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All Communion Hymns, except for No. 12, are basically the same melody. For each Hymn, the Refrain is sung first and repeated after the chanting of each verse. The Alleluia is sung after the final singing of the Refrain. No Alleluia is sung after No. 12.

DAY OR FEAST

FIRST LINE

Sung after the last verse & Refrain of each Hymn (except No. 12 for Holy Thursday)

Alleluia

1. Holy Saturday

2. Beginning of the Ecclesiastical Year

3. Palm Sunday

4. Saturdays for the Departed;

Second Saturday before Great Lent, before

Last Judgment Sunday;

Second Saturday of Great Lent-for the departed;

Third Saturday of Great Lent-for the departed;

Fourth Saturday of Great Lent-for the departed; Saturday before Pentecost-Saturday of All Souls

5. Ascension

6. Fridays

7. Mondays;

Nov. 8-Feast of the Archangels

8. Wednesdays

Sept. 8-Nativity of the Theotokos;

Nov. 21-Entrance of the Theotokos;

Feb. 2-Meeting of the Lord;

Fifth Saturday of Great Lent;

Aug. 15-Dormition of the Theotokos

9. Aug. 6-Feast of the Transfiguration

10. Consecration of a new church

11. Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts

Holy Monday-Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts;

Holy Tuesday-Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts;

Holy Wednesday- Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts

12. Holy Thursday

13. Saturday before Palm Sunday (Lazarus Saturday)

14. Ordinary Sundays

Circumcision of Our Lord;

Cheesefare Sunday (Sunday of Forgiveness);

First Sunday of Great Lent;

Second Sunday of Great Lent;

Fourth Sunday of Great Lent;

Fifth Sunday of Great Lent;

Saturday of Thomas Week;

Sunday after Ascension (Sunday of the Holy Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council)

15. First Sunday after Pascha (St. Thomas Sunday)

16. Pascha

Second Sunday after Pascha (Myrrhbearing Women);

Third Saturday after Pascha (Myrrhbearing Women);

Third Sunday after Pascha (Paralytic);

Fourth Sunday after Pascha (Samaritan Woman);

Fifth Sunday after Pascha (Blind Man)

And the Lord was awakened

Bless the crown

Blessed is He who cometh

Blessed is he whom Thou hast chosen

God is gone up in jubilation God is our King before the ages He maketh His angels spirits

I will take the cup of salvation

O Lord, in the light of Thy face

O Lord, I have loved the beauty of Thy house

O taste and see that the Lord is good

Receive me today, O Son of God

Out of the mouths of infants and sucklings

Praise the Lord from the heavens

Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem Receive ye the body of Christ

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17. Saturday-Weekday Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous Second Sunday before the Nativity of our Lord (Holy Forefathers): Sunday before the Nativity of our Lord (Holy Fathers/Genealogy); (NOTE: In some traditions, the Communion Hymn "Praise the Lord" (#14) is prescribed on the Second Sunday before the Nativity, and the Sunday before the Nativity.) First Sunday of Great Lent (for the Ecumenical Council); Second Saturday of Great Lent; Third Saturday of Great Lent; All Saints Sunday; Martyrs; Holy Unmercenaries 18. Tuesday-Weekday The just shall be in everlasting remembrance Oct. 11-17 (Holy Fathers of the 7th Ecumenical Council); Jan. 7-Synaxis of St. John the Baptist; Aug. 29-Beheading of St. John the Baptist; First Saturday of Great Lent; Second Sunday of Great Lent (St. Gregory Palamas); Fourth Sunday of Great Lent (St. John of the Ladder); Fifth Sunday of Great Lent (St. Mary of Egypt); Sunday after the Ascension (Holy Fathers of the 1st Ecumenical Council); A Saint: A Prophet; A Hierarch; Fools for Christ; A Martyr; A Priest-Martyr 19. Sept. 14-Elevation of the Cross The light of Thy countenance, O Lord Aug. 1-Procession of the Cross; Third Sunday of Great Lent (Sunday of the Cross); Commemoration of a Great Tragedy 20. Mar. 25-Annunciation For the Lord hath elected Sion

21. Dec. 25-Nativity of Our Lord The Lord hath sent redemption

Dec. 26-Synaxis of the Theotokos; Sunday after the Nativity of our Lord: Leave-taking of the Nativity of our Lord

22. Wednesday of Mid-Pentecost The Lord saith: He that eateth my flesh 23. Jan. 6-Theophany The grace of God that bringeth salvation

Leave-taking of Theophany; Sunday after Theophany

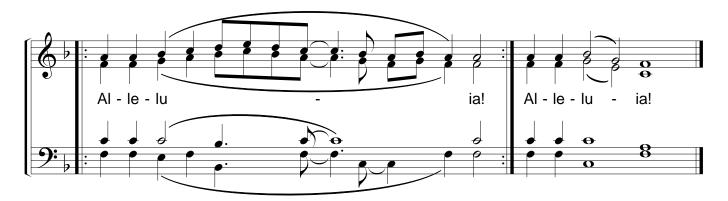
24. Thursday-Weekday Their sound hath gone forth into all the earth Holy Apostle(s)

