

The Indiction, or Beginning of the Church Year

SEPTEMBER 1



1. In wis - dom you have fash - ioned all things,
2. O Lord, the Mak - er of the cos - mos,
3. In faith your peo - ple bow be - fore you,



O Fa - ther's Word be - fore there was time;
Sea - sons and times are in your hand;
For with com - pas - sion you are re - plete!



Cre - a - tion's or - der you have es - tab - lished,
Pre - serve our coun - try in Your good - ness,
Crown this new year with good - ness and mer - cy!



Source of all things, and God sub - lime:
Keep us in peace by Your strong hand.
We come be - fore your mer - cy - seat.



O Christ, now bless the year's be - gin - ning,



For you are good, the Lov - er of us all.

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Melody: *Kol' slaven naš / So great is God* (Dmitri Bortniansky, 1751-1825)