

# Stichera Aposticha\*

Afterfeast of the Theophany - January 11

Tone 4  
Sticheron 1

Kievan Chant Melody  
Model: "You have given a sign"

Soprano  
Alto

Tenor  
Bass

The Lord — said to the Fore-run-ner: "Be-hold, how  
else can I wear your im - age, the image that  
I My - self — have formed? — I must humble Myself  
in a manner be - yond un - der - stand - ing: Why is

[this so strange, ...]

\*If this day falls on a Sunday, these stichera are sung at the Litya.

this so strange, — O My friend? If I bow My

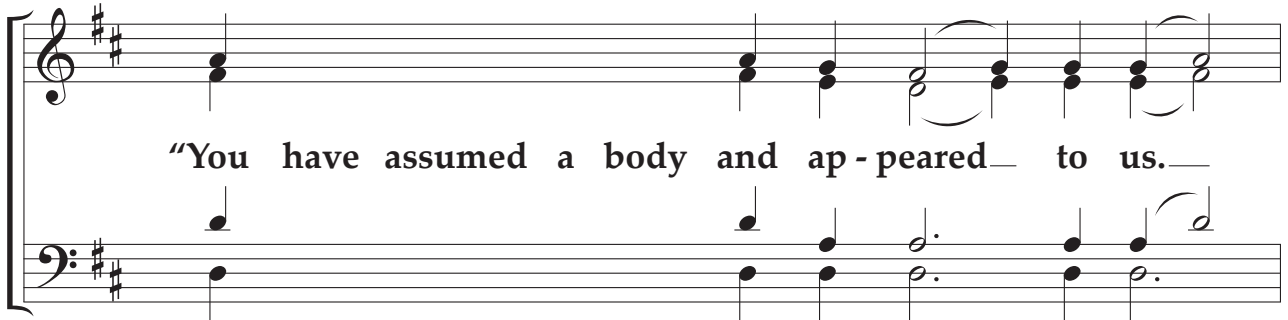
head be - neath — your hand, — as one of your fel - low

men, — and have the wa - ters cov - er My na - ked - ness,

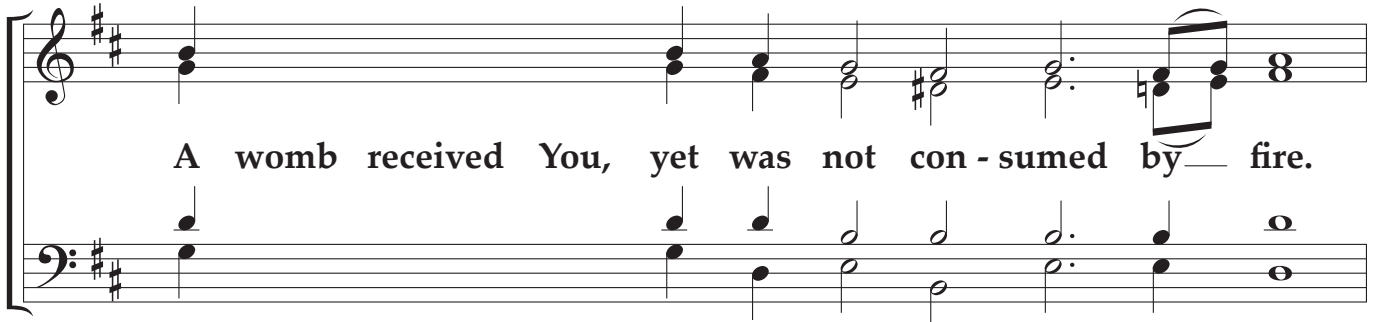
I shall ac - com - plish My will. — // In My compassion

I shall clothe the naked with im - mor - tal - i - ty."

