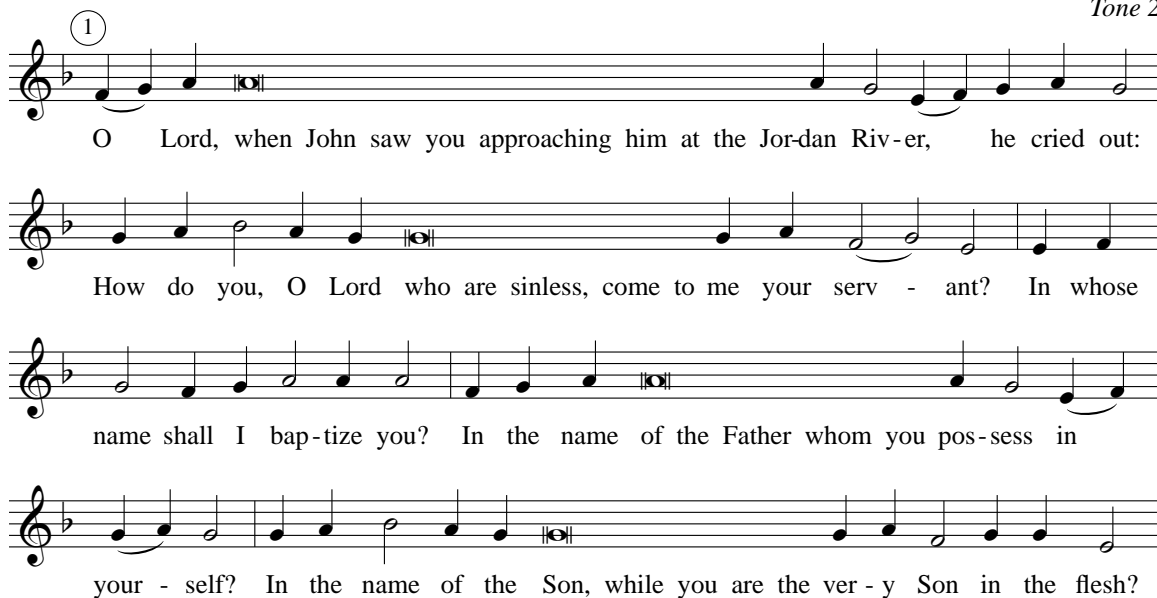
The grace of God which brings salva-tion to all has come forth, en-light-en-ing the

faith - ful and grant - ing them great mer - cy.

Litany of the Litija, page 29

Aposticha

Tone 2



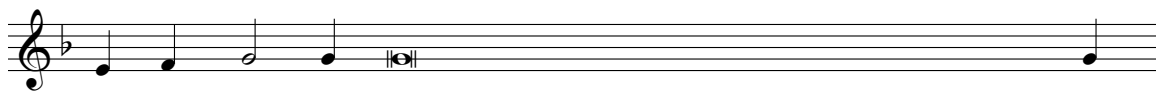
①

O Lord, when John saw you approaching him at the Jor-dan Riv-er, he cried out:

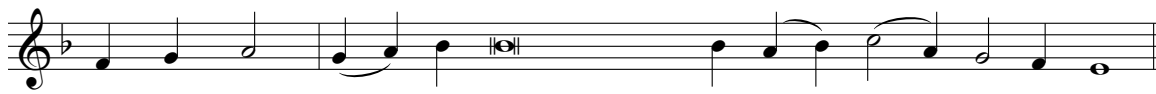
How do you, O Lord who are sinless, come to me your serv - ant? In whose

name shall I bap-tize you? In the name of the Father whom you pos-sess in

your - self? In the name of the Son, while you are the ver - y Son in the flesh?



In the name of the Holy Spirit whom you grant to the faithful with the breath



of your mouth? O God who has appeared to us, glo - ry to you!

Cantor



The sea fled at the sight; the Jor - dan turned back on its course.



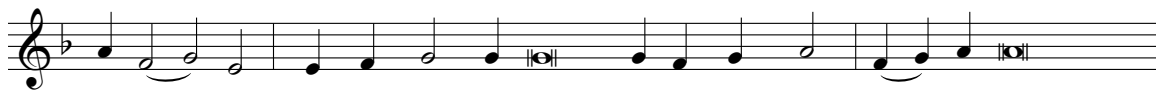
The wa - ters have seen you, O Lord. When the wa - ters saw you, they



trem - bled, for the ver - y Cher - u - bim do not dare to look up - on your glo - ry,



nor can the Ser - a - phim rest their eyes up - on you. They stand in awe



be - fore you, some on guard, oth - ers glori - fy - ing your might. To - geth - er with them



we proclaim your praise, O Mer - ci - ful One, and say: O God who has appeared



to us, have mer - cy on us.

