

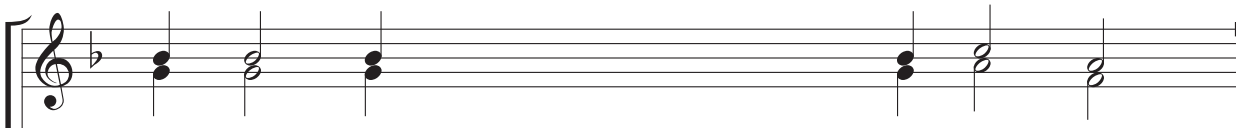
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St. Nicholas the Wonderworker, Archbishop of Myra in Lycia - December 6

**Tone 5
Sticheron 1**

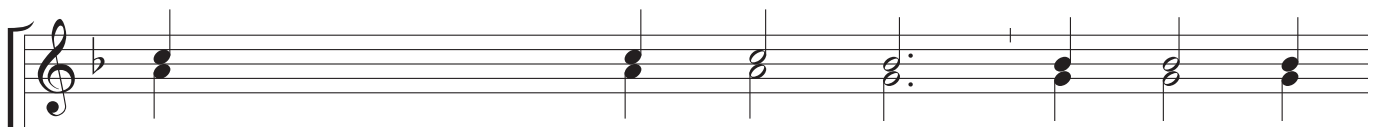
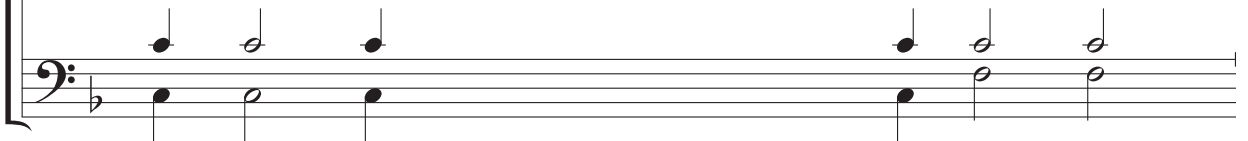
**Russian Imperial Court Chant
arr. by L'vov/Bakhmetev**

Soprano
Alto

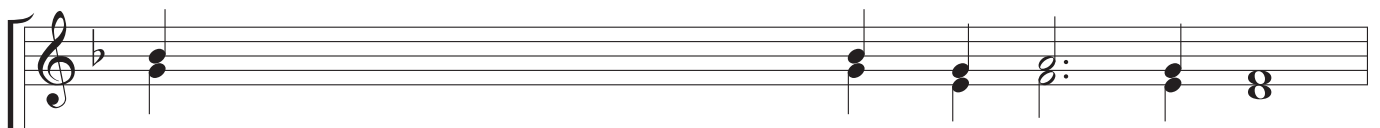
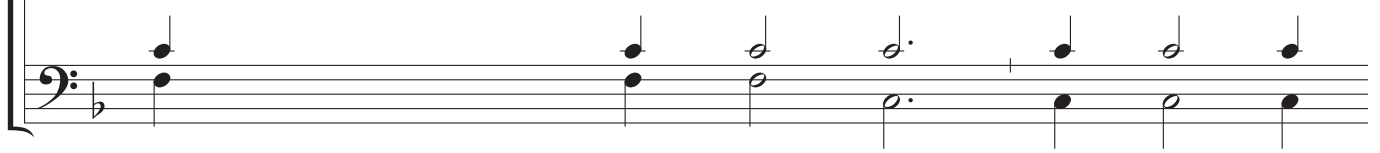


Re - jice, saintly bishop, pure abode of the vir - tues,

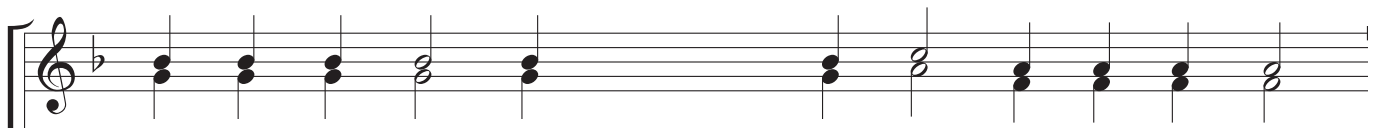
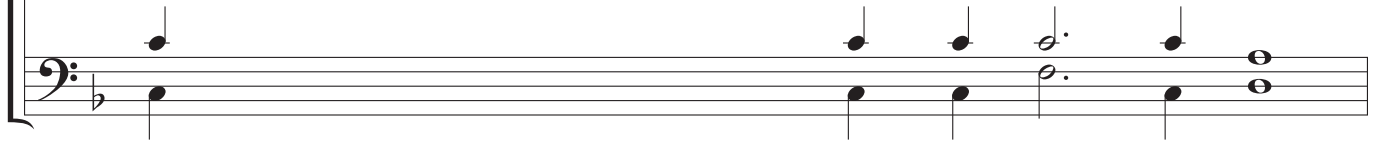
Tenor
Bass



