

# HYMNS FOR THE ORTHODOX LITURGY

## RESURRECTIONAL MATINS PROKEIMENA

(FROM THE SUNDAY OCTOECHOS)

Under the directorship of M. Balakirev and N. Rimsky-Korsakov (1883-1894) the Imperial Court Chapel in St. Petersburg began to pursue the restoration of ancient Russian chants to their original unabridged forms. One result of this work was the publication in 1904 of *Penie pri Vsenoshchnom Bdenii drevnikh napevov* [The Hymns of the All-Night Vigil According to Ancient Chants], in which the chant melodies were rendered in four-part harmonizations, but with their original modal character preserved.

The *Resurrectional Prokeimena* at Matins from this collection have been transposed and rearranged in close harmony in the present edition, making them suitable for a small choir. The *znamenny* chant melody always appears in the soprano voice.

*Performance Note:* To perform these prokeimena with a large choir the soprano part must be transposed up a fourth, the bass part-down a fifth, and the tenor and alto parts-interchanged and transposed accordingly (the tenor up a fourth and the alto down a fifth). The tenor and soprano parts may also be doubled.

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ANONYMOUS  
Harmonization of  
Znamenny Chant

TONE 1 Psalm 11: 6\*

Soprano  
Alto

Tenor  
Bass

"I WILL NOW A - RISE," SAYS THE LORD "I WILL SET MY -

- SELF FOR SAL - VA TION AND NOT DRAWBACK FROM IT."

LET - EVE-RY BREATH PRAISE THE LORD!

EDITOR'S NOTE: indicates a  $\frac{3}{4}$  grouping; indicates a pick-up to a strong syllable.

\* NOTE: The numbering of psalms and verses is according to the Septuagint.

Tone 2

Psalm 7: 7-8

A - RISE, O LORD MY GOD, IN THE DE - CREE WHICH THOU HAST COM - MAND-ED,

AND THE AS - SEM - BLY OF PEO - PLES WILL SUR - ROUND THEE.

LET EVE - RY BREATH PRAISE THE LORD!

Tone 3

Psalm 95: 10

SAY A - MONG THE NA - TIONS THAT THE LORD IS KING, FOR HE HAS ES - TAB -

- LISHED THE WORLD, SO THAT IT SHALL NEV - ER BE MOVED.

LET EVE-RY BREATH PRAISE THE LORD!

Tone 4 Psalm 43: 27

A - RISE, O LORD, AND HELP US, DE - LIV - ER US FOR THY NAME'S

SAKE. LET EVE-RY BREATH PRAISE THE LORD!

Tone 5 Psalm 9: 33

A RISE, O LORD MY GOD, AND LET THY HAND BE LIFT - ED UP, FOR

THOU DOST REIGN FOR - EV ER.

LET EVE-RY BREATH PRAISE THE LORD!

Tone 6 Psalm 79: 3

O LORD, STIR UP THY MIGHT, AND COME TO

SAVE US.

LET EVE-RY BREATH PRAISE THE LORD!

Tone 7 Psalm 9: 33

A RISE, O LORD MY GOD, AND LET THY HAND BE LIFT-ED UP.

FOR - GET NOT THY POOR UN - TIL THE END.

LET EVE - RY BREATH PRAISE THE LORD!

Tone 8

Psalm 145: 10

THE LORD WILL REIGN FOR - EV - ER, THY GOD, O ZI

ON, TO ALL GEN - ER - A TIONS. LET EVE - RY

BREATH PRAISE THE LORD!