

BRIEF STICHERA

Plagal First Mode

Verse #1

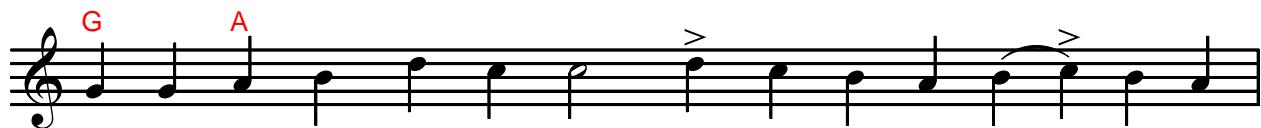
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Bring my soul out of pris-on that I ____ may con - fess Thy Name.

Stichera #1

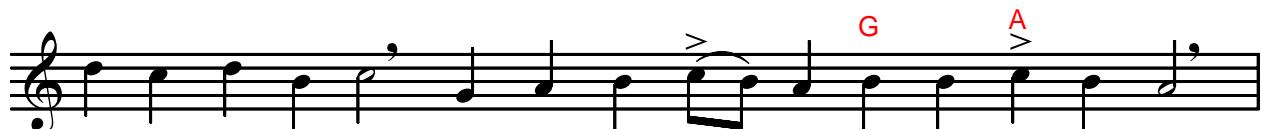
Διὰ τοῦ τιμίου σου Σταυροῦ



By Thy pre - cious Cross, O Christ, Thou hast put the dev - il to



shame; and by Thy Res - ur - rec - tion, Thou hast blunt -



ed the sting of sin; and Thou hast saved us from the gates of death.

Un.



We glo - ri - fy Thee, O On - ly - be - got - ten__ One.

Verse #2

'Εμὲ ὑπομενοῦσι



The right-eous shall wait pa-tient-ly for me un-til Thou shalt re-ward me.

Stichera #2

'Ο τὴν ἀνάστασιν



He that grant - ed the Res - ur - rec - tion un - to the race of



man was led as a sheep to slaugh - ter; the prin - ces of



Ha - des were ter - ri - fied of Him, and the griev - ous gates were



lift - ed up; for Christ, the King of Glo - ry, hath en - tered,



say - ing_ to those in bonds: Go forth; and to those in dark -



ness: Re - veal— your - selves.

Verse #3

'Εκ βαθέων



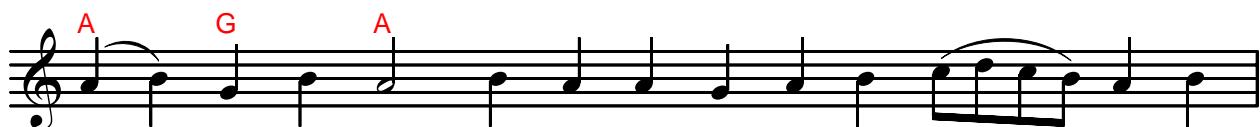
Out of the depths have I cried un - to Thee, O Lord; O Lord,—



hear my voice.

Stichera #3

Μέγα θαῦμα



O— great won - der! hav - ing suf - fered in the flesh— out of



love for man, the Cre - a - tor of things in - vis - i - ble,



the Im - mor - tal One, hath ris - en. Come,— O ye kin - dreds

of the na - tions, let us wor - ship Him; for de - liv - ered from
 er - ror by His com - pas - sion, we have learned to praise the
 one— God in three Hy - pos - ta - - ses.

Verse #4

Γενηθήτω τὰ ὁτα σου

Let Thine ears be at - ten - tive to the voice of my sup - pli - ca - tion.

Stichera #4

Ἐσπερινὴν προσκύνησιν

Eve - ning wor - ship do we of - fer Thee, — the Un - wan - ing Light,
 Who in the end of the ag - es, through the flesh as in a

mir - ror, hast shined up - on the world; and hast de-scend-ed e - ven
 un - to Ha - des, and dis-pelled the dark - ness there, and hast
 shown the light— of the Res - ur - rec - tion un - to the na -
 tions. O Giv - er of light,— Lord,— glo - ry be to Thee.

