

Stichera at "Lord, I Call"

St. John the Merciful - November 12

Tone 4
Sticheron 1

Model melody: "Thou hast given a sign"
Kievan Chant Model Melody

Soprano
Alto

Tenor
Bass

In mercy, O wondrous John, thou didst follow the most

mer - ci - ful Mas - ter. Thou didst cast forth thy bread, O

ven' - ra - ble one, dis - trib - ut - ing to those in need.

Therefore, O holy one, thy memory is tru - ly e - ter - nal.

[We celebrate it with faith. . .]

We celebrate it with faith and love. By thy supplications

save us from temp - ta - tions and trib - u - la - tions, //

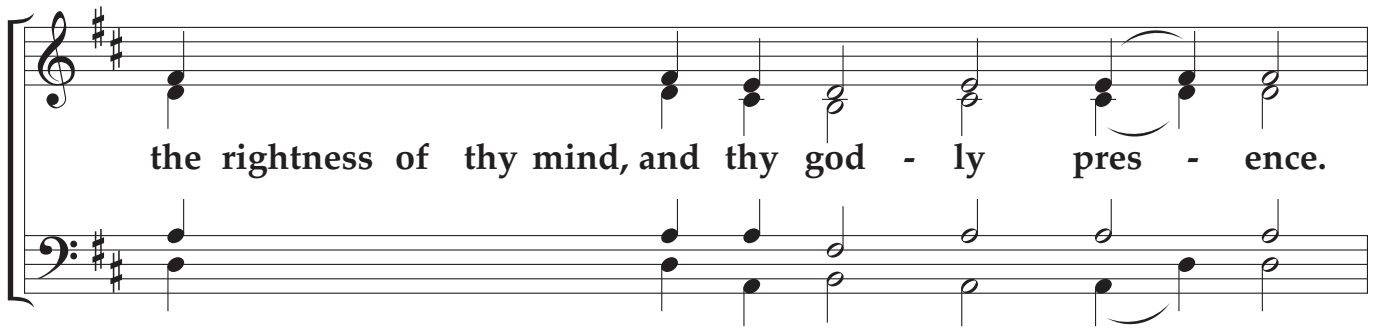
O most wealth-y bish - op!

Sticheron 2

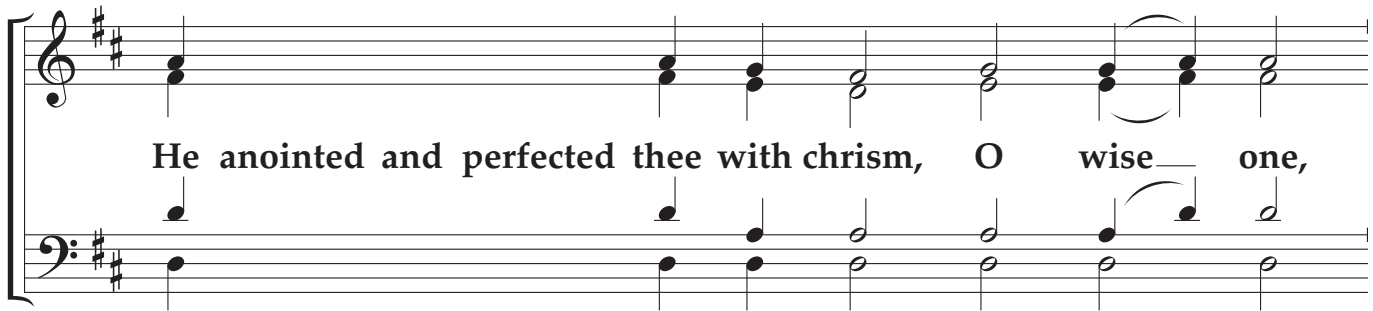
He Who sees what is hidden elevated thee to a most mag-

nif - i - cent throne. He fore-saw thy pu - ri - ty,

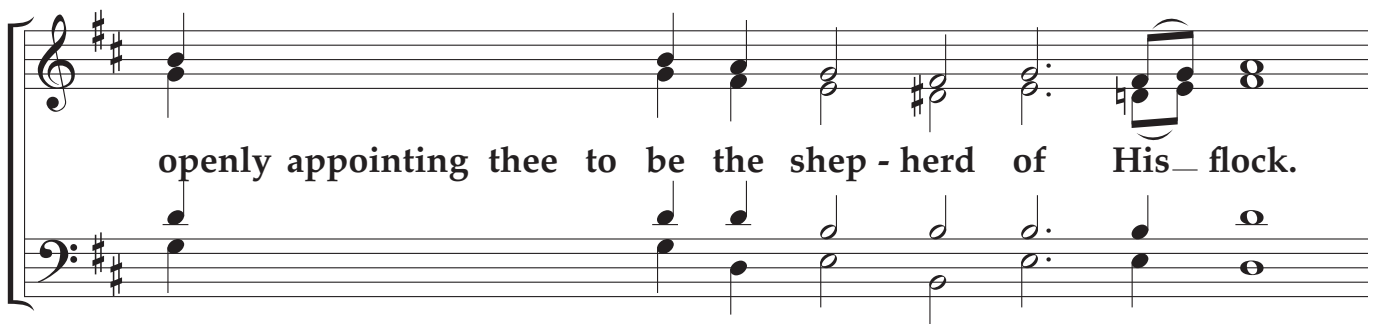
[the rightness of thy mind ...]



the rightness of thy mind, and thy god - ly pres - ence.



He anointed and perfected thee with chrism, O wise one,



openly appointing thee to be the shep - herd of His flock.



Thou didst guide them to the heaven of di - vine de - sire, //



O di - vine - ly el - o - quent John.

Sticheron 3

The Lord granted all the re-quests of thy heart, O tru-ly
 won - drous one. Thou didst ob-serve all the laws of sal -
 va - tion, for thou didst love God and neighbor without limit,
 as thy ver - y self, O di-vine - ly bless - ed one.
 Thou didst sat - is - fy those in need. // There-fore, O John, we

[hon-or thee today.]

hon - or thee to - day.