

Stichera Aposticha

Righteous Olga of Kwethluk, Wonderworker, Matushka of All Alaska - October 27

Tone 4

Sticheron 1

Russian Imperial Court Chant

arr. from L'vov-Bakhmetev

Soprano
Alto

Tenor
Bass

Thou wast given the grace of cures and heal - ing;

having been faithful in little, thou wast given au - thor - i - ty

o - ver much. To a wom - an suffering in spirit and op -

pressed by her past, thou didst out-stretch thy lov - ing arms,

[lifting her up...]

lifting her up and re - stor - ing her to whole - ness and life.

Wherefore, O holy mátushka, comforter of the suf - fer - ing,

we join her in honoring thy holy mem - o - ry, //

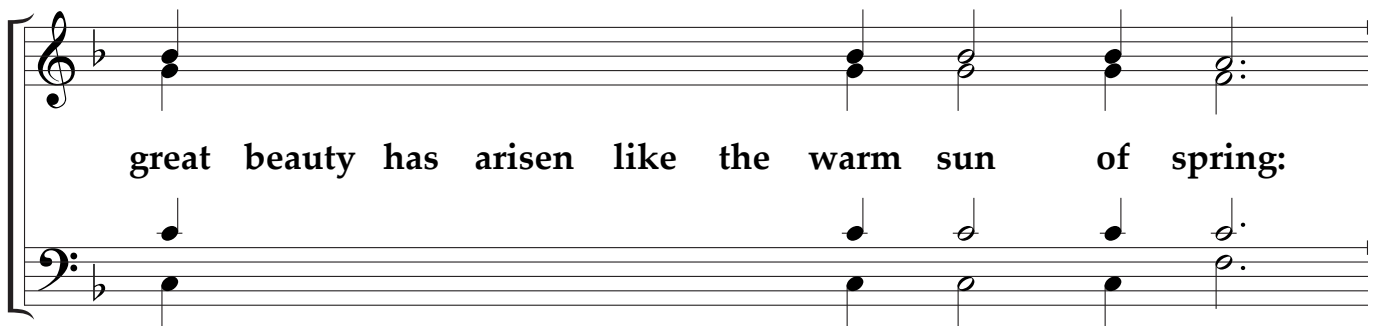
glorifying our God Who is won - drous in His Saints.

v. Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous; praise befits the just. (Ps. 32:1)

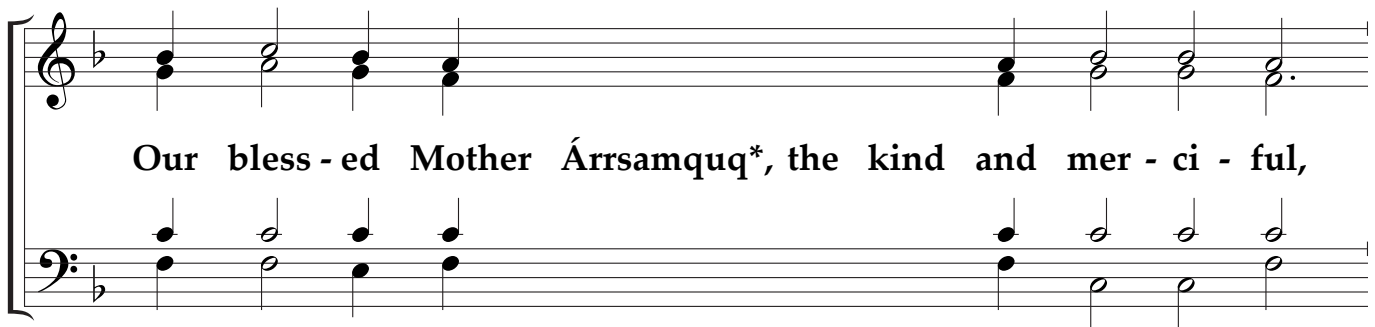
Sticheron 2

In the remote wilderness of the Alaskan tun - dra,

[great beauty has arisen . . .]



great beauty has arisen like the warm sun of spring:



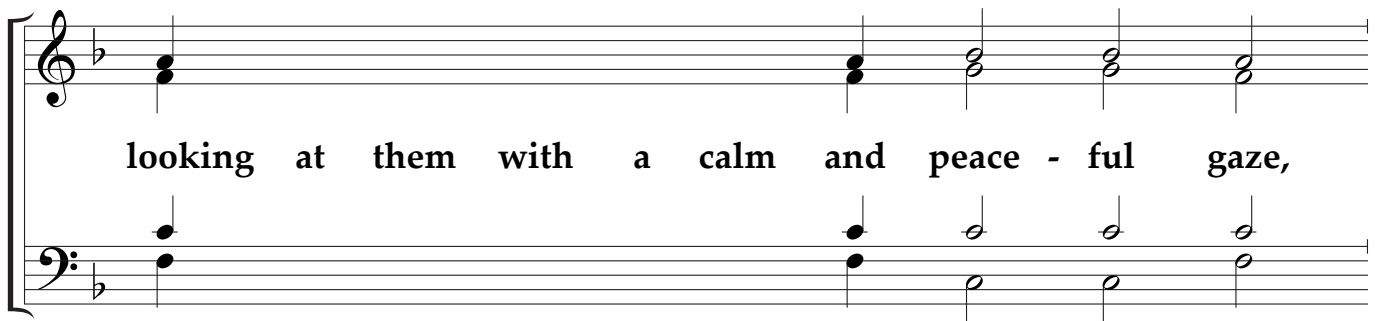
Our bless - ed Mother Árrsamquq*, the kind and mer - ci - ful,



who brings comfort and healing to those in need.



Touching them with her gen - tle and lov - ing hands,



looking at them with a calm and peace - ful gaze,

*St. Olga's given Yupik name, pronounced "AHKH-sum-ghook."

[she reminds ...]

she reminds them to fear — not, // for it is the

Father's good pleasure to give them the King - dom.

v. Blessed are all they that fear the Lord, that walk in his ways. (Ps. 127:1)

Sticheron 3

Mothers who have lost their children while still in the

womb turn to thee, O holy midwife of Kwe-thluk*, ask - ing in

prayer that their unborn be pro - tec - ted in thy care

**Pronounced KWEE-thlook*

[and safely born ...]

and safely born into the world to give glo - ry to God.

And as once in Kwethluk*, so now thou dost race un - to their

aid, caring for them until their child - ren can be born,

granting them to see the fruit of their womb // and through the

Virgin Theotokos peace and great mer - cy.

*Pronounced KWEE-thlook