

Stichera at The Praises - Tone 2

(This version of Tone 2 is used for Lord, I Call and the Praises.)

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v. 1 

To ex - e - cute on them the judge - ment writ - en;
this glo - ry shall be to all His faith - ful ones.

1. 

Eve - ry - thing that breathes and all cre - a -
tion glo - ri - fies Thee, O Lord, for through the
cross Thou hast de - stroyed death, that Thou
might - est show to all Thy res - ur - rec - tion from the dead,
as the on - ly Friend of man.

v. 2 

Praise God in His sanc - tu - a - ry; praise
Him in His might - y fir - ma - ment.

2. 

Let the Ju - de - ans ex - plain how the sol -

diers lost the King whom they were guard - - - ing;

how could the stone fail to con - tain the Rock

of life? Ei - ther bring out Him who was bur -

- - - ied, or wor - ship the Ris - en One, and join us

as we cry: "Glo - ry to the mul - ti - tude of Thy com - pas -

sions, O our Sav - iour; glo - - - ry to Thee!"

v. 3 ^F Praise Him for his might - y deeds; praise Him ac - cord -

ing to His ex - ceed - ing great - - - ness.

3. ^F Re - joice and be glad, O peo - - -

ple, for an an - gel sit - ting on the grave stone has giv - en

us good news, say - ing: "Christ is ris - en from the dead,"

the Sav-iour of the world, and has filled all things with
sweet fra-grance; re-joice and be
glad, O peo-ple!"

v. 4 **F**
Praise Him with trum-pet sound; praise
Him with lute and harp.

4. **F**
An an-gel came be-fore Thy con-cep-
tion, O Lord, with the greet-ing "Re-joice!" to her
who is full of grace; and an an-gel rolled a-
way the stone from Thy glo-rious tomb at Thy res-ur-rec-tion.
One an-nounced joy in-stead of grief, and the oth-er, in-
stead of death, pro-claimed to us the Mas-ter and

Giv - er of Life, and so we cry a - loud to Thee:

"O Ben - e - fac - tor of all, O Lord,

glo - ry to Thee!"

v. 5 Praise Him with tim - brel and dance; praise

Him with strings and pipe.

5. At Thy tomb, the wom - en poured out tears

with their myrrh, but their mouths were filled with joy as they

cried: "The Lord is risen!"

v. 6 Praise Him with sound - ing cym - bals; praise Him with

loud clash - ing cym - bals. Let eve - ry - thing that

breathes praise the Lord.

6. 
Let the na - tions and peo - ples praise - Christ our


God, who for our - sakes vol - un - tar - i - ly suf - fered


on the cross, and spent three days in Ha -


- des; and let them wor - ship His res - ur - rec -


tion from the dead, for through it the


ends of the world have been en - light - ened.

v. 7 
A - rise, O Lord my God; let Thy hand be


lift - ed up, for Thou dost reign for - ev - er.

7. 
Thou wast cru - ci - fied and bur - ied as Thou didst


will, O Christ, de - spoil - ing death and ris -


ing in glo - ry as God and Mas - ter, grant - ing the



world e - ter - nal — life and great — mer - - - cy.



I will give thanks to Thee, O Lord, — with my whole —



— heart; I will speak — of all — Thy mar -



vel - lous — works.



In truth, — O — law - less — ones, by — seal -



ing the — stone we were made wor - thy of be - hold - ing an



e - ven great - er won - - - der! For the guards, who —



knew — that to - day He had come forth from the grave, were —



told: "Say that, while — you were sleep - ing, His dis - ci - ples came and



stole — Him — a - way." Who would steal a dead — man, es -



pe - cial - ly one na - - - ked? He Him - self a - rose —

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by His own pow - er as God,
leav - ing be - hind His grave - clothes in the
tomb. Come and see, O Ju - de - ans, how He did not break the
seals, He who tram - pled on death
and grants man - kind nev - er - end - ing life
and great mer - cy.