

Stichera at the Litya

Nativity of the Holy Glorious Prophet, Forerunner, and Baptist, John - June 24

Tone 1
Sticheron 1

Russian imperial Court Chant
arr. by L'vov/Bakhmetev

Soprano
Alto

Drop down sweet - ness, O moun - tains, skip like lambs,

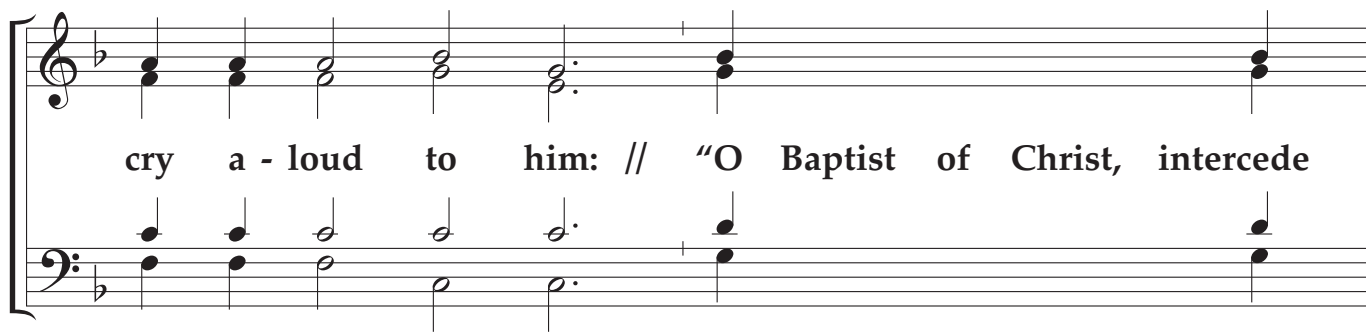
Tenor
Bass

O hills, for the Fore - runner of the Lord Who shall dwell

in our midst has been born of E - liz - a - beth and has

end - ed the silence of his fa - ther! Therefore let us

[cry a-loud...]



cry a - loud to him: // "O Baptist of Christ, intercede




for the sal - va - tion of our souls!"

Sticheron 2



O Fore - runner of the Lord, O lamp of the Light,



O voice that her - alds God, first wit - ness and martyr of



Christ among the Proph - ets, who in - ter - cedes on be -

[-half of the ...]

half of the world, // supplicate unceasingly that your flock be

saved un - harmed!

Sticheron 3

You were a her - ald of the Lamb and Word of God,

O John, Prophet and Fore - run - ner, fore - tell - ing

future events and prophesying to the ends of the earth:

["Behold the Lamb . . .]

"Behold the Lamb of God, Who takes a - way the sin

of the world," // and grants to all great mer - cy!"