Doxastichon at the Apostichæ
Meeting of Our Lord - February 2

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Kievan Chant
arr. from B. Ledkovsky

by Andrew of Crete

Soprano
Alto
Tenor
Bass

He Who is borne on high by the Cherubim and praised in

hymns by the Seraphim is brought today according to the Law

into the holy Temple and rests in the arms of the Elder

as on a throne. From Joseph He receives gifts fitting for God:

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a pair of doves, a symbol of the spotless Church and of the newly chosen people of the Gentiles, and two young pigeons, for He is the originator of the two Covenants, both Old and New.

Simeon, now granted the fulfillment of the prophesies concerning himself, blesses the Virgin and Theotokos Mary. He foretells
in figures the Passion of her Son. From Him he begs release, crying aloud: “Now, Master, let me depart as You have promised me, for I have seen the pre-ternal Light// and the Lord and Savior of the people who bear the name of Christ!”