It is Truly Right

First Mode
adapted from Gregory the Protopsaltis (d. 1822)

It is truly right

to call you blest,

O The o to kos the ever blessed,

you who are most pure and all immaculate

and the Mother of our God,

More honorable than the Cherubim, and beyond
Be not drunk with wine, wherein is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord.

Eph: 5:18-19
It is Truly Right

First Mode (Heptaphonic)
adapted from Michael Hatziathanasiou (d. 1948)
the Professor of Music at the Theological School in Chalki

"Ἡχος Πα"
When you worship God with hymns, you should be worshipping Him with your entire being; your voice should sing; your heart should also sing; and your life should also sing. Everything should sing!

—Blessed Augustine
It is Truly Right

Second Mode
adapted from the ancient melody
according to the oral tradition of the Holy Mountain

Ό Χροσ Δι

O Theotokos, the ever blessèd, you who are most pure and all immaculate and the Mother of our God. More honorable than the Cherubim,
It is Truly Right - Second Mode - Ancient Melody

and beyond compare more
glorious than the Seraphim, who without corruption did give birth to God the Word, the very The -
o - to - kos, you do we magnify.
It is Truly Right

Second Mode "Deuteroprotos"
adapted from Peter Philanthidis,
Protopsaltis of Mt. Athos (1885-1915) and Kyzikos

'Hχος  Δικαιοσύνη

'Ἡχος Δικαιοσύνη

O Theotokos, the ever-blessed, you who are most pure and all immaculate

and the Mother of our God.

More honorable than the Cherubim,
My lips shall rejoice when I chant unto Thee,
yea, even my soul which Thou hast redeemed.

Psalm 70: 23
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Third Mode
adapted from Theodore Phokaeus (1790-1851)

"Ἡχῶς γ'. Γά

It is truly right to call you blest, O Theodore to-

kos, the ever blessed, you who

are most pure and all im-

maculate and the Moth-

er of our God. More hon-

orable than the Che-

rum, and beyond com-

pare more glorious than the Se-

phim, who_
It is Truly Right - Third Mode (Enharmonic) - Phokaeus

without corruption did give birth to God the Word, the very Theos, you do we magnify.

birth to God the Word, the very Theos, you do we magnify.
It is Truly Right

Third Mode
adapted from Gregory Levitis the Protopsaltis (1777-1822)

ο Ἑμὶς Ἰαν Μη

It is truly right to call you blest, O Theotokos, the ever blessed, you who are most pure and all immaculate and the Mother of our God. More honorable than the Cherubim, and beyond compare more glorious than the Seraphim,
At all times, but most of all while chanting,
let us be still and undistracted.
For through distractions,
the demons aim to
ruin our prayer.

—St. John of the Ladder
It is Truly Right

Fourth Mode "Legetos"
adapted from Gregory Levitis the Protopsaltis (1777-1822)

It is truly right to call you blest, O Theotorkos, the ever blessed, you who are most pure and all immaculate
and the Mother of our God. More honorable than the Cherubim, and beyond compare more glorious than the Seraphim, who without corruption did give birth to God
the_____ Word,_________________ the___ ver- - - - y The- o- to-
- - - - kos,_____ you_________ do___ we___ mag- - - - -
ni- - - - fy.____________________________
It is Truly Right

Fourth Mode
adapted from Gregory Levitis the Protopsaltis (1777-1822)

I't is truly right to call you blest, O The- o-
to- kos, the ever blessed, you who are most pure
and all im- mac- u- late and the Moth- er of our_
_________ God. More hon- 'ra- ble than the Che- ru- - bim_,
and be- yond com- pare more glo- rious than_
the Se- ra- phim, who with- out cor- rup-
- tion did give birth to God the________
The "Axion Estin" was chanted for the first time in 980 A.D. by the Archangel Gabriel in front of this icon.
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Plagal First Mode
The Patriarchal Melody

adapted from Constantine Pringos (1892-1964)
the Presiding Protopsaltis of the Patriarchate of Constantinople (1939-1960)

"It is truly right to call you blest, O Theotokos ever blesséd, you who are most pure and all immaculate, and the Mother of our God."

"More honourable than the Cherubim."
It is Truly Right - Plagal First Mode "Patriarchal" - Prinos

*Alternate Ending:

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Plagal First Mode (Phrygian)
by Michael Hatzianastasiou (d. 1948)

'It is truly right to call you blest
O Theotokos the ever blessed,
you who are most pure and all immaculate
late and the Mother of our God.
More honorable than the Cherubim,
and beyond compare more glorious than the
Sing to God in love and humility of spirit,
for the Lord rejoiceth therein.

—St. Silouan the Athonite
It is Truly Right

Plagal Second Mode
adapted from Theodore Papaparaschou "Phokaeus" (1790-1851)

"Ἡχός Αι. εἰς Πα"
who did give birth to God the Word, the very kos, you do we magnify.
It is Truly Right

Plagal Second Mode
adapted from an anonymous composition

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It is truly right to call thee ever blessed, O Theotokos, who are most pure and all immaculate and the Mother of our God. More hon-
It is Truly Right  -  Plagal Second Mode  -  Anonymous   

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It is Truly Right  -  Plagal Second Mode  -  Anonymous

'It is Truly Right  -  Plagal Second Mode  - Anonymous

* Alternate Ending:
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Grave Mode (Diatonic)
adapted from Theodore Papaparaschou "Phokaeus" (1790-1851)

"Ηχός βαπός — Zω " Γ 80

It is truly right to call thee blessed, who are most pure and all immaculate, and the Mother of our God. More honorable than the Cherubim, and beyond compare more glorious..."
Our psalmody should be angelic,
not unspiritual and secular.
For to psalmodize with clamour
and a loud voice is a sign of inner turbulence.

—St. Gregory of Sinai
It is Truly Right

Grave Mode (Enharmonic)
adapted from Theodore Papaparaschou "Phokaeus" (1790-1851)

It is truly right to call you blest, who are most pure and all immaculate and the Mother of our God. More honorable than the Chem. and beyond compare more glorious
ous than the Se - ra - phim, who with - out cor - rup - tion did give birth to

God the Word, the ver - y The-o - to -
kos, you do we mag - ni - fy.

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It is Truly Right

Plagal Fourth Mode
adapted from Anastasios from Parla of Pisidia

Theotokos, the ever-blessed,
you who are most pure and all immaculate
and the Mother of our God.

More honorable than the Cherubim,
and beyond compare.
more glorious than the Seraphim, who without corruption did give birth to God the Word, the ver... The o...kos, you do we magnify.

**H Panagia**
"Портаїтісса"

**The Panagia**
"Portaitissa"

This miracle-working icon of the Panagia on the Holy Mountain bled when it was stabbed in the neck.
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Plagal Fourth Mode
adapted from Haralambos Papanikolaou (d. 1929)
the Protopsaltis of Kavala

O Theotokos, the ever-blessed, you
who are most pure and all immaculate
and the Mother...
More honorable than the Che-ru-bim, and beyond compare more glorious than the Seraphim, who without corruption did give birth to God the Word, the very Kos, you do we magnify.__________

* Alternate ending: