

February 2nd

# The Presentation (Meeting) of Our Lord in the Temple

## Stichera on the Praises

Byzantine Chant Mode 4  
Special Melody: *Unto them that fear thee*

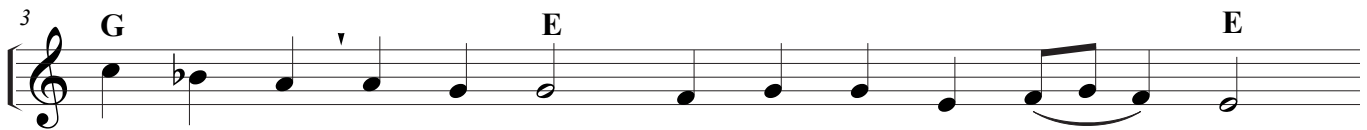
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1) Wish-ing to ful - fill the writ - ten Law, the Sav - ior and  
2) *As a light of rev - e - la - tion for the na - tions hast*  
3) Leav - ing not the Fa - ther's bos - om in Thy sov - 'reign Di -



Friend of man is brought in - to the Tem - ple's courts; and  
*Thou ap - peared, O Di - vine Sun of Right - eous - ness; for*  
- vin - i - ty, Thou wast made flesh in Thy good will; and



in - to his ag - ed arms Sim - e - on thē Eld - er  
*Thou hast shined forth, O Lord, seat - ed on a swift cloud,*  
Thou wast held in thē arms of thē Ev - er - vir - gin



tak - eth Him and cri - eth: Now dost thou grant me to de - part  
*per - fect - ly ful - fill - ing the shad - ow of thē an - cient Law,*  
and placed in the hands of the God - re - ceiv - er, Sim - e - on,



un - to the bless - ed - ness that is found be - yond; for  
*bring - ing to light the be - gin - ning of new Grace; and*  
Thou Who dost hold all cre - a - tion in Thy hand. In

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on this day have I be - held Thee wrapped a - bout with our  
when he had be - held Thee, Sim - e - on thē Eld - er cried  
joy, there - fore, he cried: Now let - test Thou Thy ser - vant de -

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mor - tal flesh, Who dost rule as the Lord of life  
out to Thee: From corrup - tion let me de - part,  
-part in peace. For, O Mas - ter, in ver - y truth,

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and has sov - 'reign - ty o - ver death.  
for to - day \_\_\_\_\_ I have seen Thee, Lord.  
I have seen \_\_\_\_\_ Thee, the Lord of all.