


SUNDAY OF THE ANCESTORS OF CHRIST

(SUNDAY BEFORE THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD)

Troparion - Tone 2

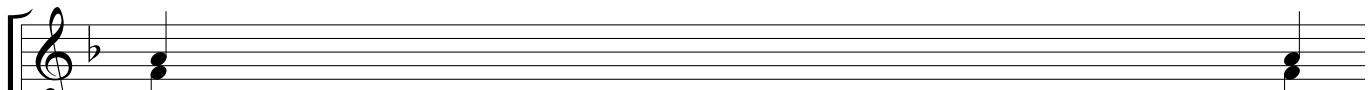
Russian Imperial Chapel Chant
arr. from Lvov/Bakhmetev

Soprano
Alto


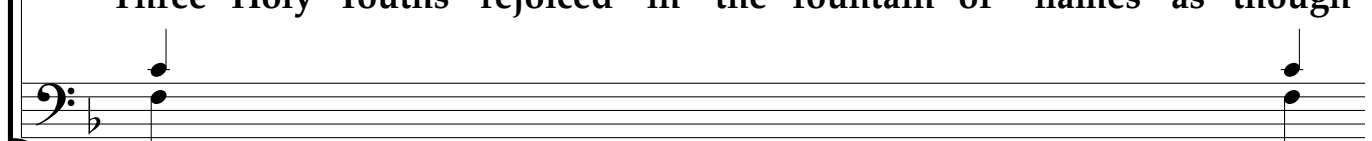


Tenor
Bass


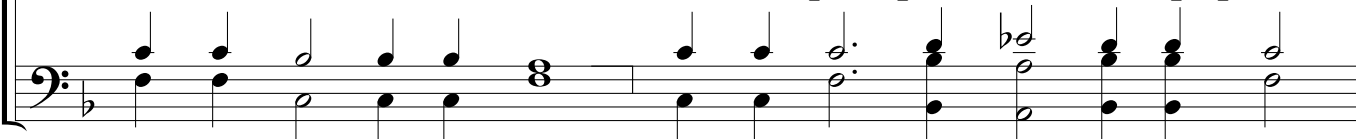
Great are the ac - com - plish - ments of faith, for the





Three Holy Youths rejoiced in the fountain of flames as though



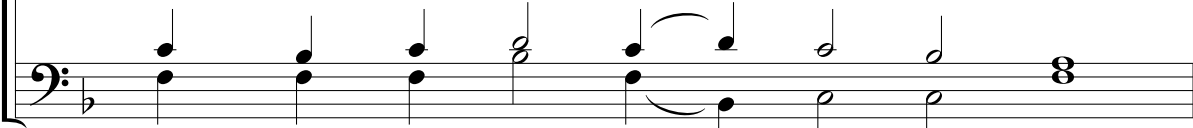
in the wa - ters of rest; and the pro - phet Dan - iel ap - peared,



a shepherd to the lions as though they were sheep. // So by



their prayers, O Christ God, save our souls!



PRE-FEAST OF THE NATIVITY OF CHRIST

Troparion - Tone 4

Russian Imperial Court Chant
arr. from Lvov/Bakhmetev

Soprano
Alto

Tenor
Bass

Prepare, O Bethlehem, for Eden has been o - pened

to all! Adorn thyself, O Ephratha, for the tree of life

blossoms forth from the Vir - gin in the cave! Her womb is

a spiritual paradise planted with the Di - vine_ Fruit: if we

eat of it, we shall live forever and not die like Ad - am. //

Christ comes to restore the image which He made in the

The first system of music consists of two staves, a treble clef on top and a bass clef on the bottom. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The melody is written in a simple, homophonic style. The lyrics are: "Christ comes to restore the image which He made in the".

be - gin - ning!

The second system of music continues the melody from the first system. It also consists of two staves, treble and bass clef, in the same key signature. The melody is: "be - gin - ning!".

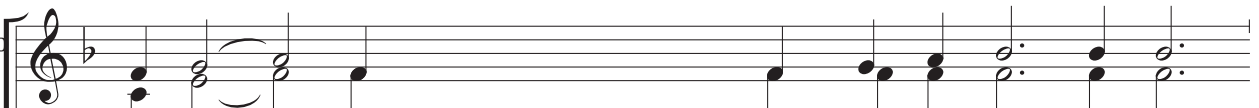
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Kontakion - Tone 1

