Brief Stichera

Plagal Second Mode

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Verse #1

Εξάγαγε εκ φυλακής

Bring my soul out of prison that I may confess Thy Name.

Stichera #1

Νίκην Ἑχον

on-quering Ha-des, O Christ, Thou didst ascend the Cross, that with Thy self Thou might-est raise them that sat in the dark-ness of death,

O Thou Who art free a-mong the dead. Thou Who dost pour forth life from Thine own light,

omnipotent Saviour, have mercy on us.
Verse #2

The righteous shall wait patiently for me until Thou shalt reward me.

Stichera #2

Having trampled on death, Christ is risen to-day, as He said, and hath granted joy unto the world; that while crying out, we all may thus chant the hymn: O Well-spring of life, O Unapproachable Light, O omnipotent Saviour, have mercy on us.
Verse #3

Out of the depths have I cried unto Thee, O Lord; O Lord, hear___ my voice.

Stichera #3

From Thee, O Lord, Who art in all creation, whither shall we sinners flee? To Heaven? but Thou Thyself dwell-est there. To Hades? but Thou hast tram-pled on death. To the depths____ of the sea?

but Thy hand is there,___ O Mas-ter. Un-to Thee____ do we flee for refuge; fall-ing down____ be-fore Thee, we make_ en- trea-ty: Thou

Who didst rise from the dead, have mer-cy on us.
Verse #4

Let Thine ears be attentive to the voice of my supplication.

Stichera #4

In Thy Cross, O Christ, do we boast, and Thy Resurrection do we praise and glorify; for Thou art our God; beside Thee we know none other.
Verse #5

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

Stichera #5

Ver-er bless-ing the Lord, we praise His Res-ur-rec-tion; for He en-dured the Cross, and by death de-stroyed death.
Verse #6

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"Ενεκεν τοῦ ὄνοματός σου

For Thy Name’s sake have I patiently waited for Thee, O Lord; my soul hath waited patiently for Thy word, my soul hath hoped in the Lord.

Stichera #6

Δόξα τῇ δυνάμει σου

Dovxa th'/ dunavmei sou

Lo - ry to Thy might, O Lord; for Thou hast destroyed him that had the dom-ion of death. Thou hast re-newed us by Thy Cross,

grant-ing us life and in - cor - rup-tion.
Verse #7

Ἀπὸ φυλακῆς προῖας

From the morning watch until night, from the morning watch let Israel hope in the Lord.

Stichera #7

Ἡ ταφή σου

Holy, O Lord, rend the bonds of Hades, and crushed them. Thy resurrection from the dead enlightened the world. Lord, glory be to Thee.

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Verse #8

"Οτι παρα τω Κυριω

or with the Lord there is mercy, and with Him is plentiful redemption; and He shall redeem Israel out of all his iniquities.

Verse #9

Αιειτε των Κυριων

praise the Lord, all ye nations; praise Him, all ye peoples.

Verse #10

"Οτι εκραταιωθη

or He hath made His mercy to prevail over us, and the truth of the Lord abideth for ever.
Glory...

Δόξα Πατρί

Both now...

Καὶ νῦν

Dogmatic Theotokion

Τὶς μὴ μακαρίσει σὲ
forth from thee, the pure one, having become ineffably incarnate, being God by nature and becoming man by nature for our sake; not that He was divided into two persons,

but that He is known in two unmingled natures. Him do thou beseech, O august and all-blessed one, to have mercy on our souls.

Just as swine run to a place where there is mire

and bees dwell where there are fragrances and incense,

likewise demons gather where there are carnal songs and the grace of the Holy Spirit settles where there are spiritual melodies, sanctifying both mouth and soul.

—St. John Chrysostom