

Friday of the Fourth Week of the Great Lent

THE FIRST EVENING PROKEIMENON

Deacon: Let us attend!

Priest: Peace be unto all!

Deacon: Wisdom!

Reader: **The Prokeimenon in the 4th Tone.** Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, Thou who leadest Joseph like a flock.

Choir: Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, Thou who leadest Joseph like a flock.

The musical score is written for four voices: Soprano, Alto, Tenor, and Bass. It is in the 4th Tone, indicated by the key signature of one flat (B-flat) and the 'Tone 4' label. The score is divided into two sections: 'Tone 4' and 'Common Chant'. The lyrics are: 'Give ear, O Shepherd of Is - ra - el, Thou who lead - - - est Jos - eph like a flock.' The 'Common Chant' section is marked with a 'C' and a 'C' in a circle. The score includes a variety of note values, including minims, crotchets, and quavers, and features a repeat sign at the end of the 'Common Chant' section.

Reader: Thou Who art enthroned upon the Cherubim, shine forth.

Choir: Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, Thou who leadest Joseph like a flock.

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Deacon: Wisdom!

Reader: **The Reading is from Genesis (Gen 12:1-7) (RSV)**

Deacon: Let us attend!

Reader: Now the LORD said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and him who curses you I will curse; and by you all the families of the earth shall bless themselves." So Abram went, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. And Abram took Sar'ai his wife, and Lot

his brother's son, and all their possessions which they had gathered, and the persons that they had gotten in Haran; and they set forth to go to the land of Canaan. When they had come to the land of Canaan, Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. Then the LORD appeared to Abram, and said, "To your descendants I will give this land." So he built there an altar to the LORD, who had appeared to him.

THE SECOND EVENING PROKEIMENON

Deacon: Wisdom!

Reader: **The Prokeimenon in the 4th Tone.** Rejoice in God, our Helper.

Choir: Rejoice in God, our Helper.

Common Chant

Tone 4

The musical notation is for a four-part setting of the Prokeimenon in the 4th tone. It consists of four staves: Soprano, Alto, Tenor, and Bass. The lyrics are 'Re-joice in God, our help - er.' The melody is written in a single system with a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a common time signature. The Soprano and Alto parts are in the treble clef, while the Tenor and Bass parts are in the bass clef. The lyrics are placed below the staves, with a dashed line indicating a breath or a pause in the melody. The word 'er.' is written as 'er.' with a hyphen before it, indicating it is part of a longer phrase.

Reader: Raise a song, sound the timbrel.

Choir: Rejoice in God, our Helper.

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Choir: Our Helper.

Deacon: Command!

Priest: *(Turning toward the people, who makes a prostration, he says:)*

Wisdom! Let us attend. The light of Christ illumines all.

Reader: **The Reading is from Proverbs** (Prov 12:23 – 13:9) (RSV)

Deacon: Let us attend!

Reader: The simple believes everything, but the prudent looks where he is going. A wise man is cautious and turns away from evil, but a fool throws off restraint and is careless. A man of quick temper acts foolishly, but a man of discretion is patient. The simple acquire folly, but the prudent are crowned with knowledge. The evil bow down before the good, the wicked at the gates of the righteous. The poor is disliked even by his neighbor, but the rich has many friends. He who despises his neighbor is a sinner, but happy is he who is kind to the poor. Do they not

err that devise evil? Those who devise good meet loyalty and faithfulness. In all toil there is profit, but mere talk tends only to want. The crown of the wise is their wisdom, but folly is the garland of fools. A truthful witness saves lives, but one who utters lies is a betrayer. In the fear of the LORD one has strong confidence, and his children will have a refuge.

Priest: Peace be to you. Wisdom.

The Royal doors are opened. The priest censes before the holy table.

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