

Second (Iambic) Canon

First Ode

Ἦσώσε λαόν π ρ



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

ple ς of old _____ when He made _____ dry the sea's _____ swell - ing wa - -

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

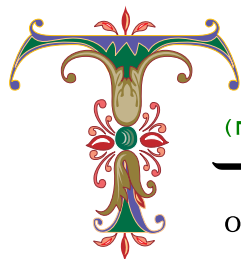
(Δ) (Π)
 en, ς mak - ing us a path that lead - eth un - to Heav - en: π ρ Him we glo -

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

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Third Ode

Νεῦσον πρὸς ὕμνους π
q



(Π) o Thy ser - - vants' _____ hymns, in - cline, O Ben - e - fac -
(Δ) Δ - tor; Δ bring low the haugh-ty pride of thē ad - ver - sar - y, π
q O
(Π) Bless-ed One, that look - est down and se - est all; Δ (Δ) keep us a - bove sin,
π
q who ev - er sing Thy prais - - es, π
q stead - fast and un-moved on the foun -
π
q 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 Δ
q

of the res - to - ra - tion__ of all the race of mor - tals, π
q hav - ing been

vouch - safed _____ to__ see its type past all tell - - ing; Δ
q for as a

(□) young babe from the moun - tain of__ the Vir - - gin π
q did the Word__ come

forth to re - fash - ion__ the peo - ples. π
q

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Fifth Ode

Ἐκ 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 π
q

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

a path that is eas - y__ to jour - - ney, π
q that we may as - cend up - on

it and__find glo - - ry. π
q

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Sixth Ode

Ναίων Ἰωνᾶς π
q

(□) well - ing in the deeps__ of__ the sea's low - est re - -

gions, Δ 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, Δ (Δ) call on Thee,

(□) O Christ, thē 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



(□) or the King of all, long - ing held fast the chil - - dren, Δ q

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

(Δ) (□) rant who raged with fu - ry in - sen - sate; Δ q and the bound-less fire then

gave way___ as they cried out π q to the Sov - 'reign Lord: Bless - ed___ art

Thou to thē ag - es. π q

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Eighth Ode

W^(Δ) e praise, we bless, and we wor - - ship the Lord. ^{**} ^Δ



Μήτραν ἀφλέκτως ^π ^q

^(Π) idst the flames un-burnt, the Old Cov - - - e - nant

chil - - dren ^Δ fig - ure forth the womb of the vir - - gin - al

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

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

grace doth wise - ly

* Finale:

^Δ rouse the peo - ples un - to prais - - es. ^(N) ⁴ ^(Π) ^π ^q

*** 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.*