

# Stichera at "Lord, I Call"

*The Protection of the Theotokos - October 1*

Optina Monastery Chant

Model: "As one valiant among martyrs"

English setting: V. Morosan

Tone 4  
Sticheron 4

Soprano  
Alto

Tenor  
Bass

You are like the divinely planted Paradise, O Theo -

to - kos, the place where the Tree of Life

was wa - tered by the Ho - ly Spir - it. We ac -

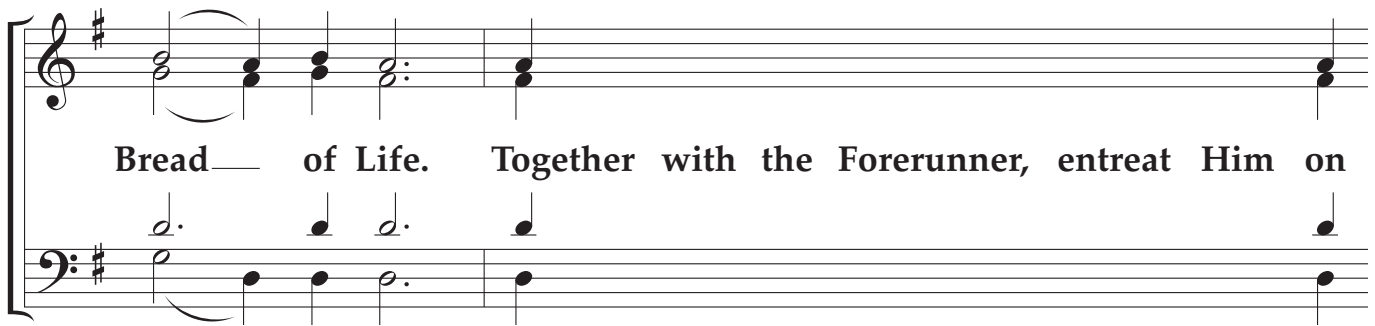
knowl - edge that you gave birth to the Cre -

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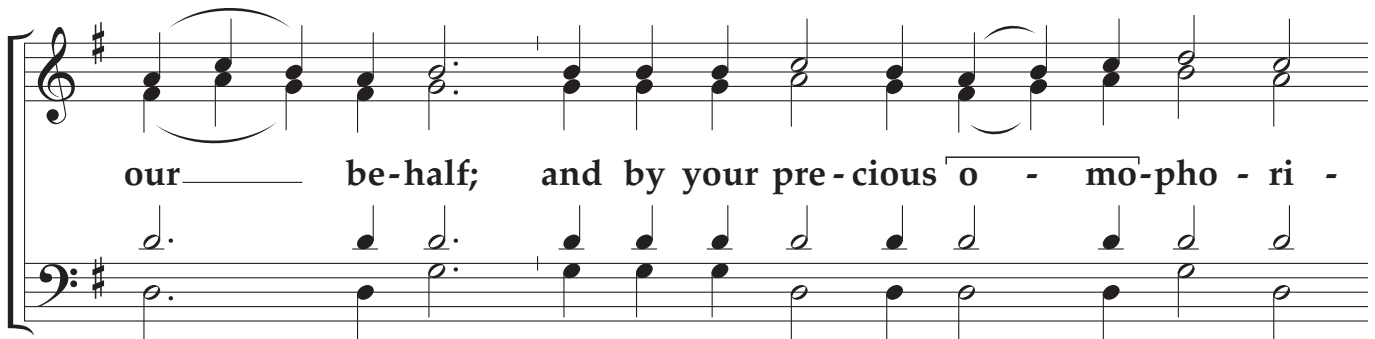
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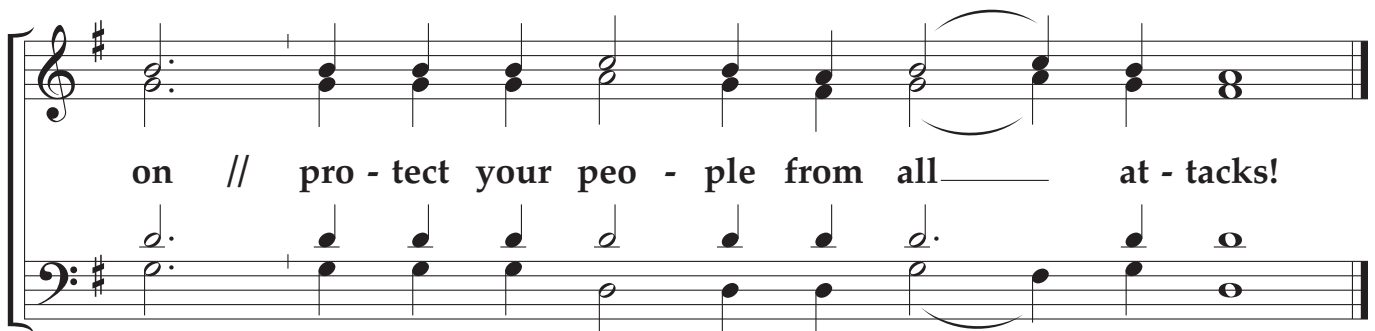
a - tor of all, Who feeds the faith - ful with the



Bread of Life. Together with the Forerunner, entreat Him on



our be-half; and by your pre - cious o - mo - pho - ri -



on // pro - tect your peo - ple from all at - tacks!

Sticheron 5



Heav - en and earth are sanc - ti - fied; the

[Church is radiant . . .]

Church is radiant, and all the people cel - e - brate, —

for be - hold, — the Moth - er of God enters invisibly with the

armies of the An - gels, the Fore - runner, and the

The - o - lo - gian, the Proph - ets, and the A -

pos - tles! She prays to Christ for Chris -

[Chris-tians / and entreats . . . ]

tians and en-treats Him to have mercy on this land and its

peo - ple, // who glorify the feast of her Pro-tection.

Sticheron 6

You are the beauty of Ja - cob and the heav - en - ly

lad - der up-on which the Lord came down to earth.

These images were manifestations of your hon - or and glo - ry,

O The - o - to - kos. An-gels in heav - en and

men on earth call you bless - ed for you gave birth to the

God of all. You pray for all the world,

by your mer - cy pro - tec - ting those // who keep your

ho - ly feast.