

# KATAVASIA OF THE NATIVITY FROM THE IAMBIC CANON

## First Mode

Chanted instead of "It is Truly Right"  
on December 26<sup>th</sup>

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Andante ♩=80

**D**

Ma - gi and Shep - herds came  
Ma - γουι και ποι - με - νες  
Mah - yee keh - pee - meh - nes

to wor - ship the Mes - si - ah Who was  
ηλ - θον προ - σκυ - νη - σαι Χρι -  
eel - thon pro - skee - nee - seh Hree -

born in Beth - le - hem, the cit - - -  
στον τον γεν - νη - θεν - τα εν Βη - - - θλε -  
ston ton yeh - nee - then - dah en Veeth - leh -

y - of Da - - - vid.  
εμ - τη πο - - - λει  
em - tee - po - - - lee

**D**


Be - ing well con - tent, out of  
Στερ - γειν μεν η - - - μας ως α -  
Ster - yeen men ee - mas os ah -

**A**

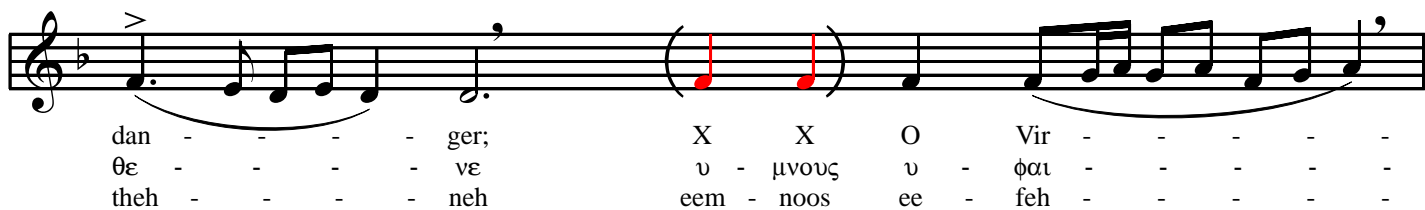
fear, to be si - - - lent would be  
κτιν - - - - δυ - von φο - - - βω ρα - ov  
keen - - - - dhee - non fo - - - vo rah - on

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G D Un. D



eas - i - er, since si - lence. hath no  
 σι - ω - πην τω πο - θω δε Παρ -  
 see - o - peen to po - tho dheh Par -



dan - ger; X X O Vir  
 θε - νε υ - μνους υ - φαι  
 theh neh eem noos ee feh




gin, it is hard to com - pose  
 νειν συν - το - νως τε - θηγ -  
 neen seen doh nos teh theeg

G D

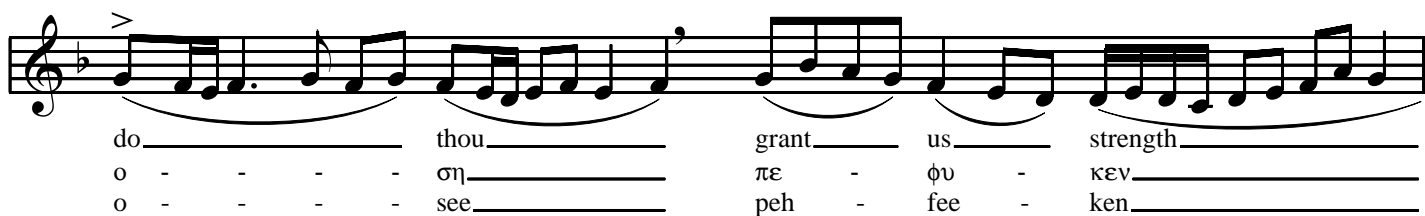


hymns with love X framed in har - mo - ny,  
 με - νους ερ - γω - δες ε - στιν  
 meh noos er go dhes eh steen

C D

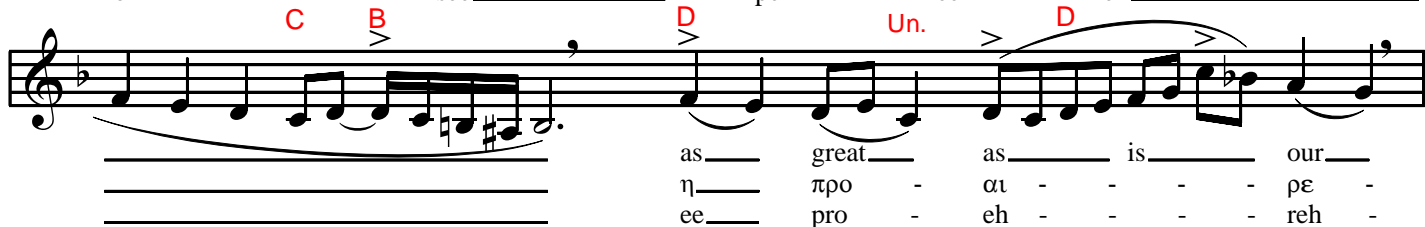


but we pray thee, O Moth - er:  
 αλ - λα και μη - τηρ σθε - νος  
 ah lah keh mee teer stheh nos



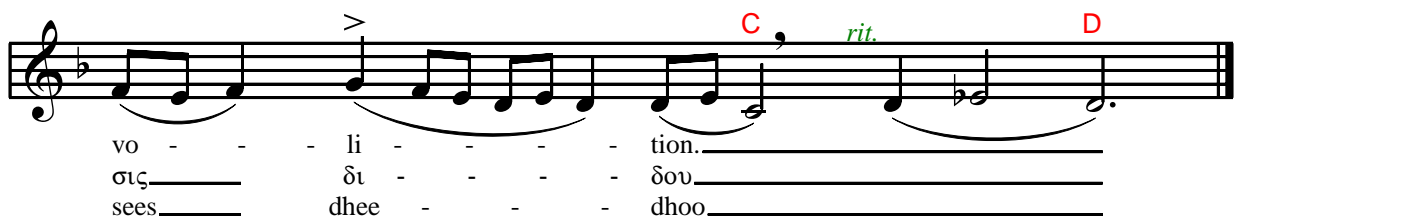
do thou grant us strength  
 ο - ση πε - φυ - κεν  
 o see peh fee ken

C B D Un. D



as great as is our  
 η προ - α - ρε  
 ee pro eh reh

C rit. D



vo - li - tion.  
 σις δι - δου  
 sees dhe dhoo