

Nativity of the Holy Glorious Prophet, Forerunner and Baptist, John Kontakion

Tone 3

Serbian Chant
arr. P. Drobac

The musical notation consists of five staves of Gregorian chant notation in common time. The key signature is one flat. The notes are primarily quarter notes and eighth notes, with some sixteenth-note patterns. The melody includes several melodic leaps and sustained notes. The lyrics are in English, telling the story of the birth of John the Baptist and his prophetic role.

To - day the for - - mer - ly bar - ren wom - an

gives—— birth to Christ's—— Fore - - run - - ner,

who is the ful - fill - - ment of—— eve - - ry——

prop - e - - cy; for in the Jor - dan, when he laid his

hand on the One fore - told—— by the proph - - - - ets,

he was re - vealed—— as Proph - - - et, Her - -

ald and Fore - - run - - ner of God——

the—— Word.