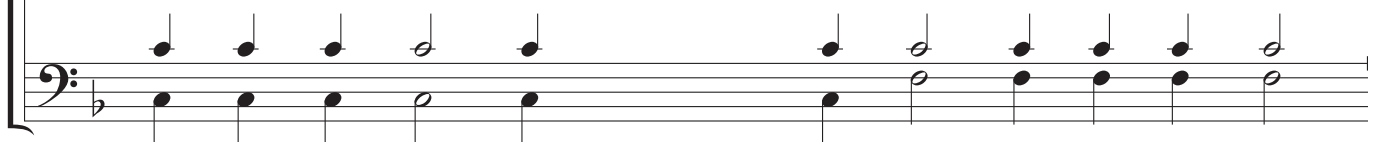
holy example of the divine priest - hood, great shep - herd



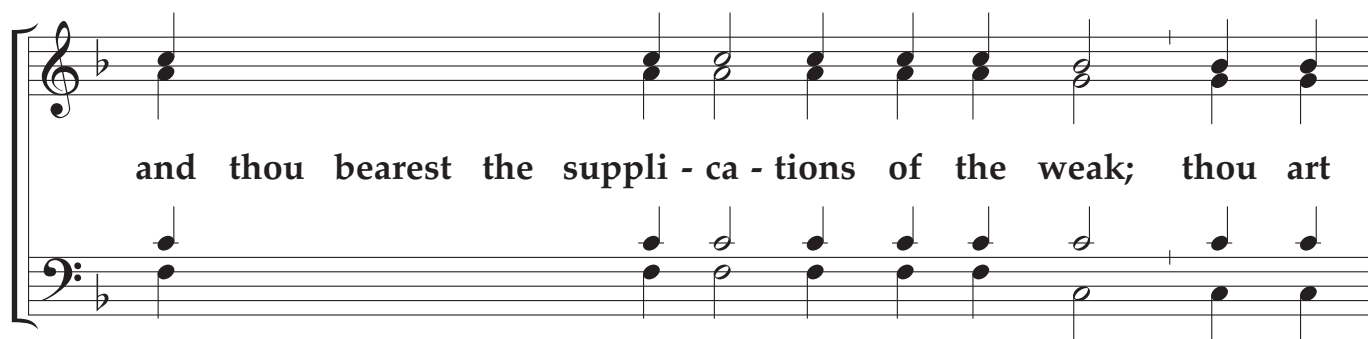
and bright luminary bearing the name of vic - to - ry!



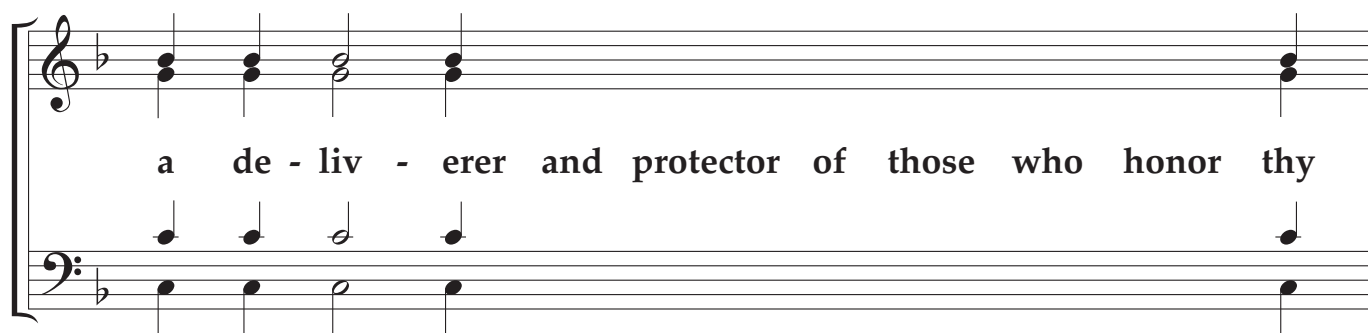
Thou art com - pas - sionate to those who call on thee in prayer,



[and thou bearest...]



and thou bearest the suppli - ca - tions of the weak; thou art



a de - liv - erer and protector of those who honor thy



glo - ri - ous mem - o - ry in faith. // Pray that Christ may



grant the world great mer - cy!

