Stichera at “Lord, I

The Elevation of the Holy Cross – September 14

As the Cross is lifted on high, it urges all of creation to praise the undefiled Passion of Christ, Who was lifted up on it. For by the Cross He killed the one who killed us, and brought us back to life when we were dead. He adorned us in beauty, [and in His compassion . . . ]
and in His compassion made us worthy to live in heaven.

Therefore we rejoice and exalt His name, // and magnify His infinite condescension.

Sticheron 2

Moses prefigured thee, O precious Cross, when he stretched out his hands on high, and put the tyrant [Amalek to flight.]
Am - a - lek to flight. Thou art the boast of the faithful, the
support of those who suf - fer, the glory of the Apostles, the
champion of the Right - eous, and the preservation of
all the Saints. Therefore, beholding thee raised on high,
creation rejoices and cel - e - brates, glorifying Christ Who has
joined together through thee that which was divided, //

in His infinite goodness.

Sticheron 3

O most venerable Cross, attended by ranks of rejoicing

angels, as thou art exalted today at the divine command, thou dost lift up again all those who

[through the stolen ...]
through the stolen food had been cast out and were sunk in 

death. Therefore, as we venerate thee in faith with heart and 
lips, we draw sanctification from thee and cry a-

“Exalt Christ, the God transcendent in goodness, // 

and venerate His divine footstool!”