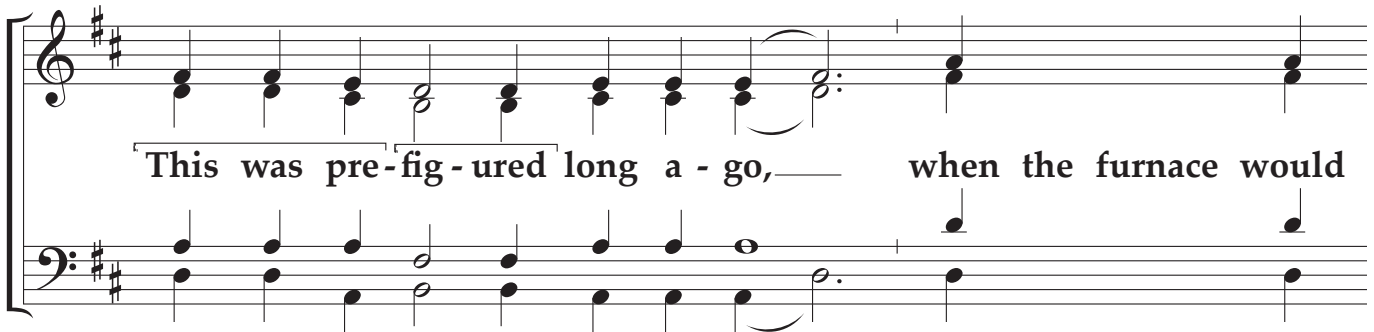
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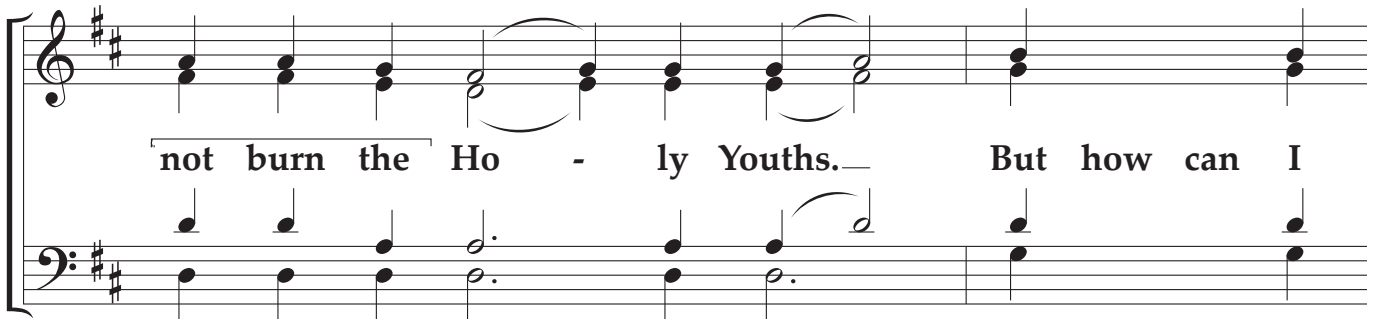
"You have assumed a body and ap-peared to us.



A womb received You, yet was not con-sumed by fire.



This was pre-fig-ured long a-go, when the furnace would



not burn the Ho-ly Youths. But how can I

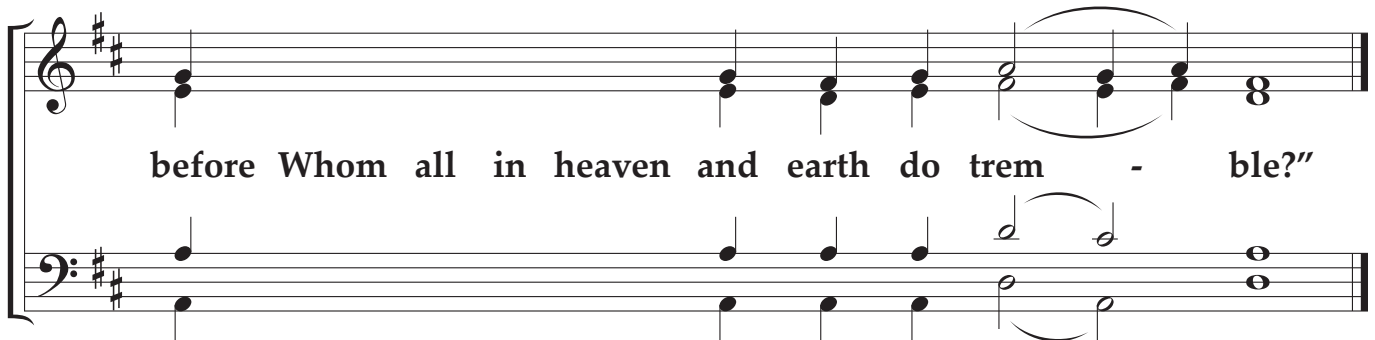


who am on-ly grass touch Fire with my hand,

[O Jesus Almighty ...]



O Jesus Almighty, the Sav - ior of our souls, — //



before Whom all in heaven and earth do trem - ble?"

Sticheron 3



The Lord said: "Wash Me in the



wa - ters of Jor - dan, even though I have no



man - ner of stain at all. Thus, human nature,

[which has been defiled . . . ]

which has been defiled by Ad - am's trans - gres - sion,

will be washed clean and be made new a - gain,

for, by My baptism, regeneration is grant - ed to

all man - kind, // through wa - ter and the Spir - it."