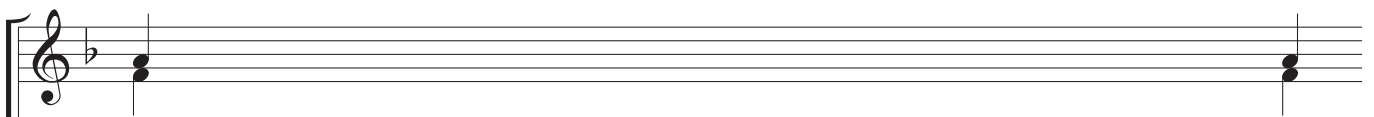
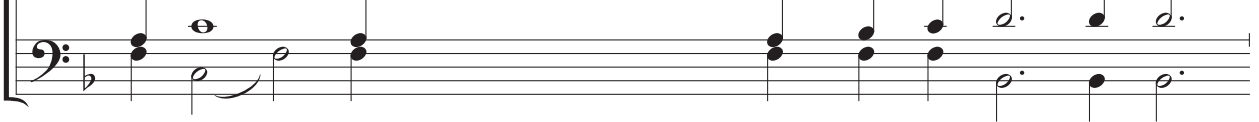
Russian Imperial Court Chant
arr. from Lvov/Bakhmetev

Soprano
Alto


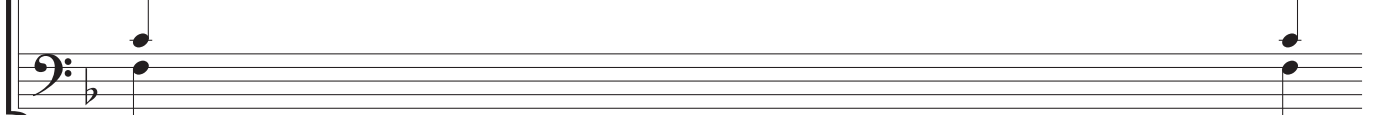


Re-joyce, O Bethlehem! Prepare thy - self, O Eph - ra - tha!

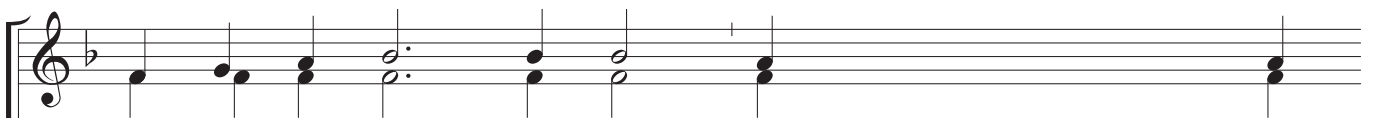
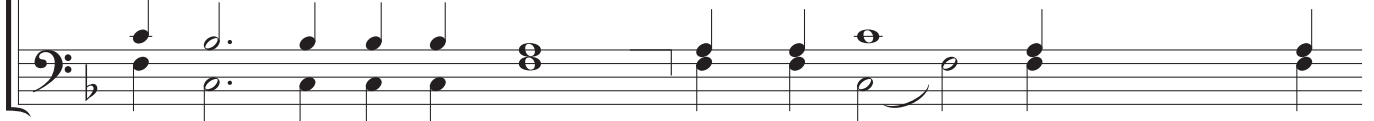
Tenor
Bass



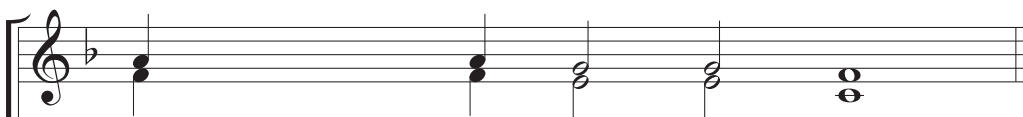
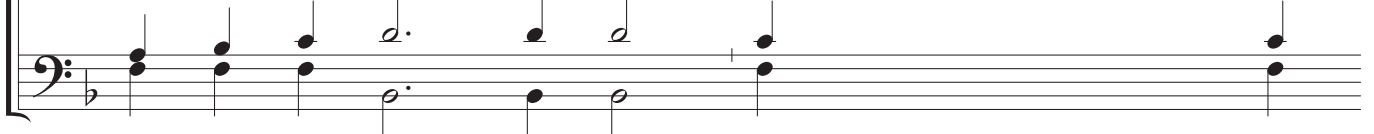
The Lamb is on her way to give birth to the Chief Shepherd



she car - ries in her womb. The God - bear - ing forefathers will



re - joyce, be - hold - ing Him, // and with the shepherds, they



will glorify the Virgin nurs - ing Him.



PRE-FEAST OF THE NATIVITY OF CHRIST

Kontakion - Tone 3

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

Soprano
Alto

To-day the Vir - gin comes to the cave to give birth

Tenor
Bass

to the E - ter - nal Word. Hear the glad tidings and

re - joice, O u - ni - verse! Glorify with the angels and

the shep - herds // the Eternal God, who is willing to

ap - pear as a lit - tle child!