

The Paschal Canon

ODE 1

Common Russian Chant, Tone 1
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Heirmos.

Soprano
Alto

Tenor
Bass

This is the day of Res - ur - rec - tion. Let us be il -

lu - mined, O peo - ple Pas - cha, the Pas - cha of the Lord!

For from death to life and from earth to heav - en has Christ our

God led us, as we sing the song of vic - to - ry.

Refrain.

Christ is ris - en from the dead.

Troparion 1.

Let us purify our senses and we shall see Christ

shining in the unapproachable light of His Res - ur - rec -

tion. We shall clearly hear Him say: "Re - joice,"

as we sing the song of vic - to - ry.

Refrain.

Christ is ris - en from the dead.

Troparion 2.

Let the heav - ens be glad and let the earth re - joice.

the whole world, vis - i - ble and in - vis - i - ble

keep the feast, for Christ is risen, our E - ter - nal Joy.

Paschal Troparion
(three times)

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ODE 3

Common Russian Chant

Heirmos.

Soprano
Alto

Come let us drink not mi - rac - u - lous wa - ter

Tenor
Bass

drawn forth from a bar - ren stone, but a new vin - tage

from the fount of in - cor - rup - tion, springing from the

tomb of Christ. In Him we are es - tab - lished.

Refrain.

Christ is ris - en from the dead.

Troparion 1.

Now all is filled with light: heav - en and earth and the

low - er re - gions. Let all cre - a - tion celebrate the

ris - ing of Christ. In Him we are es - tab - lished.

Refrain.

Christ is ris - en from the dead.

Troparion 2.

Yes - ter - day I was bur - ied with Thee, O Christ. To - day

a - rise with Thee, O Christ, in Thy Res - ur - rec - tion.

Yes - ter - day I was cru - ci - fied with Thee, O Christ. Glo - ri - fy

me with Thee, O Saviour, in Thy King - dom.

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(three times)

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ODE 4

Heirmos.

Common Russian Chant

Soprano
Alto

Tenor
Bass

The in - spired Proph - et Ha - bak - kuk now stands with

us in ho - ly vig - il. He is like a shining an - gel

who cries with a pierc - ing voice: "To - day salvation has come

to the world for Christ is ris - en as all - pow - er -

Refrain.

ful." Christ is ris - en from the dead.

Troparion 1.

Christ our Pascha has appeared as a Male Child, the Son

that o - pens a vir - gin womb. He is called the Lamb

as One des - tined to be our Food, un - blem - ished for

He has not tast - ed of cor - rup - tion, and per - fect

Refrain.

for He is our True God. Christ is ris - en from the dead.

Troparion 2.

Christ, the crown with which we are blessed has ap-peared

a year-ling lamb. Free-ly He has giv-en Him-self

as our cleans-ing Pas-chal sac-ri-fice. From the tomb He

has shone forth once a-gain, our ra-di-ant Sun of

Refrain.

right-eous-ness. Christ is ris-en from the dead.

Troparion 3.

Da - vid the an - ces - tor of God leaped and danced before

the ark which pre - fig - ured Thee. Now let us the holy

peo - ple of God, seeing the fulfill - ment of all fig -

ures, re - joice in pi - e - ty, for Christ is

ris - en as all pow - er - ful.

Paschal Troparion
(three times)

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ODE 5

Common Russian Chant

Heirmos.

Soprano
AltoTenor
Bass

Let us a - rise at the ris - ing of the sun

and bring to the Master a hymn in - stead of myrrh. And

we shall see Christ, the Sun of right - eous - ness, Who causes us to

dawn for all. Christ is ris - en from the dead.

Troparion 1.

The souls bound in the chains of hell, O Christ, see - ing

thy com - pas - sion with - out mea - sure, pressed on - ward

to the Light with joy - ful steps, praising the E - ter - nal

Refrain.

Pas - cha. Christ is ris - en from the dead.

Troparion 2.

Let us go with lamps in hand to meet Christ, Who comes from the

on b like a Bride groom, and with the festive ranks of

an - gels let us celebrate the sav - ing Pas - cha of God.

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(three times)

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ODE 6

("Thou/Thy" variant*)

Common Russian Chant

Heirmos.

Soprano
AltoTenor
Bass

Thou didst descend, O Christ, to the depths of the

earth. Thou didst break the ever - last - ing bars which had

held death's captives, and like Jo - nah from the whale

on the third day Thou didst a - rise from the grave.

*)Because providing variants for Ode 6 in both modern and traditional styles of English on the same page would have been potentially confusing, the two are offered on separate pages.

Refrain.

Christ is ris - en from the dead.

