Stichera at the Apostichon

Triodion - Forgiveness Sunday Vespers

Tone 4
Sticheron 1
Kievan Chant
arr. from B. Ledkovsky

Your grace has shone forth, O Lord: The grace which illuminates our soul. This is the acceptable time!

This is the time of repentance! Let us lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light,
that passing through the Fast as through a great sea we may reach

the Resurrection on the third day of our Lord Jesus Christ, the

Savior of our souls.

v. I lift up my eyes to You, enthroned in the heavens! Behold, as the eyes of servants look to the hand of their master, as the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress, so our eyes look to the Lord our God, till He have mercy upon us. (Ps 122/123:1-2)

(repeat Sticheron 1, "Your grace has shone forth...")

v. Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy upon us, for we have had more than enough of contempt. Too long our soul has been sated with the scorn of those who are at ease, the contempt of the proud. (Ps 122/123:3-4)
Sticheron 2

You are glorified in the memory of Your saints, O Christ God. // At their supplications, send down on us Your great

giveness!

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

The angelic hosts glorify you, O Mother of God, for you gave birth to God, co-e-t e r - n al with the Father and the Spirit,
Who, by His own desire, created the angelic hosts out of nothing.

Beseech Him to deliver from corruption and to enlighten the souls of those who rightly praise you, O most pure one!