*vs. Precious in the sight
of the Lord is the death
of His saints.*

Sticheron 2



Re-joice, most sa - cred mind, pure dwelling of the

[Trinity,]

Trin - i - ty, pil - lar of the Church and support

of the faith - ful, help of the fallen, star ever

dispersing temptations and af - flic - tions through the

radiance of thy prayers, well - pleas - ing to God! Thou art

a calm ha - ven, Bish - op Nich - o - las, where those who

[flee are saved . . .]

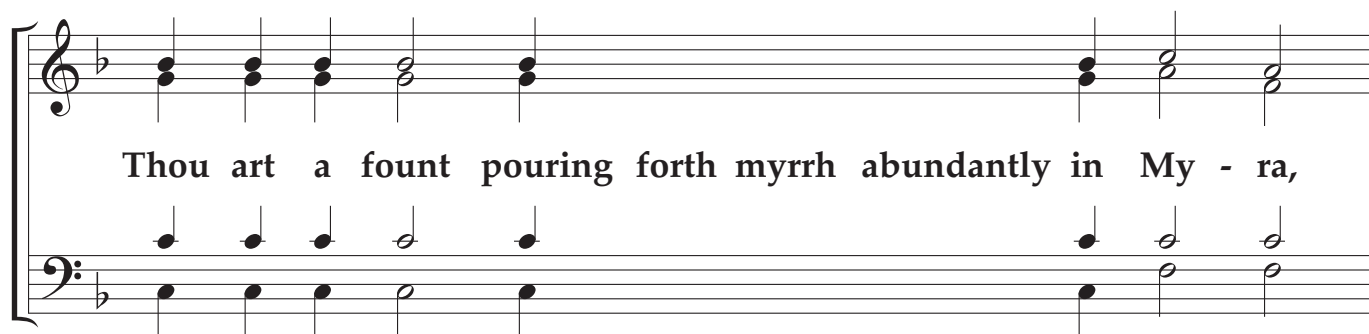
flee are saved from the threatening wave of life. // Pray that
Christ may grant our souls great mer - cy!

vs. Thy priests shall be clothed in righteousness, and Thy saints shall rejoice.

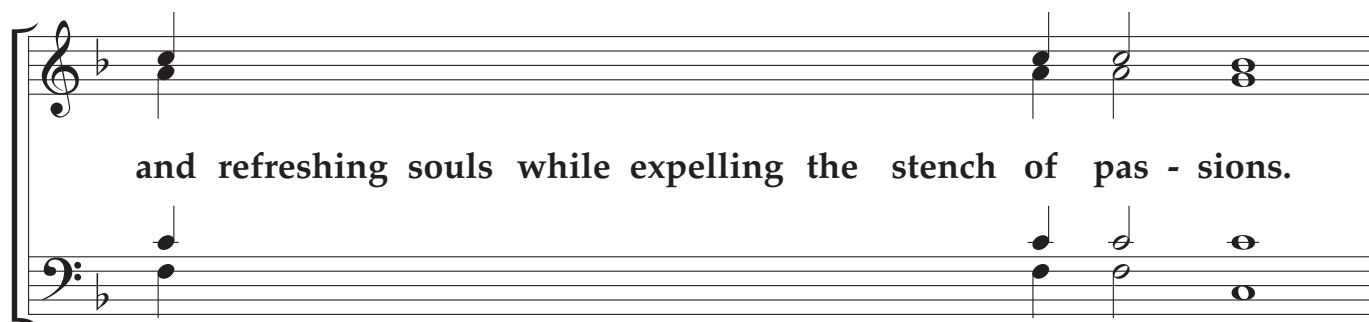
Sticheron 3

Re - joice, O Nicholas, for thou art filled with di - vine
zeal! By fearful visions and warn-ings in dreams thou didst de -
liv - er those about to die unjustly from an e - vil sen - tence.

