The Lord ascended into heaven, that He might send the
Com­for­ter into the world. The heavens prepared His
Man high above them. The Father received Him Whom He
holds, co-eternal, in His bos­om. The Holy Spirit

[commands all His angels:]

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commands all His Angels: “Lift up your gates, you princes! All you nations, clap your hands: for Christ has gone up to where He was before!”

The Cherubim were amazed at Your Ascension, O Lord, beholding You, the God Who sits enthroned upon them,
ascending upon the clouds; and we glorify You,

for Your mercy is good. // Glory to You!

Beholding Your Ascension on the holy mountain, O Christ,

the brightness of the Father’s glory, we hymn the radiant appearance of Your countenance; we worship Your Passion
we honor Your Resurrection, as we glorify

Your glorious Ascension. // Have mercy on us!

Lord, when Your Apostles saw You carried up on the clouds, they were filled with sorrow, O Christ, the Giver of Life; with wailing and tears they lamented and said:

["Master, do not leave us..."]
"Master, do not leave us, Your servants, as orphans,

whom through pity You have loved in Your compassion,

but as You promised, send us Your All-holy Spirit, //

to enlighten our souls!"

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Lord, when You had fulfilled the mystery of Your dispensation, You took...
sa - tion, Your took Your dis - ci - ples with You

up onto the Mount of Ol - ives; and behold! You

passed through the firmament of heav - en. For my sake You

be - came poor like me, and ascended to the place from

where You were never part - ed. Send forth Your All-holy

[Spirit to illumine our souls.]
Spirit to illumine our souls!