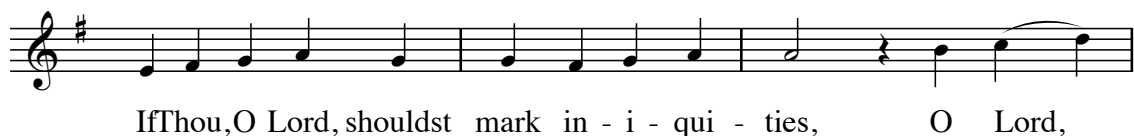
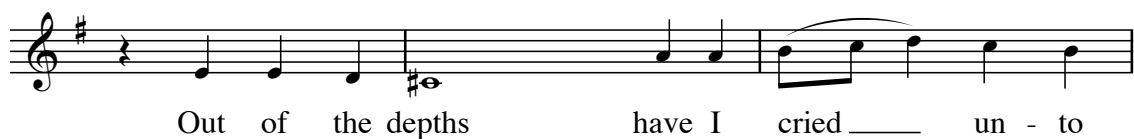
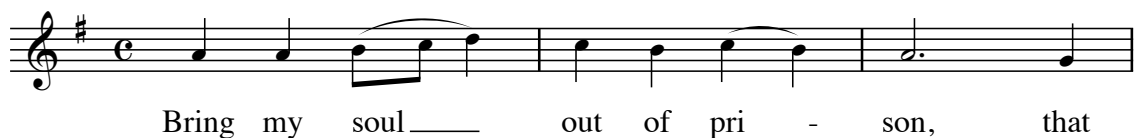
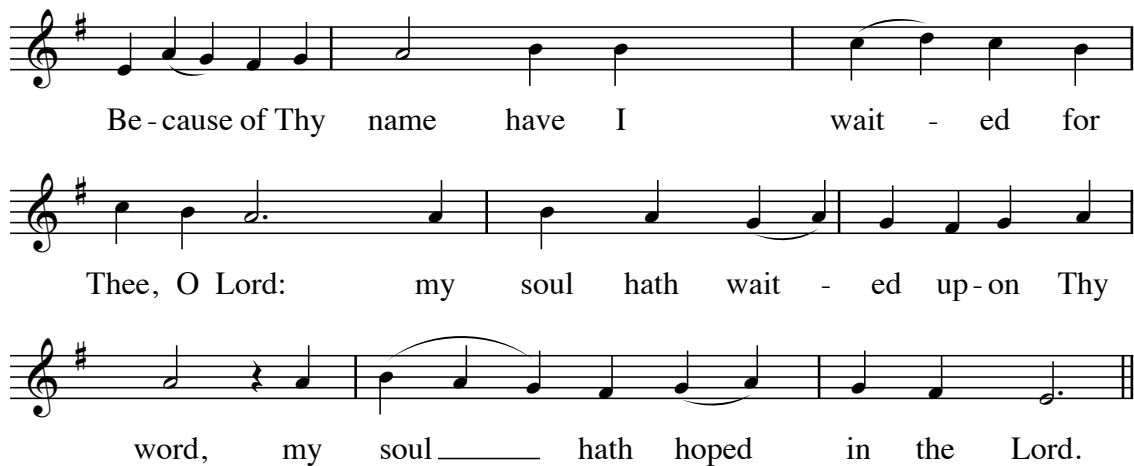


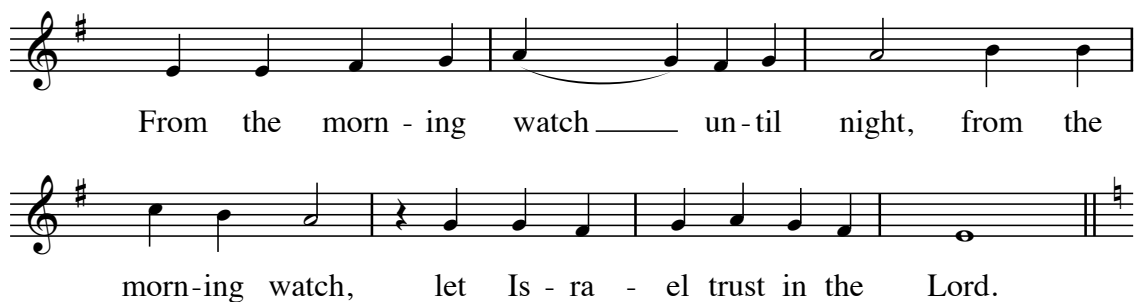
Stichera and Verses for Entrance of the Lord (Tone 1)



