

July 2nd

# The Placing of the Theotokos' Robe at Blachernae

## Stichera at the Praises

Byzantine Mode 4  
Special Melody: *As one valiant*

Adapted by Dn. John El Massih



1) For thy ser - vants, the hal - lowed shrine that con - tain - eth thy  
2) *Lo, the place pass - ing glo - ri - ous, lo, that house ev - er*  
3) We all keep as a fes - ti - val the di - vine dep - o -



spot - less robe dai - ly is made known\_ as an  
*full of light, where - in grace hath treas - ured the*  
- si - tion of thine all - sa - cred rai - ment, where -



ark of ho - li - ness, a sa - cred for - tress a -  
*pure and hon - ored robe of the most pure Child of*  
- on we are made glad. For on this day, thou hast



- round us\_ and our glo - ry, our joy, and boast,  
*God. Free - ly ap - proach, O ye sons of men,*  
deigned to\_ give it un - to thy cho - sen flock

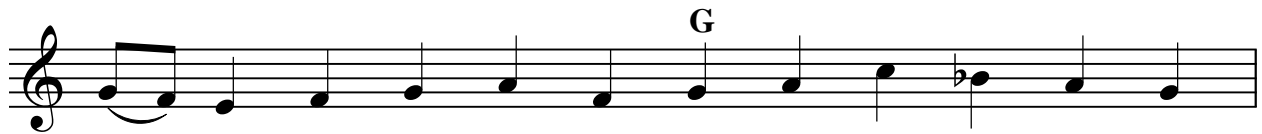
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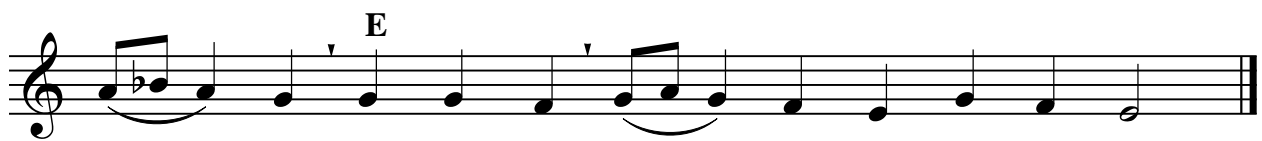
and a spring of end - less cures, O all - pure\_\_\_ Moth - er  
*draw forth from it on this day* par - don, grace\_\_\_ and en -  
 as a sa - cred cov - er - ing, as a safe - guard in -



of our God. Where-at, on this day, we have sa - cred - ly  
*-light - en - ment, and cry out to her* with a heart\_\_\_ full of  
 -vin - ci - ble, as a pre - cious gift, a se - cure\_\_\_ wealth of



gath - ered here to praise in hymns thy might - y deeds un -  
*grat - i - tude: We bless thee, O su - preme - ly ho - ly*  
 heal - ings, a great riv - er of the Ho - ly Spir - it's



-num - bered and the great sea\_\_\_ of thy mir - a - cles.  
*Vir - gin, we whom thy child - birth hath tru - ly saved.*  
 grac - es, O Sov - 'reign La - dy and Bride of God.