Stichera at the Aposticha
The Meeting of Our Lord - February 2

Kievan Chant
arr. from B. Ledkovsky

by Cosmas the monk

Soprano
Alto

Tenor
Bass

A-dorn your bridal chamber, O Zion, and welcome Christ the King!

Salute Mary, the heavenly gate, fashioned as the throne of the Cherubim!

She carries the King of Glory! The Virgin is a cloud of light: she has borne in the flesh the Son begotten before
the Morn ing Star. Sim e on, taking Him in his arms, proclaimed to the peo - ples: "He is the Master of life and death; the Sav ior of the world!"

v. Lord, now let Your servant depart in peace, according to Your word, for my eyes have seen Your salvation! (Lk 2:29)
latter times He was born from a Virgin womb. He gave the Law on Mount Sinai, yet He makes Himself obedient to the commandment of the Law.

She has brought Him to the Priest and righteous Elder whose appointed lot it was to see Christ the Lord. Simeon, receiving Him in his arms, rejoiced greatly and cried aloud: "This is God Who is co-eternal..."
v. A Light to enlighten the Gentiles, and the glory of Your people Israel. (Lk 2:32)

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Theotokos Mary carried in her arms the One who is borne aloft upon the chariot of the Cherubim, and praised in song by the Seraphim. The Giver of the Law, Who fulfills the commandment of the Law, was made flesh of the Unwedded One.
She gave Him into the arms of the Priest and Elder. Holding the

Life, he asked to be released from life, saying: "Now, Master, let

me depart to declare to Adam that I have seen the pre-eternal God

and Savior of the world,// Who was made a Babe without under-

going change!"