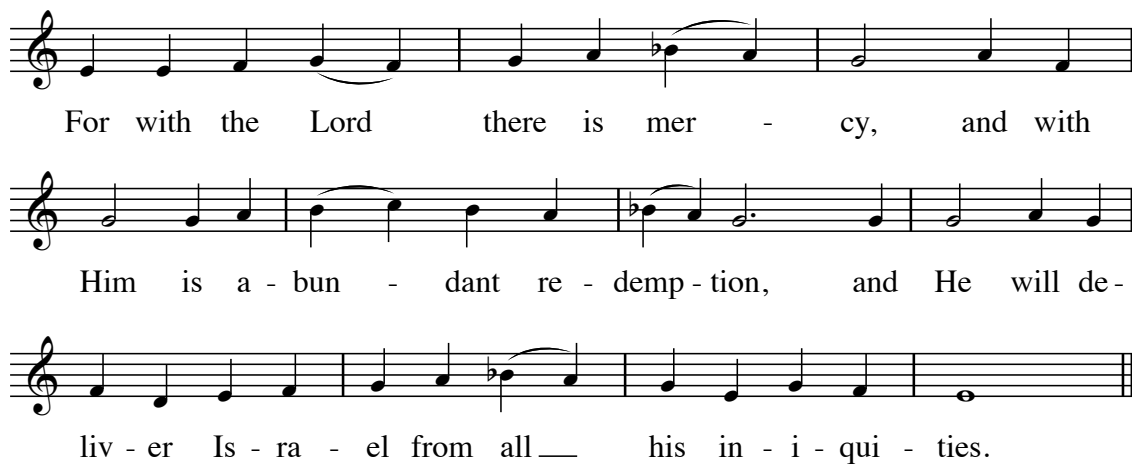
Say, O Simeon, Whom carriest thou in the Temple in thine arms with rejoicing? Towards Whom dost thou cry, shouting, Now I have been let to depart; for I have beheld my Savior. This is He born of the Virgin. This is the Word, God of God, Who wast incarnate for our sakes, and saved man. Him let us worship.



(Repeat Sticheron One.)



Receive, O Simeon, Him Whom Moses foresaw on Sinai below the clouds laying down the law, becoming a child, and obeying the law. He it is Who uttereth the law. He it is Who wast symbolized by the Prophets, Who hath become incarnate for our sakes and saved man. Him let us worship.



For with the Lord there is mer - cy, and with
Him is a - bun - dant re - demp - tion, and He will de -
liv - er Is - ra - el from all his in - i - qui - ties.

(Repeat Sticheron Two.)



Praise the Lord, all ye na - tions praise Him, all ye peo - ple.

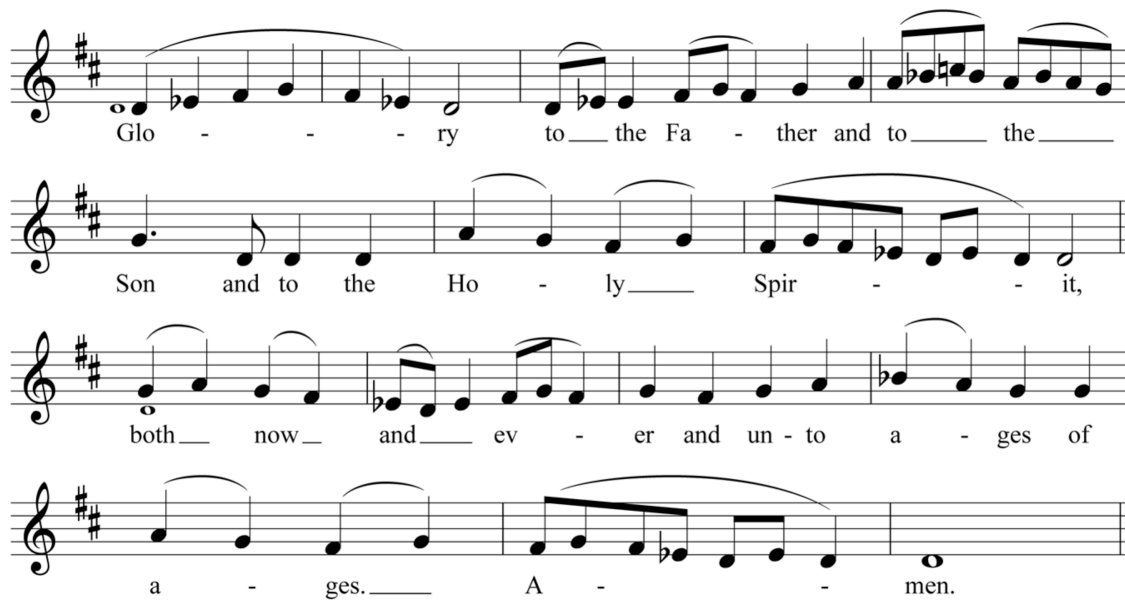
Come, let us also welcome Christ and receive Him with divine songs of praise, Whose salvation Simeon saw, of Whom David speaketh. He it is Who spake through the Prophets, Who is incarnate for our sakes, and speaketh in the law. Him let us worship.



For His mer - cy is great toward us
and the truth of the Lord en - dur - eth for - ev - er.

(Repeat Sticheron Three.)

(Tone Six)



Today let the gate of heaven be opened; for the Word of the Father Who is without beginning, having taken a beginning in time, not separating from His Godhead, is offered by His own will, by a Virgin Mother as a child forty days old in the Mosaic Temple; and the priest, His servant, receiveth Him in his arms, crying with joy, Now lettest thou me depart, for mine eyes have beheld Thy salvation. Wherefore, O Thou Who didst come into the world to save mankind, O Lord, glory to Thee.