

Sticheron 1. Mode pl. 4. *Ni=C. What a paradoxal.*

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Praise Him with timbrel and dance; praise Him with strings and flute.

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What a par - a - dox - al mir - a - cle! The ho - ly Fore - run - ner

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John, as the her - ald of God the Word, has-tens to come forth to-

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day from his el-der-ly moth-er's womb. And by his birth he

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ren - ders his fa - ther's tongue, that had been fet - tered, dis - tinct - ly

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el - o-quent. Tru - ly in - ef - fa - ble, Mas - ter, is Your

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prov - i - dence! By which, O Christ, save our souls, as You a-lone are

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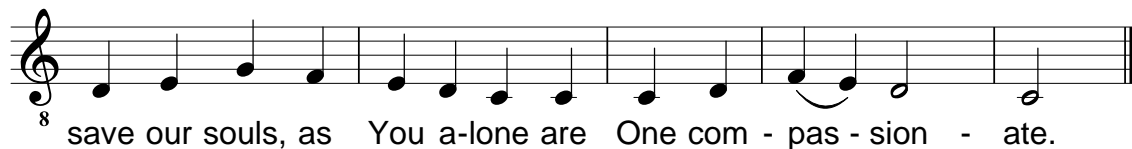
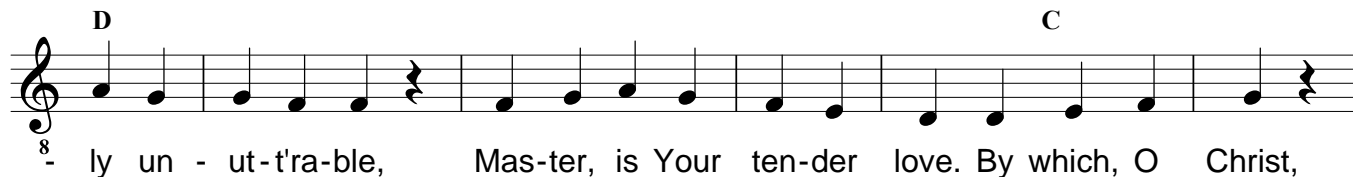
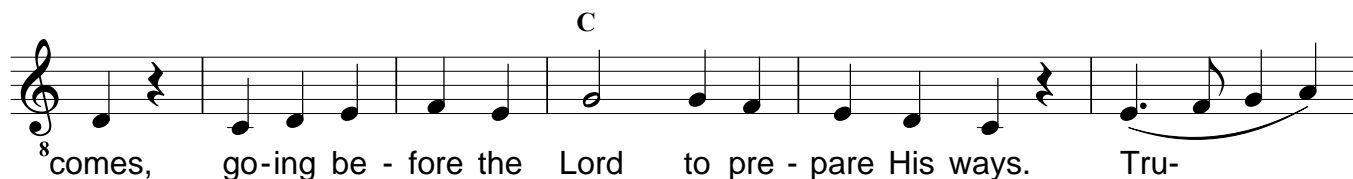
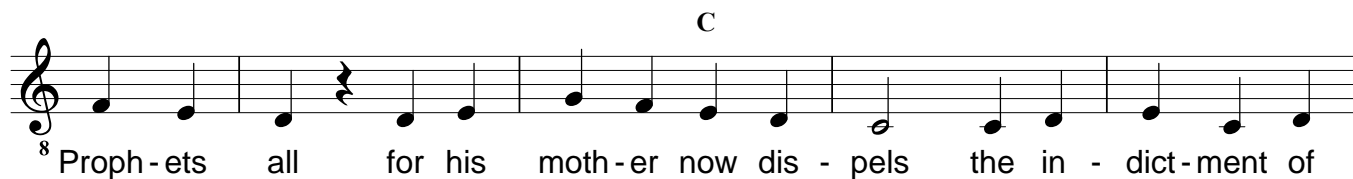
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Sticheron 2. Mode pl. 4. *Ni=C. What a paradoxal.*