25. Pentecost Thy good Spirit shall lead me

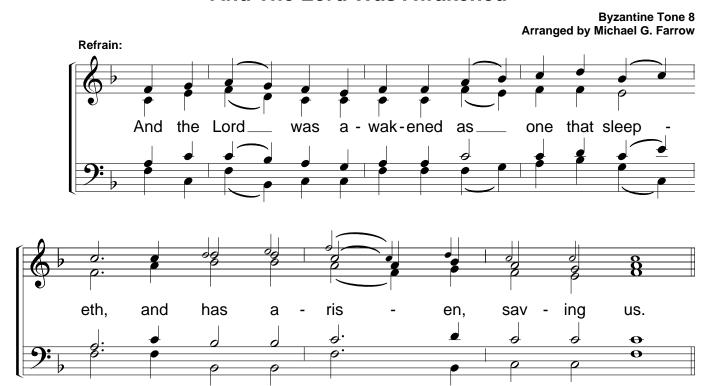
Alleluia A



Alleluia B



And The Lord Was Awakened



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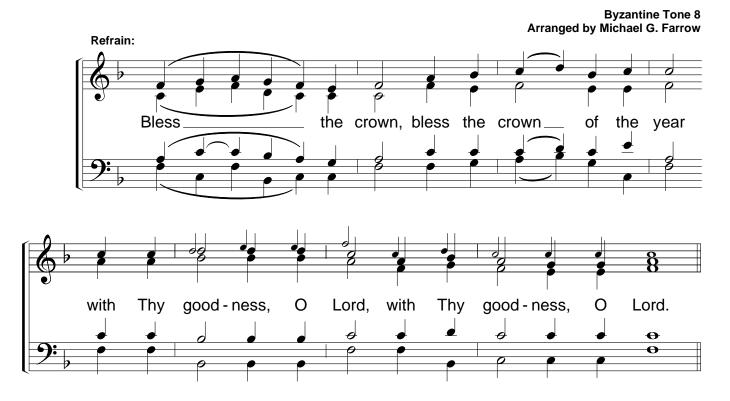
- (1) He smote His enemies upon their backs, reproach everlasting He gave to them. (Psalm 77:71)
- (2) He rejected the dwelling of Joseph, and He chose not the tribe of Ephraim. (Psalm 77:72)
- (3) He chose the tribe of Judah, Mount Sion which He loved. (Psalm 77:73)

(Translation taken from "The Psalter According to the Seventy," Holy Transfiguration Monastery, Boston, MA, 1987)

USAGE: Holy Saturday

Psalm 64:12

Bless the Crown of the Year



Verses:

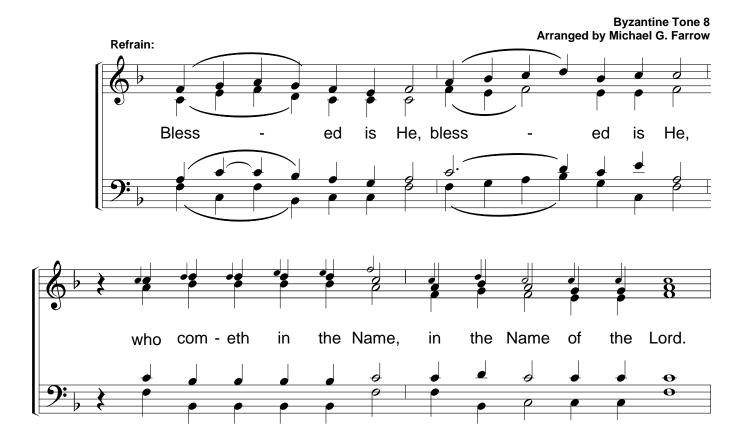
- (1) Enriched shall be the mountains of the wilderness, and the hills shall be girded with rejoicing. (Psalm 64:13)
- (2) The rams of the flock have clothed themselves with fleece, and the valleys shall abound with wheat. (Psalm 64:14)
- (3) They shall cry aloud, yea, they shall chant hymns unto Thee. (Psalm 64:14)

(Translation taken from "The Psalter According to the Seventy," Holy Transfiguration Monastery, Boston, MA, 1987)

USAGE: Sept 1 – Beginning of the Ecclesiastical Year

Psalm 117:25

Blessed Is He Who Cometh



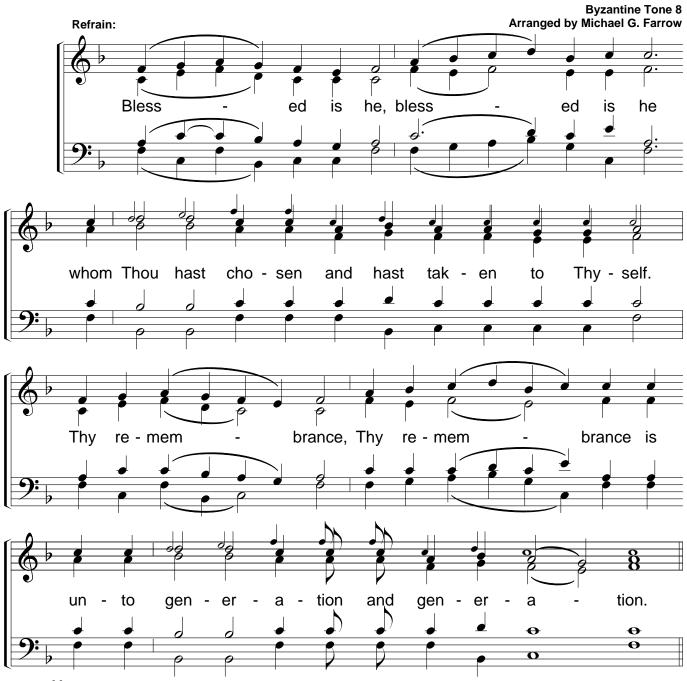
Verses:

