

Second (Iambic) Canon

First Ode

Ἐσωσε λαόν

 π
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(Π)
ork - ing a great won - - der the Mas - ter saved the peo - -

ple $\ddot{\alpha}$ of old when He made dry the sea's swell - ing wa - -

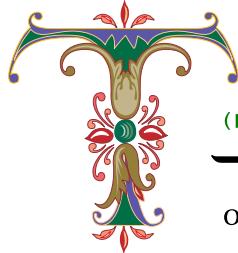
ter. π q And now He is born of His own will from a Maid - -

(Δ) (Π)
en, $\ddot{\alpha}$ mak - ing us a path that lead - eth un - to Heav-en: π q Him we glo -

ri - fy, e - qual in es-sence with the Fa - ther and with mor - tals. π
 q

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Third Ode

Νεῦσον πρὸς ὕμνους π
q

(Π) o Thy ser - - vants' hymns, in - cline, O Ben - e - fac -

(Δ) - tor; bring low the haugh-ty pride of thē ad - ver - sar - y, π
q O

Bless-ed One, that look - est down and se - est all; Δ (Δ) (Π) keep us a - bove sin,

who ev - er sing Thy prais - - es, π steady - fast and un - moved on the foun -

da - - tion of faith. π
q

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Fourth Ode

Γένους βροτείου

 π
q

n his song of old,  Proph - et Ab - ba - cum fore - told 
 of the res - to - ra-tion  of all the race of mor - tals,  hav - ing been
 vouch - safed  to see its type past all tell - - ing;  for as a
 young babe from the moun - tain of  the Vir - - gin  did the Word  come
 forth to re - fash - ion  the peo - ples. 

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Fifth Ode

'Εκ νυκτὸς ἔργων

π
q



(□)

s we now keep watch in_ the night to sing Thy prais - -

es as our Ben - e- fac - - - tor, O Christ, grant us for-give - - ness

of what we have done in be-night- - ed de - lu - - sion; come pro - vide

a path that is eas - y to jour - - ney, $\frac{\pi}{q}$ that we may as - cend up - on

| ˘ ˘ ˘ | ˘ ˘
it and find glo - - ry.

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Sixth Ode

Ναίων Ιωνᾶς π q



(Π) well - ing in the deeps_ of the sea's low - est re - -
gions,

Jo - nas prayed to come un - to Thee and calm the tem - - pest. π q But

I, that am pierced by the shaft_ of the ty - - rant, π q call on Thee,

O Christ, the A - bol - ish - er of e - - vil: π q come an - tic - i - pate

my sloth - ful - ness speed - - i - - ly. π q

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Seventh Ode

Τῷ παντάνακτος π
q



(Π)

or the King of all,^o long - ing held fast the chil - - dren, Δ
δ

π
q Who de - spised as nought the base un-god- ly bab - - blings of the ty -

Δ
δ rant who raged with fu - ry in - sen - sate; π
q and the bound-less fire then

gave way as they cried out π
q to the Sov - reign Lord: Bless - ed art

π
q

Thou to thē ag - es.

Second Canon

Eighth Ode

We praise, we bless, and we worship the Lord. *



Μήτραν ἀφλέκτως

 π

idst the flames un-burnt, the Old Cov- e- nant
chil- dren fig- ure forth the womb of the vir- gin- al

Maid- en, which, re- main- ing sealed, doth con- ceive be-yond na- -

ture. For in work- ing both by the same won- drous pow- er,

grace doth wise- ly

* Finale:

rouse the peo- ples un- to prais- es. *

** The verse "We praise, we bless, and we worship the Lord" is always chanted before the Katavasia of the eighth ode. When two Katavasias are chanted for each ode, (e.g., on December 25 and 31) this verse is chanted only before the first Katavasia of the eighth ode.