**Aposticha #1**

H Ανάστασίς σου

Resurrection, O Christ Saviour, hath enlightened the whole world; and Thou hast restored Thine own creature. O Almighty Lord, glory be to Thee.
Verse #2

The Lord is king; He is clothed with majesty. The Lord is clothed with strength and He hath girt Him-self.

Aposticha #2

By the Tree, O Saviour, Thou didst abolish the curse of the tree; by Thy burial, Thou hast slain the might of death; and Thou hast enlightened our race by Thine arising. Wherefore, we cry out to Thee: O Life-giving Christ our God, glory be to Thee.
Verse #3

Καὶ γὰρ ἐστερέωσε

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or He es-tab-lished the world which shall not be shak-en.

Aposticha #3

Ἐν τῷ Σταυρῷ Χριστὲ

hen Thou wast seen nailed up - on the Cross, O Christ, Thou didst change the beau-ty of cre-a-ted things. And the sol-diers, show-ing their in-hu-man-i-ty, pierced Thy side with a spear. And the Jews____ sought to seal Thy tomb, be-ing ig-no-rant of Thy pow-er. But, Thou Who by the mer-cy of Thy com-pas-sions didst ac-cept bur-i-al and didst a-rise on the third__day, Lord, glo-ry be to Thee.

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Verse #4

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Thy

house,

O

Lord,

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Aposticha #4

Ζωοδότα Χριστέ

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Glory...

Δόξα Πατρί

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

Both now...

Καὶ νῦν

Both now and ever, and unto the ages of ages. Amen.

Aposticha Theotokion

Ο θαύματος καινοῦ

new wonder, surpassing all the ancient wonders!

For who hath known of a mother without husband giving birth,

and carrying in her arms Him that embraceth all creation?
He that is born is of God's will. In that thou carriest Him in Thine arms as a babe, O all-pure one, and hast boldness towards Him as His Mother, cease not from entreat- ing Him in behalf of them that honour thee, that He have pity and save our souls.

We believe that God is present everywhere and that "the eyes of the Lord look upon good men and evil in every place"; but we must believe without a shadow of doubt that this is especially so when we assist at the Divine Office. Therefore, let us always be mindful of what the prophet says: "Serve the Lord in fear"; and again, "Sing psalms wisely"; and, "I will sing to Thee in the sight of the angels." Hence we must consider how we are to behave ourselves in the sight of the Divinity and of His angels, and let us so stand to sing, that our mind may be in harmony with our voice.

—Rule XIX of St. Benedict (d. ca. 547)