

# Pre-Festal Theotokion at "Lord, I Call"

*St Nicholas the Wonderworker, Archbishop of Myra in Lycia - December 6*

*vs. Now and ever, and unto ages of ages, Amen.*

Russian Imperial Court Chant  
arr. from L'vov/Bakhmetev

Tone 6

Soprano  
Alto

O cave, make ready, for the Ewe Lamb comes, bearing

Tenor  
Bass

Christ in her womb! O manger, receive Him Who by a word

has released the dwellers of earth from law - less - ness!

You shepherds, abiding in the fields, bear witness to the fearful

[ won-der! ]

won - der, And you magi from Persia, offer to the

King gold, myrrh, and frank - in - cense, for the Lord has

appeared from a Virgin Moth - er! And she, bending over Him

as a hand - maid - en, worshipped Him as He lay in her arms,

say - ing to Him: "How wast Thou sown as seed in me?"

[How hast Thou grown...]

How hast Thou grown with - in me, // O my De - liv -

er - er and my God?"