Diatonic



8 Praise Him with resounding cymbals, praise Him with triumphant cymbals.



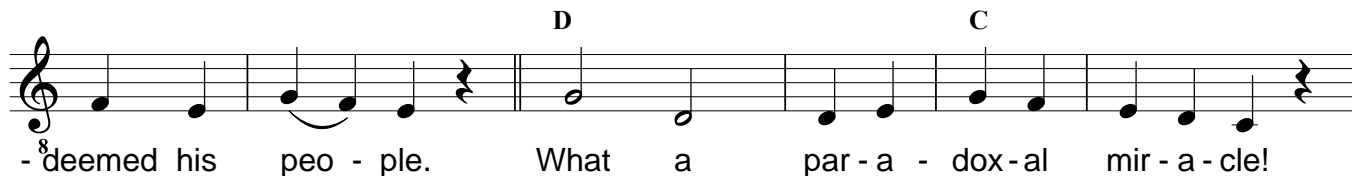
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Diatonic

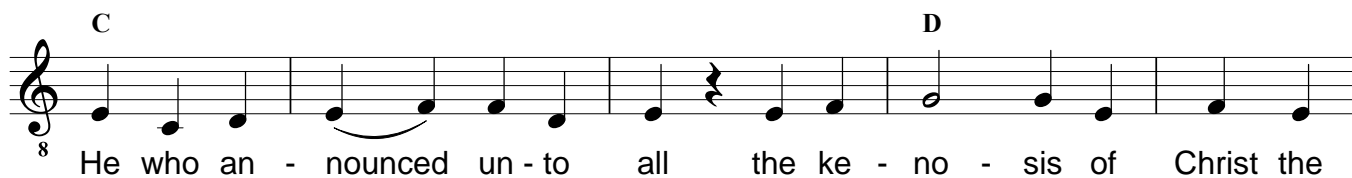
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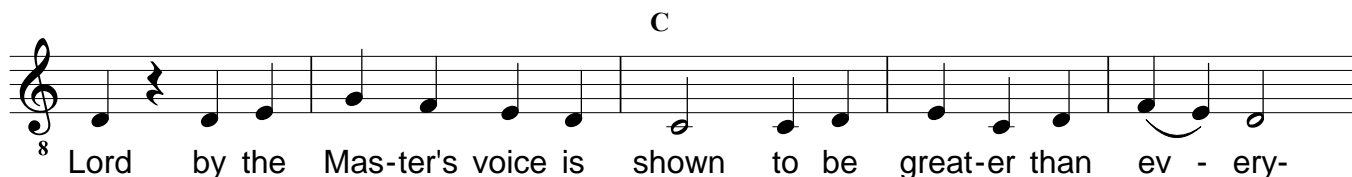
Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for he has vis - it - ed and re-



- deemed his peo - ple. What a par - a - dox - al mir - a - cle!



He who an - nounced un - to all the ke - no - sis of Christ the



Lord by the Mas-ter's voice is shown to be great-er than ev - ery-



- 8 one. And he re - leas - es E - liz - a-beth's bar-ren - ness



by di - vine pow - er, and Zach-a - ri-ah's voice. Tru - ly mag-



8 nif - i-cent, Mas-ter, are Your mir - a-cles. By which, O Christ, save us who



hon-or Your great Bap-tist and Fore-run-ner.

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Diatonic

8 And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High; for you will

8 go be-fore the Lord to pre - pare His ways. What a par-a - dox-al

8 mir - a - cle! He who had leapt in the womb as the Proph - et and

8 Fore-run-ner now is shown to be the one who is great-est a-

8 - mong those born of wom-en, high-er yet than the Proph-ets all, and

8 of the com - ing of Christ the mes-sen-ger. Great and mag-

8 - nif - i - cent, lov-ing Mas-ter, are Your gifts! By which, O Christ,

8 save our souls, as You a-lone are the Al - might - y One.