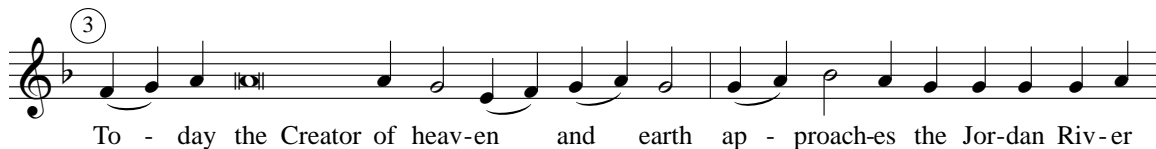
Cantor



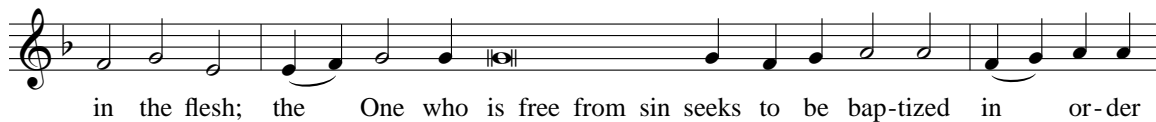
Why was it, O sea, that you fled, that you turned back, O Jor-dan,



on your course?



③ To - day the Creator of heav-en and earth ap - proach-es the Jor-dan Riv-er



in the flesh; the One who is free from sin seeks to be bap-tized in or-der



to cleanse the human race from the er - ror of the en - e - my; the Mas-ter



of all is baptized at the hand of the serv - ant in or - der to grant us the



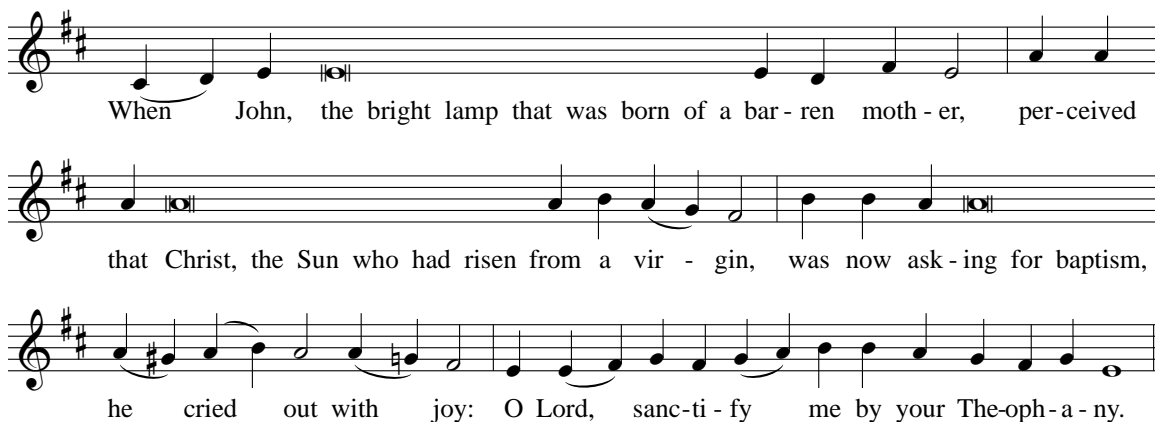
cleans - ing through wa - ter. There - fore, let us cry out to him: O



God who has ap-peared to us, glo - ry to you!

Cantor: (Tone 6) Glory...now and ever...

Doxastikon - Tone 6



When John, the bright lamp that was born of a bar-ren moth-er, per-ceived
that Christ, the Sun who had risen from a vir-gin, was now ask-ing for baptism,
he cried out with joy: O Lord, sanc-ti-fy me by your The-oph-a-ny.

Prayer of the Holy Prophet Simeon, page 32
Trisagion Prayers

The Troparion of the Feast is sung here; see page 1 of this insert.
Glory...
The Troparion of the Feast is repeated.
Now and ever...
The Troparion of the Feast is repeated.

Blessing of Bread, page 34
Blessed be the Name of the Lord
Dismissal of Theophany