- (1) We have blessed you out of the house of the Lord.
 God is the Lord and hath appeared unto us. (Psalm 117:26)
- (2) Ordain a feast with thick boughs, even unto the horns of the altar. (Psalm 117:27)
- (3) Thou art my God and I will confess Thee; Thou art my God and I will exalt Thee. (Psalm 117:28)
- (4) I will give thanks unto Thee, for Thou hast heard me, and Thou art become my salvation. (Psalm 117:29)
- (5) O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good, for His mercy endureth forever. (Psalm 117:30)

(Translation taken from "The Psalter According to the Seventy," Holy Transfiguration Monastery, Boston, MA, 1987)

USAGE: Palm Sunday

Blessed Is He Whom Thou Hast Chosen



- Verses:
- (1) He shall dwell in Thy courts. (Psalm 64:4)
- (2) We shall be filled with the good things of Thy house; holy is Thy temple, wonderful in righteousness. (Psalm 64:5)
- (3) Hearken unto us, O God our Saviour, Thou hope of all the ends of the earth and of them that be far off at sea. (Psalm 64:6)

(Translation taken from "The Psalter According to the Seventy," Holy Transfiguration Monastery, Boston, MA, 1987)

USAGE: Saturdays for the Departed; Second Saturday before Great Lent, before Last Judgment Sunday; Second Saturday of Great Lent–for the Departed; Third Saturday of Great Lent–for the Departed; Fourth Saturday of Great Lent–for the Departed; Saturday before Pentecost–Saturday of All Souls

God Is Gone Up In Jubilation

Psalm 46:5





Verses:

- (1) O chant unto our God, chant ye; chant unto our King, chant ye. (Psalm 46:6)
- (2) For God is king of all the earth, O chant ye with understanding. (Psalm 46:7)
- (3) God is king over the nations, God sitteth upon His holy throne. (Psalm 46:8)

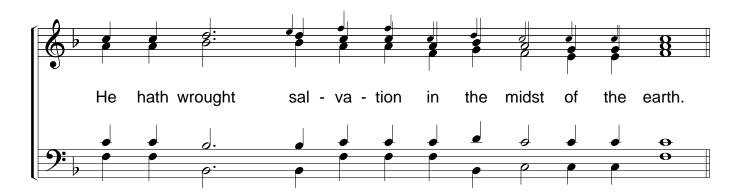
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USAGE: Ascension

God Is Our King Before The Ages

Psalm 73:13





Verses:

- (1) Thou didst establish the sea by Thy might. (Psalm 73:14)
- (2) Thou didst break the heads of the dragons in the water. (Psalm 7314)
- (3) Thou didst crush the head of the dragon. Thou gavest him as food to the Ethiopian people. (Psalm 73:15)

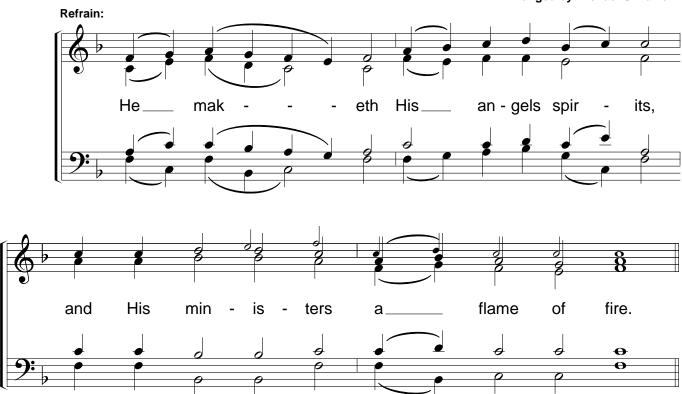
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USAGE: Fridays

Psalm 103:5

He Maketh His Angels Spirits

Byzantine Tone 8 Arranged by Michael G. Farrow



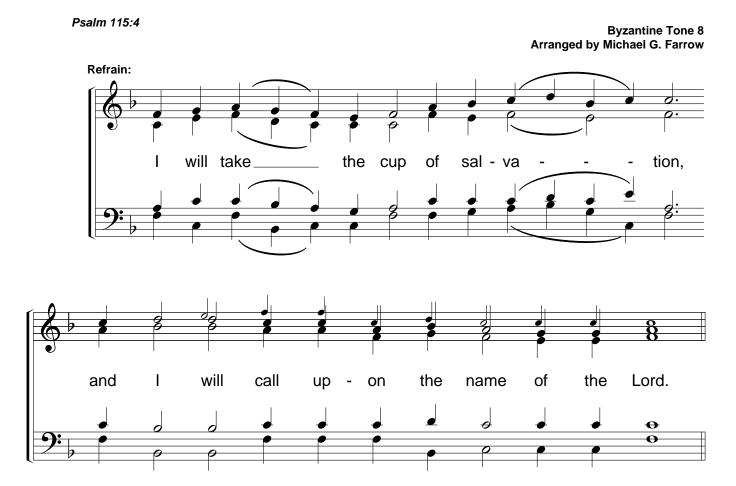
Verses:

- (1) Who establisheth the earth in the sureness thereof; it shall not be turned back for ever and ever. (Psalm 103:6)
- (2) The abyss like a garment is His mantle; upon the mountains shall the waters stand. (Psalm 103:7)
- (3) At Thy rebuke they will flee, at the voice of Thy thunder shall they be afraid. (Psalm 103:8)

(Translation taken from "The Psalter According to the Seventy," Holy Transfiguration Monastery, Boston, MA, 1987)

USAGE: Mondays, Nov. 8-Feast of the Archangels

I Will Take The Cup of Salvation



Verses:

- (1) My vows unto the Lord will I pay in the presence of all His people. (Psalm 115:5)
- (2) Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints. (Psalm 115:6)
- (3) O Lord, I am Thy servant; I am Thy servant and the son of Thy handmaid. Thou hast broken my bonds asunder. (Psalm 115:7)

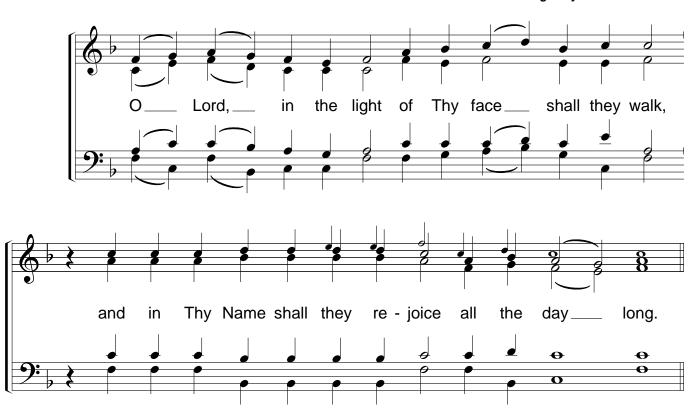
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USAGE: Wednesdays; Sept. 8-Nativity of the Theotokos; Nov. 21-Entrance of the Theotokos; Feb. 2-Meeting of the Lord; Fifth Saturday of Great Lent; Aug. 15-Dormition of the Theotokos

O Lord, In The Light of Thy Face

Psalm 88:15





Verses:

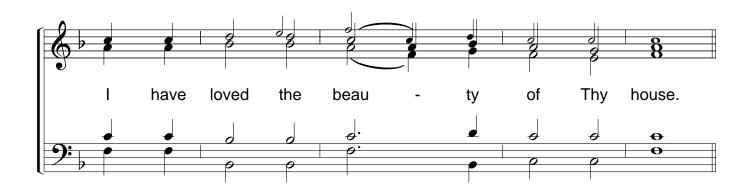
- (1) In Thy righteousness shall they be exalted. (Psalm 88:15)
- (2) For the boast of their strength art Thou, and in Thy good pleasure shall our horn be lifted high. (Psalm 88:16)
- (3) For from the Lord is our defense, yea, from the Holy One of Israel, our King. (Psalm 88:17)

(Translation taken from "The Psalter According to the Seventy," Holy Transfiguration Monastery, Boston, MA, 1987)

USAGE: Aug. 6-Feast of the Transfiguration

O Lord, I Have Loved The Beauty of Thy House





Verses:

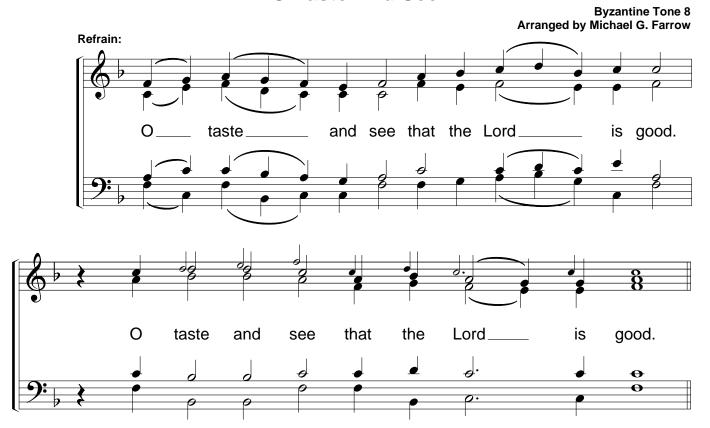
- (1) [I have loved] the place where Thy glory dwelleth. (Psalm 25:7b)
- (2) I will wash my hands in innocence and I will compass Thine altar. (Psalm 25:6)
- (3) O Lord, that I may hear the voice of Thy praise. (Psalm 25:6)

(Translation taken from "The Psalter According to the Seventy," Holy Transfiguration Monastery, Boston, MA, 1987)

USAGE: Consecration of a new church

Psalm 33:8

O Taste And See



Verses:

- (1) Blessed is the man that hopeth in Him. (Psalm 33:8)
- (2) O fear the Lord, all ye His saints, for there is no want to them that fear Him. (*Psalm 33:9*)
- (3) Rich men have turned poor and gone hungry; but they that seek the Lord shall not be deprived of any good thing. (Psalm 33:10)

(Translation taken from "The Psalter According to the Seventy," Holy Transfiguration Monastery, Boston, MA, 1987)

USAGE: Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts; Holy Monday, Holy Tuesday, & Holy Wednesday-Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts

Receive Me Today



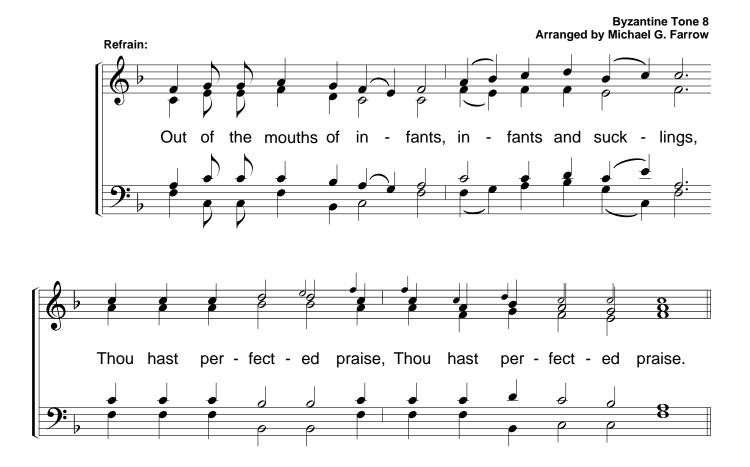


USAGE: Holy Thursday

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Out Of The Mouths Of Infants & Sucklings

Psalm 8:2



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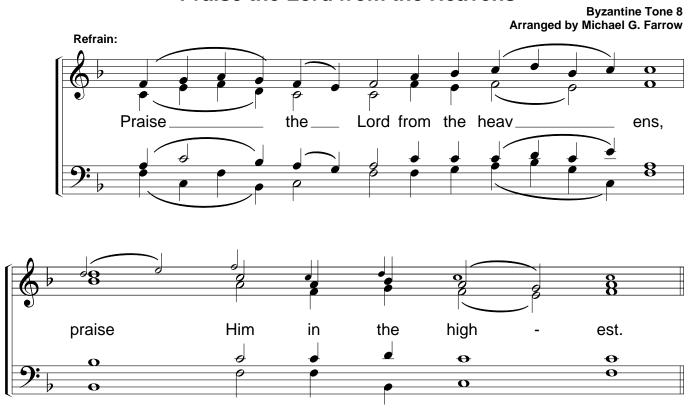
- (1) For I will behold the heavens, the works of Thy fingers, the moon and the stars, which Thou hast founded. (Psalm 8:3)
- (2) What is man, that Thou art mindful of him? Or the son of man, that Thou visitest him? (Psalm 8:4)
- (3) Thou hast made him a little lower than the angels; with glory and honor hast Thou crowned him, and Thou hast set him over the works of Thy hands. (Psalm 8:5)

(Translation taken from "The Psalter According to the Seventy," Holy Transfiguration Monastery, Boston, MA, 1987)

USAGE: Saturday before Palm Sunday (Lazarus Saturday)

Psalm 148:1

Praise the Lord from the Heavens



Verses:

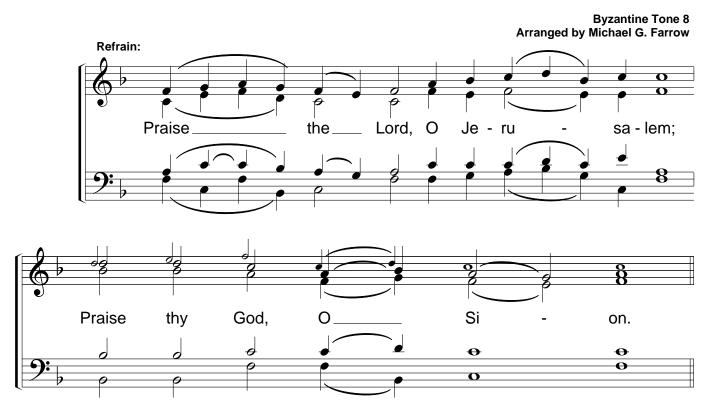
- (1) Praise Him, all ye His angels; praise Him, all ye His hosts. (Psalm 148:2)
- (2) Praise Him, O sun and moon; praise Him, all ye stars and light. (Psalm 148:3)
- (3) Praise Him, ye heavens of heavens, and thou water that art above the heavens. (Psalm 148:4)

(Translation taken from "The Psalter According to the Seventy," Holy Transfiguration Monastery, Boston, MA, 1987)

USAGE: Ordinary Sundays; Circumcision of our Lord; Cheesefare Sunday (Sunday of Forgiveness); First Sunday of Great Lent; Second Sunday of Great Lent; Fourth Sunday of Great Lent; Fifth Sunday of Great Lent; Saturday of Thomas Week; Sunday after Ascension (Sunday of the Holy Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council)

Psalm 147:1

Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem



Verses:

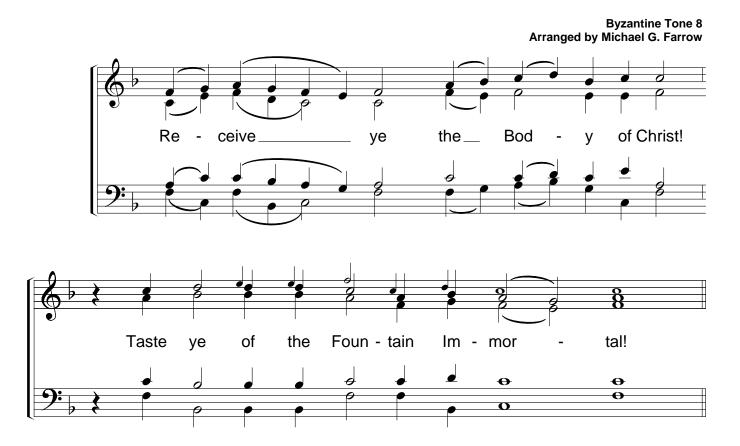
- (1) For he hath strengthened the bars of thy gates, He hath blessed thy sons within thee. (*Psalm 147:2*)
- (2) He bringeth peace upon thy borders, and with the fatness of the wheat He filleth thee. (Psalm 147:3)
- (3) He sendeth His saying unto the earth. (Psalm 147:4)

