

Doxastichon at the Aposticha

The Nativity of Christ - December 25

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

Russian Imperial Court Chant
arr. from L'vov/Bakhmetev

Tone 4

Soprano Alto

Tenor Bass

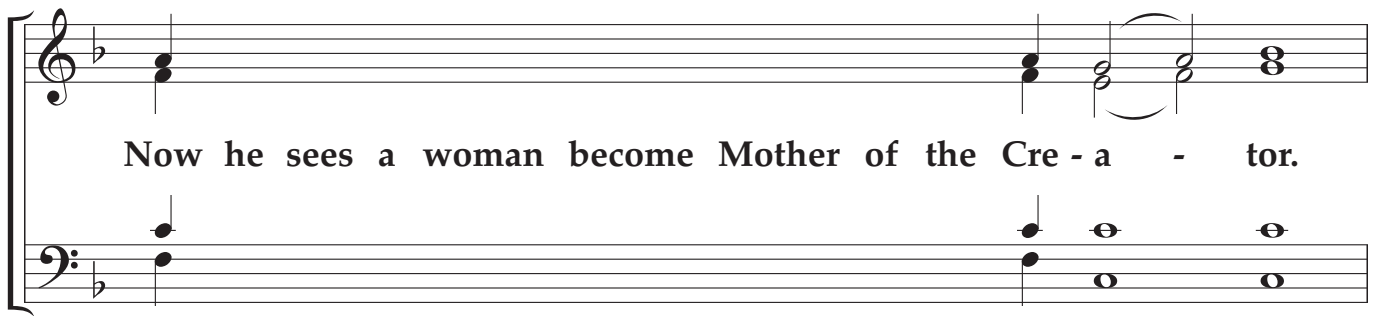
Sing, O Je - ru - sa - lem! Make merry, all who love

Zi - on! To - day Ad - am's ancient bonds are bro - ken.

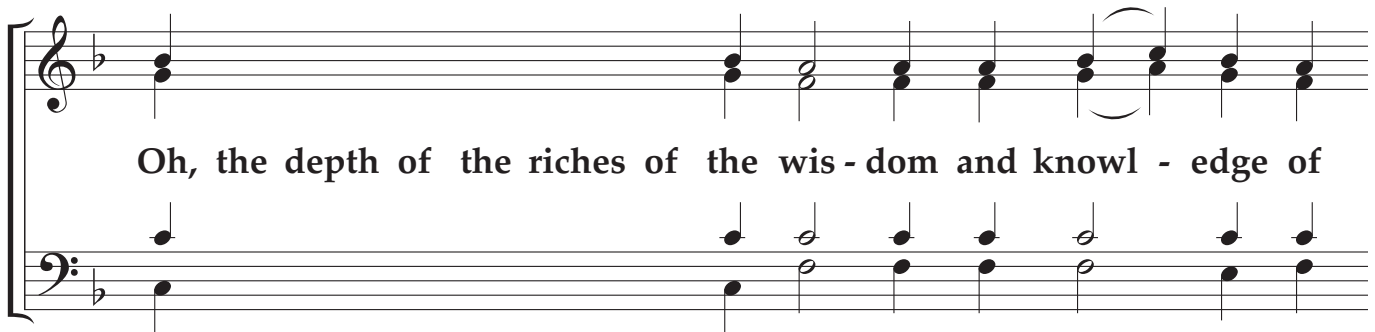
Paradise is o - pened to us. The ser - pent is cast down.

Long ago our first mother was de - ceived by him.

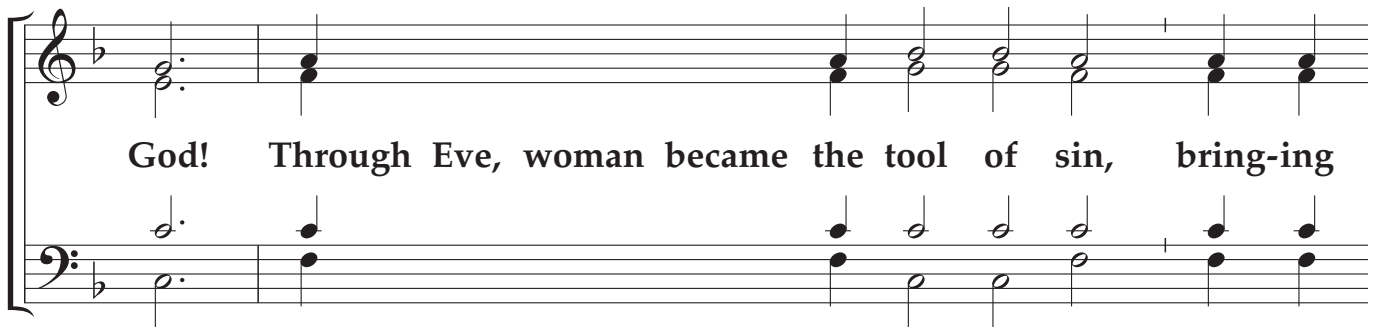
[Now he sees a . . .]



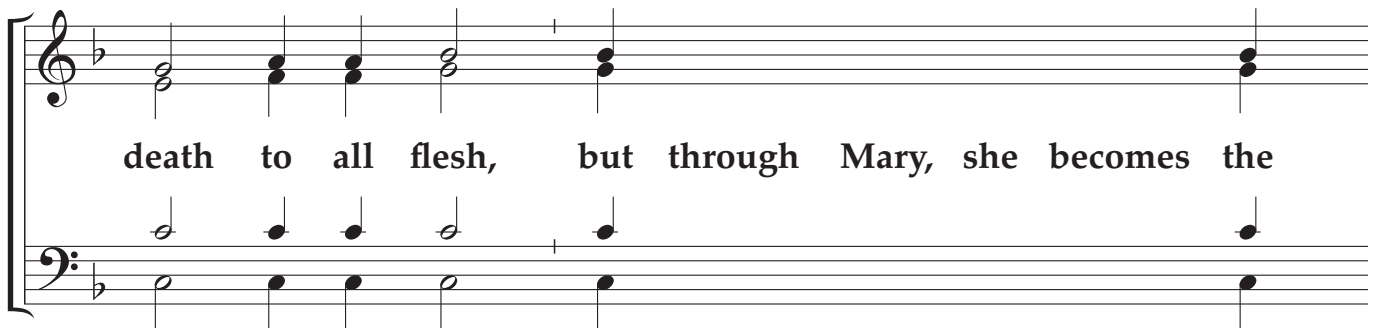
Now he sees a woman become Mother of the Cre - a - tor.



Oh, the depth of the riches of the wis - dom and knowl - edge of



God! Through Eve, woman became the tool of sin, bring-ing



death to all flesh, but through Mary, she becomes the



first-fruits of sal - va - tion for all the world, for God, the All -

[perfect, is born . . .]

per-fect, is born of her. By His birth He seals her vir -

gin - i - ty. He is bound in swaddling clothes to

loose — the bonds of sin. Through His birth, the pains of

Eve are healed. Let all creation sing and dance for joy, //

for Christ has come to restore it and to save our souls!

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

You have dwelt in a cave, O Christ our God, and a

man-ger wel-come-d You; shep-herds and wise men wor-shipped

You. Then were the words of the Proph-ets ful-filled,

and the hosts of Angels mar-veled and cried: //

"Glory to Your condescension, O on-ly Lov-er of Man!"