

Doxasticha at the Litya

Pre-Feast of the Nativity of Christ - December 24

vs. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,

Tone 2

(For the Fathers, by Germanus)

Kievan Chant
arr. from B. Ledkovsky

Soprano
Alto

Come all who love the feast, let us praise in psalms

the assembly of the Fore-fa - thers: A - dam our first Fa -

ther, E - noch, No - ah, Mel - chiz - e - dek, Ab - raham, Isaac, and

Ja - cob; and those who came af - ter the Law:

Mo - ses, Aa - ron, Josh - u - a, Sa - mu - el and Da - vid,

[I-sa-iah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, ...]

I - sa - iah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, and Dan - iel and with them

the Twelve Proph - ets: E - li - jah, Elisha, and all the rest,

Za - cha - ri - ah and John the Bap - tist: all those who pro -

claimed Christ, // the Life and Re - sur - rec - tion of the

hu - man race!

vs. Now, and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Tone 3 (for the Forefeast)

Make ready, O Bethlehem, for Eden is opened!

Prepare, Ephratha, for Adam and Eve are renewed!

Salvation enters the world and the curse is destroyed;

make ready, O hearts of righteous men! Instead of

myrrh, bring hymns as an offering of wisdom;

[receive salvation and ...]

re - ceive sal - va - tion and immortality of your souls and

bod - ies! Be-hold, the Master lying in the man - ger

urg - es us to complete our spir - it - ual songs. Let us cry

out to Him un - ceas - ing - ly, // "O Lord,

glo - ry to Thee!"