(Translation taken from "The Psalter According to the Seventy," Holy Transfiguration Monastery, Boston, MA, 1987)

USAGE: First Sunday after Pascha (St. Thomas Sunday)

Receive Ye The Body of Christ

Based on John 4:14 and John 7:37-38



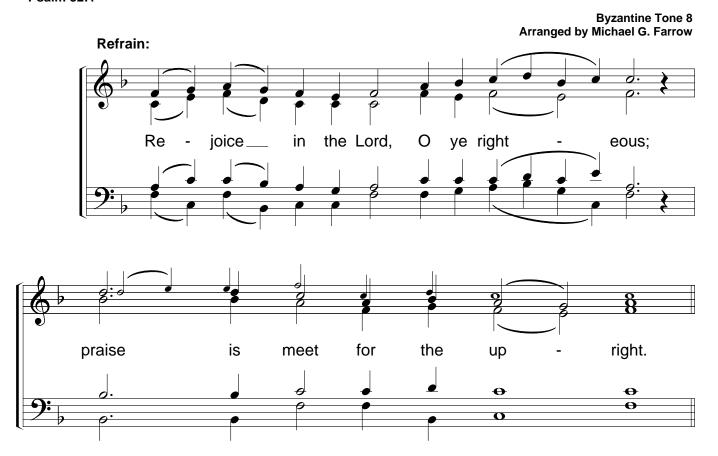
Verses:

- (1) Great is the mystery of Thy Resurrection, O Christ! (from the Pentecostarion)
- (2) From the supper the Immortal One willingly comes to the passion. (Sticheron Idiomelon for Holy Monday)
- (3) Then was Hades, who accounted and demanded of souls, embittered at the encounter. (Catechetical Sermon on the Resurrection of St. John Chrysostom)
- (4) Then was Mary, who annointed and worshipped God before the tomb, made glad. (Based on John 14-18, 20)
- (5) Tell Peter and the other apostles that the Immortal One hath risen from the dead. (Based on Mark 16:7)

USAGE: Pascha; Second Sunday after Pascha (Myrrhbearing Women); Third Saturday after Pascha (Myrrhbearing Women); Third Sunday after Pascha (Paralytic); Fourth Sunday after Pascha (Samaritan Woman); Fifth Sunday after Pascha (Blind Man)

Rejoice In The Lord, O Ye Righteous

Psalm 32:1



Verses:

- (1) Give praise to the Lord with the harp, chant unto him with the ten-stringed psaltery. (Psalm 32:2)
- (2) Sing unto Him a new song, chant well unto Him with jubilation. (Psalm 32:3)
- (3) For the word of the Lord is true, and all His works are in faithfulness. (Psalm 32:4)

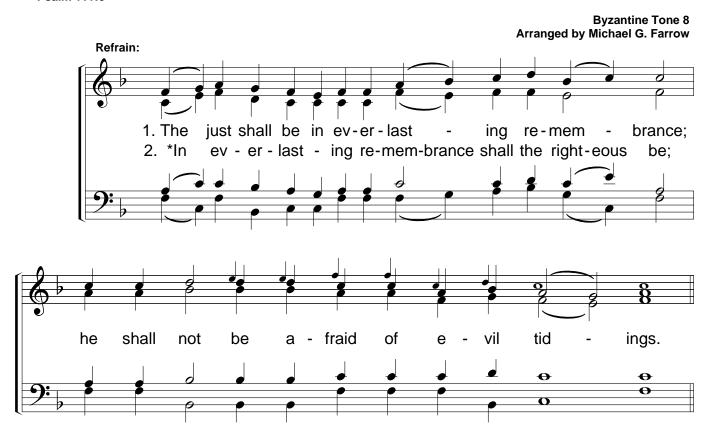
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USAGE: Saturday-Weekday; Second Sunday before the Nativity of our Lord (Holy Forefathers); Sunday before the Nativity of our Lord (Holy Fathers/Genealogy); First Sunday of Great Lent (for the Ecumenical Council); Second Saturday of Great Lent; Third Saturday of Great Lent; All Saints Sunday; Martyrs; Holy Unmercenaries

