

Doxastichon at the Aposticha

Meeting of Our Lord - February 2

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Tone 8

by Andrew of Crete

Kievan Chant
arr. from B. Ledkovsky

Soprano
Alto

He Who is borne on high by the Cher - u - bim and praised in

Tenor
Bass

Detailed description: This block contains the first line of the doxastichon. It features four staves: two for Soprano and Alto (top two) and two for Tenor and Bass (bottom two). The music is in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are: "He Who is borne on high by the Cher - u - bim and praised in". The vocal parts are written in a style typical of Orthodox chant, with notes often beamed together and some notes having a fermata-like quality.

hymns by the Ser - a - phim is brought today according to the Law

Detailed description: This block contains the second line of the doxastichon. It features two staves for Soprano and Alto. The lyrics are: "hymns by the Ser - a - phim is brought today according to the Law". The musical notation continues with similar rhythmic patterns as the first line.

in - to the ho - ly Tem - ple and rests in the arms of the Eld - er

Detailed description: This block contains the third line of the doxastichon. It features two staves for Soprano and Alto. The lyrics are: "in - to the ho - ly Tem - ple and rests in the arms of the Eld - er". The musical notation continues with similar rhythmic patterns.

as on a throne. From Jo - seph He re - ceives gifts fit - ting for God:

Detailed description: This block contains the fourth line of the doxastichon. It features two staves for Soprano and Alto. The lyrics are: "as on a throne. From Jo - seph He re - ceives gifts fit - ting for God:". The musical notation concludes the piece with a final cadence.

a pair of doves, a sym - bol of the spot - less Church and of the

newly chosen people of the Gen - tiles, and two young pig - eons,

for He is the originator of the two Cov - e-nants, both Old and New.

Simeon, now granted the fulfillment of the prophesies concern - ing him-self,

bles-ses the Virgin and Theoto - kos Mar - y. He fore-tells

in fig - ures the Pas - sion of her Son. From Him he begs release, cry - ing

a - loud: "Now, Master, let me de - part as You have prom - ised me,

for I have seen the pre - e - ter - nal Light // and the Lord and Savior

of the people who bear the name of Christ!"