The memory of the righteous is celebrated with hymns of praise, but the Lord’s testimony is sufficient for thee, O ForeRunner. Thou wast shown in truth to be the most honorable of the prophets, for thou wast deemed worthy to baptize in the streams of the Jordan Him whom they foretold.

[Therefore, having suffered...]
Therefore, having suffered for the truth with joy, thou didst proclaim to those in hell God who appeared in the flesh, who takes away the sin of the world, and grants us great mercy.