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The Just Shall Be

Psalm 111:6



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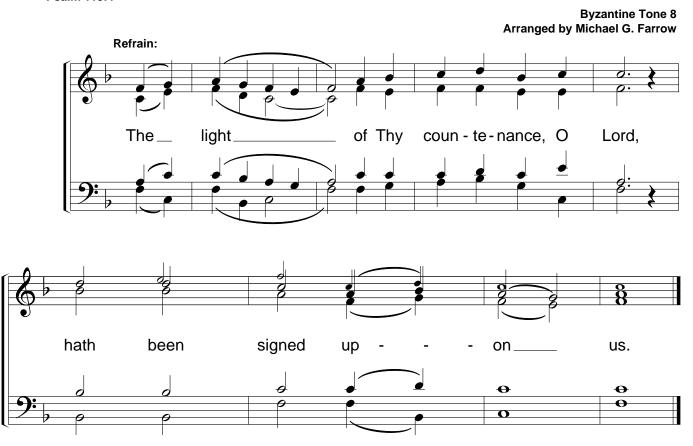
- (1) His heart is ready to hope in the Lord; his heart is established, he shall not be afraid, until he look down upon his enemies. (Psalm 111:7)
- (2) He hath dispersed, he hath given to the poor, his righteousness abideth unto ages of ages; his horn shall be exalted with glory. (Psalm 111:8)
- (3) The sinner shall see and be angered, he shall gnash with his teeth and melt away; the desire of the sinner shall perish. (Psalm 111:9)

(* This translation is taken from "The Psalter According to the Seventy," Holy Transfiguration Monastery, Boston, MA, 1987)

USAGE: Tuesday-Weekday; October 11-17-Holy Fathers of the Seventh Ecumenical Council; January 7-Synaxis of St. John the Baptist; August 29-Beheading of St. John the Baptist; First Saturday of Great Lent; Second Sunday of Great Lent (St. Gregory Palamas); Fourth Sunday of Great Lent (St. John of the Ladder); Fifth Sunday of Great Lent (St. Mary of Egypt); Sunday after the Ascension (Holy Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council); a Saint; a Prophet; a Hierarch; Fools for Christ; a Martyr; a Priest-Martyr

The Light Of Thy Countenance

Psalm 115:4



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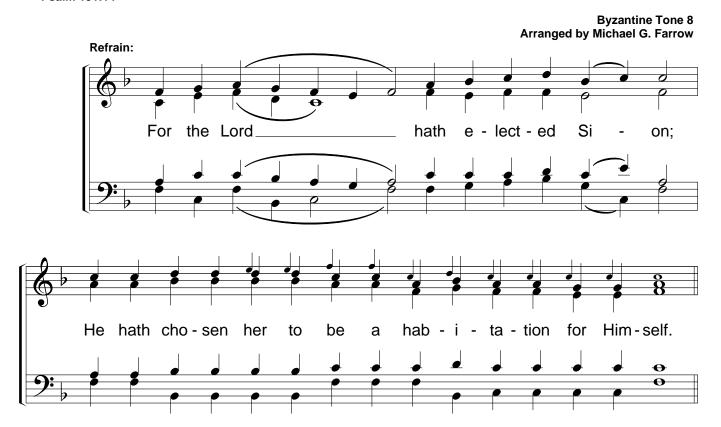
- (1) Thou hast given gladness to my heart. (Psalm 4:7)
- (2) From the fruit of their wheat, wine and oil are they multiplied. (Psalm 4:8)
- (3) In peace in the same place I shall lay me down and sleep. (Psalm 4:9)

(Translation taken from "The Psalter According to the Seventy," Holy Transfiguration Monastery, Boston, MA, 1987)

USAGE: Sept. 14-Elevation of the Cross; Aug. 1-Procession of the Cross; Third Sunday of Great Lent (Sunday of the Cross); Commemoration of a Great Tragedy

Psalm 131:14

For The Lord Hath Elected Sion



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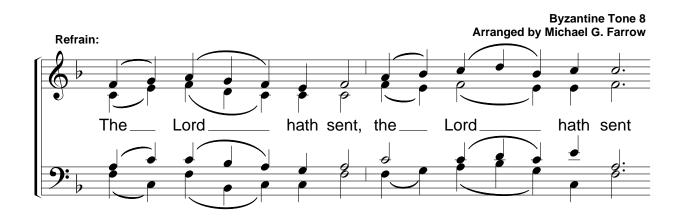
- (1) This is my rest for ever and ever; here will I dwell, for I have chosen her. (Psalm 131:15)
- (2) Blessing, I will bless her pursuit; her beggers will I satisfy with bread. (Psalm 131:16)
- (3) Her priests will I clothe with salvation, and her saints with rejoicing shall rejoice. (Psalm 131:17)

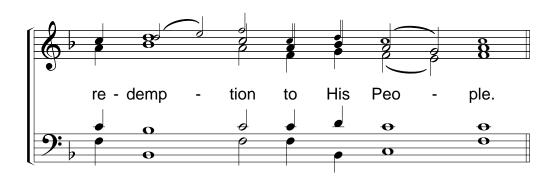
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USAGE: March 25-Annunciation

The Lord Hath Sent Redemption

Psalm 110:8





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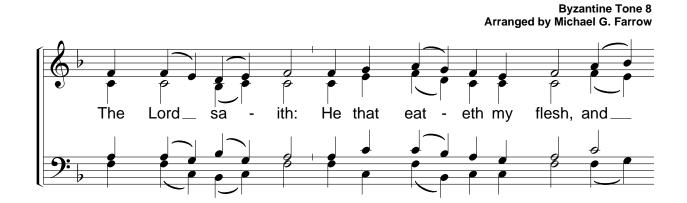
- (1) He hath enjoined His covenant for ever; holy and terrible is His name. (Psalm 110:8)
- (2) The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; all they that foster this have a good understanding. (Psalm 110:9)
- (3) His praise abideth unto ages of ages. (Psalm 110:10)

(Translation taken from "The Psalter According to the Seventy," Holy Transfiguration Monastery, Boston, MA, 1987)

USAGE: Dec. 25th-Nativity of our Lord; Dec. 26-Synaxis of the Theotokos; Sunday after the Nativity of our Lord; Leave-taking of the Nativity of our Lord

The Lord Saith: He That Eateth My Flesh

John 6:56-57





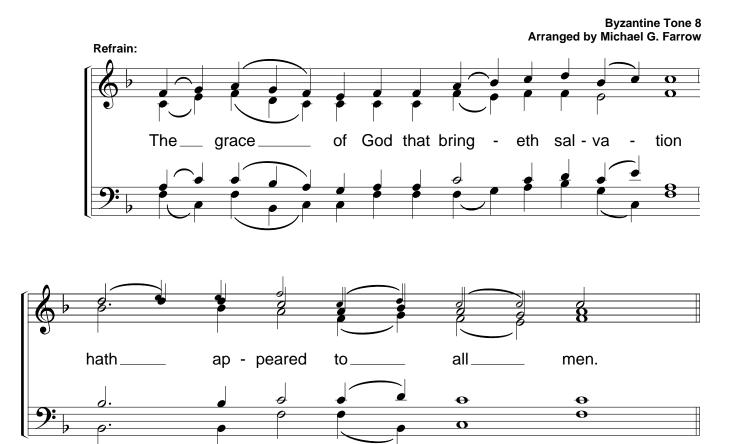
Verses:

- (1) As the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so he who eats me will live because of me. (John 6:57)
- (2) This is the bread which came down from heaven. (John 6:58)
- (3) He who eats this bread will live forever. (John 6:59)

USAGE: Wednesday of Mid-Pentecost

The Grace of God

Titus 2:11



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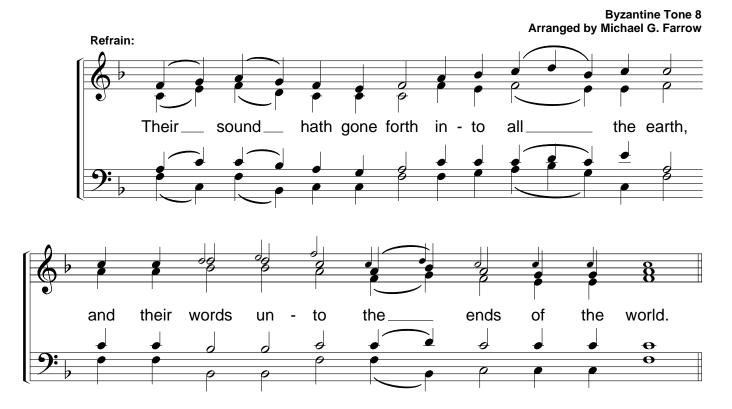
- (1) Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of our great God and Saviour, Jesus Christ. (*Titus 2:13*)
- (2) He who gave Himself for us to redeem us from all iniquity. (Titus 2:14)
- (3) To purify for Himself a people of His own, who are zealous for good deeds. (Titus 2:14)

(Translation taken from "The January Menaion," Holy Transfiguration Monastery, Boston, MA, 2005)

USAGE: Jan. 6-Theophany; The Leave-taking of Theophany; Sunday after Theophany

Psalm 18:4

Their Sound Hath Gone Forth



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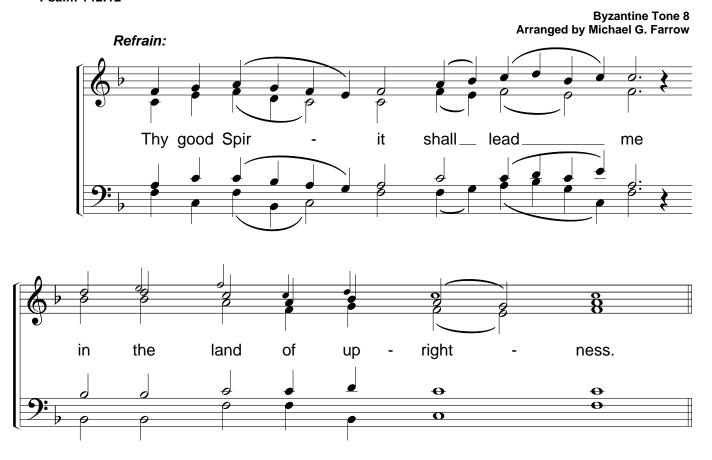
- (1) In the sun hath He set His tabernacle. (Psalm 18:5)
- (2) He, like a bridegroom coming forth from his chamber, will rejoice like a giant to run his course. (Psalm 18:5)
- (3) From the outermost border of heaven is His going forth. (Psalm 18:6)

(Translation taken from "The Psalter According to the Seventy," Holy Transfiguration Monastery, Boston, MA, 1987)

USAGE: Thursday-Weekday; Holy Apostle(s)

Thy Good Spirit

Psalm 142:12



Verses:

- (1) For Thy name's sake, O Lord, shalt Thou quicken me. (Psalm 142:12)
- (2) In Thy righteousness shalt Thou bring my soul out of affliction. (Psalm 142:13)
- (3) In Thy mercy shall Thou utterly destroy mine enemies. (Psalm 142:13)

(Translation taken from "The Psalter According to the Seventy," Holy Transfiguration Monastery, Boston, MA, 1987)

USAGE: Pentecost