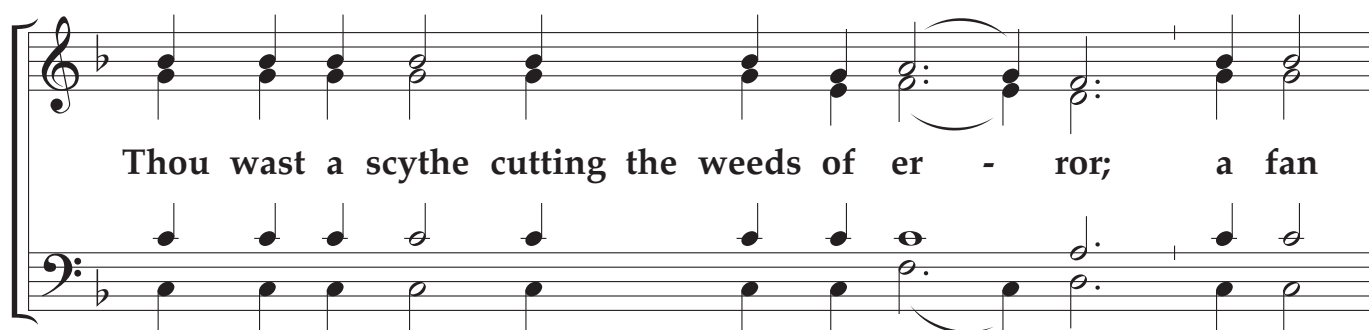
[Thou art a fount...]



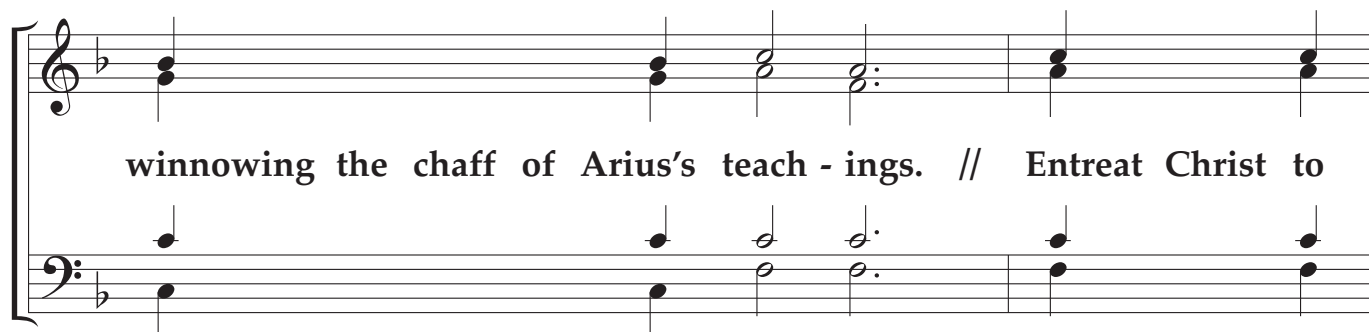
Thou art a fount pouring forth myrrh abundantly in My - ra,



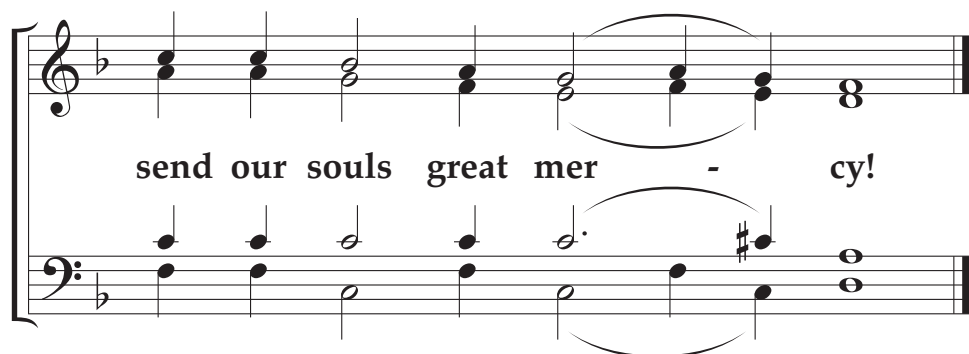
and refreshing souls while expelling the stench of pas - sions.



Thou wast a scythe cutting the weeds of er - ror; a fan



winnowing the chaff of Arius's teach - ings. // Entreat Christ to



send our souls great mer - cy!