Sunday of the Prodigal Son
At "LORD, I CALL"

Note: At "Lord, I Call" we sing seven stichera of the Resurrection in the tone of the week, and the following stichera from the Triodion.

Sticheron 1: Tone 1
Common chant,
arranged from
LVOV/BAKHMETEV

Soprano
Alto
(Melody in Alto)

RICH AND FERTILE WAS THE EARTH ALLOTED TO US,

BASS

BUT ALL WE PLANTED WERE THE SEEDS OF SIN. WE REAPED THE

Tenor
Bass

SHEAVES OF EVIL WITH THE SICKLE OF LAZINESS;

WE FAILED

TO PLACE THEM ON THE THRESHING FLOOR OF SORROW.

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NOW WE BEG YOU, O LORD, ETERNAL MASTER OF THE HARVEST:

MAY YOUR LOVE BECOME THE BREEZE TO WINNOW THE STRAW OF OUR WORTH-LESS DEEDS!

MAKE US LIKE PRECIOUS WHEAT TO BE STORED IN HEAVEN, AND SAVE US ALL!

Sticheron 2: In the same Tone

(Twice)

BROTHERS, OUR PURPOSE IS TO KNOW THE POWER OF GOD'S GOODNESS.

FOR WHEN THE PRODIGAL SON ABANDONED HIS SIN, HE HAS-TENDED TO
The refuge of his father. That good man embraced him and welcomed him; he killed the fatted calf and celebrated with heavenly joy. Let us learn from this example to offer thanks to the father who loves all men, and to the victim, the glorious savior of our souls!
(Melody in Alto)

WHAT GREAT BLESSINGS HAVE I FORSAKEN, WRETCH THAT I AM?
FROM WHAT

KINGDOM HAVE I MISERABLY FALLEN?
I HAVE SQUANDERED

THE RICHES THAT WERE GIVEN ME;
I HAVE TRANSGRESSED THE

COMMANDMENTS.
WOE TO ME WHEN I SHALL BE CONdemned TO

ETERNAL FIRE!
CRY OUT TO CHRIST, O MY SOUL, BEFORE THE
END DRAWS NIGH: "RECEIVE ME AS THE PRODIGAL, O GOD, AND HAVE

MER - CY ON ME!"

After "Now and ever...": THE DOGMATIKON IN THE TONE OF THE WEEK.