Verse #5

'Εὰν ἀνομίας

If Thou should-est mark in - iq - ui - ties, O Lord, O Lord, who shall stand?
 For with Thee there is for - give - ness.

Stichera #5

Τὸν ἀρχηγὸν τῆς σωτηρίας



Let us glo - ri - fy Christ, the Au - thor of our sal - va - tion;



for when He a - rose_ from the dead,_ the_ world was saved from



er - ror. The choir of the An - gels re - joic - eth;



the de - cep - tion of the de - mons doth flee; Ad - am, who was



fall - en, is ris - en; the dev - il is de - stroyed.

Verse #6

Ἐνεκεν τοῦ ὀνόματός σου



For Thy Name's sake have I pa-tient-ly wait-ed for Thee, O Lord; my

soul hath wait-ed pa-tient-ly for Thy word, my soul hath
hoped in the Lord.

Stichera #6

Οἱ τῆς κουστωδίας

Un. > A >

The guards were in-struct-ed by the law - less: Con-ceal the
Res - ur - rec - tion of Christ; and take ye piec - es of
sil - ver, and say: While we were sleep - ing, the corpse was
sto - len from the tomb. Who hath seen, who hath ev - er heard,
of a corpse be - ing sto - len? es - pe - cial - ly

one a - noint - ed with myrrh and na - ked, with the fu - ner -

al shrouds be - ing a - ban-doned in the grave. Be not de - ceived,-

O ye Jews. Learn the say - ings of the Proph - ets, and

know that He is tru - ly the Re-deem - er of the world and the Al -

might - y— One.

Verse #7

'Απὸ φυλακῆς πρωΐας

From the morn - ing watch un - til night, from the morn - ing watch

let Is - ra - el hope_ in the Lord.

Stichera #7

Κύριε ὁ τὸν ἄδην

O Lord, Who hast de-spoil-ed Ha-des and hast tram-pled
up-on death; O our Sav-iour, Who hast en-light-ened the
world-by Thy pre-cious Cross; have mer-cy on us.

Verse #8

"Οτι παρὰ τῷ Κυρίῳ

For with the Lord there is mer-cy, and with Him is plen-te-ous re-
demp-tion; and He shall re-deem Is-ra-el out of all__
his in-iq-ui-ties.

Verse #9

Αἰνεῖτε τὸν Κύριον

Un. A > > G A

O praise the Lord, all ye na-tions; praise Him, all ye peo - ples.

Verse #10

”Οτι ἐκραταιώθη

Un. A > > G A

For He hath made His mer-cy to pre-vail o-ver us, and the truth

G A

of the Lord a - bid - eth for ev - er.

Glory...

Δόξα Πατρί

Un. A G

Glo - ry to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the

A G

Ho - ly Spir - it.

Both now...

Καὶ νῦν

Both now and ev - er, and un - to the ag - es of ag - -

es. A - men.

Dogmatic Theotokion

'Ἐν τῇ Ἐρυθρᾷ Θαλάσσῃ

In the Red Sea there was once de - pict - ed an im -

age of the un - wed - ded Bride. There, Mos - es di - vid - ed

the wa - ter; here, Ga - bri - el doth min - is - ter the won -

der. Then the deep was trod - den dry - shod by Is - ra - el;

now Christ is born seed - less - ly of the Vir - gin. The

sea, af - ter the pas - sage of Is - ra - el, re-mained un - trod -

den; the blame-less one, af - ter the birth of Em - man - u -

el, re - mained un - de - filed. O Thou Who art, and ev -

er be - fore didst ex - ist, and hast ap-peared as man, O

God: have mer - cy on us.

Let the servant of God sing in such a manner that the words of the text rather than the voice of the singer cause delight.

-St. Jerome