Troparion 1.

Thou didst a - rise, O Christ, and yet the tomb re-mained

sealed as at Thy birth the Vir-gin's womb re-mained un-harmed,

and Thou hast o - pened for us the gates of Par - a - dise.

Refrain.

Christ is ris - en from the dead.

Troparion 2.

O my Sav - ior, as God Thou didst bring Thyself free - ly to the

Fa - ther, a Vic - tim living and un - sac - ri - ficed, res - ur - rect - ing

Ad - am the fa - ther of us all, when Thou didst a - rise from the grave.

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(three times)

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Paschal Kanon

ODE 6

("You/Your" variant*)

Common Russian Chant

Heirmos.

Soprano
AltoTenor
Bass

You de - scend - ed O Christ, to the depths of the

earth. You broke the ev - er - last - ing bars which had

held death's cap - tives, and like Jo - nah from the whale

on the third day You a - rose from the grave.

*)Because providing variants for Ode 6 in both modern and traditional styles of English on the same page would have been potentially confusing , the two are offered on separate pages.

Refrain.

Christ is ris - en from the dead.

Troparion 1.

You a - rose O Christ, and yet the tomb re - mained sealed

as at Your birth the Vir - gin's womb re - mained un - harmed,

and You have o - pened for us the gates of Par - a - dise.

Refrain.

Christ is ris - en from the dead.

Troparion 2.

O my Sav - ior, as God You brought Yourself free - ly to the

Fa - ther, a Vic-tim living and un - sac - ri - ficed, res - ur - rect - ing

Ad-am the fa - ther of us all, when You a - rose from the grave.

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ODE 7

Heirmos.

Common Russian Chant

Soprano
AltoTenor
Bass

He who saved the three young men in the fur - nace

be - came in - car - nate and suf - fered as a mor - tal man

Through His suf - fer - ings He clothed what is mortal in the robe of

im - mor - tal - i - ty. He a - lone is blessed and most glo - ri - ous,

Refrain.

the God of our fa - thers. Christ is ris - en from the dead.

Troparion 1.

The god-ly wom - en had has - tened to Thee with myrrh, O Christ.

In tears they had sought Thee as a dead man, but in joy they

wor - shipped Thee as the liv - ing God and pro

claimed the mystical Pas - cha to Thy dis - ci - ples.

Refrain.

Christ is ris - en from the dead.

Troparion 2.

We celebrate the death of death and the o-ver-throw of hell,

the be - ginning of another life which is e - ter - nal,

and in exaltation we sing the prais es of its Source.

He a - lone is blessed and most glo - ri - ous, the God of our

Refrain.

fa - thers. Christ is ris - en from the dead.

Troparion 3.

This is the bright and sav - ing night sa - cred and su -

preme - ly fes - tal. It heralds the radiant day of the

Res - ur - rec - tion, on which the Time - less Light

shone forth from the tomb for all.

Paschal Troparion
(three times)

Paschal Kanon

ODE 8

Heirmos.

Common Russian Chant

Soprano
AltoTenor
Bass

This is the cho-sen and ho - ly day, first of Sab-baths,

king and lord of days the feast of feasts, ho - ly day of

ho - ly days. on this day we bless Christ for - ev - er - more.

Refrain.

Christ is ris - en from the dead.

Troparion 1.

Come on this chosen day of the res-ur-rec-tion, let us par-

take of the new fruit of the vine. Let us share

in the divine rejoicing of the King - dom of Christ,

praising Him as God for - ev - er - more.

Refrain.

Christ is ris - en from the dead.

Troparion 2.

Lift up thine eyes, O Zion, round about and see:

thy children like divinely shin - ing stars as - sem - ble

from the north, the south, the east, and the west

to bless Christ in the for - ev - er - more.

Refrain.

O Most Holy Trinity our God, glo - ry to Thee. You.

Troparion 3.

Fa - ther Al - mighty, Word and Spir - it, one na - ture

in three per - sons, sur - pas - sing es - sence and di -

vin - i - ty. In Thee You have we been bap - tized,

and Thee You we bless you - ev - er - more.

Paschal Troparion
(three times)

Paschal Kanon

Refrains at the 9th Ode

(Abbreviated for customary parish usage)

Refrain 1.

Slowly.

Common Russian Chant

Soprano
Alto

Tenor
Bass

My soul mag ni-fies Him who rose from

the dead on the third day: Christ, the Giv - er of Life!

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ODE 9

Heirmos.

Quickly.

Common Russian Chant

Soprano
Alto

Shine, shine, O New Je - ru - sa - lem! The glory of the

Tenor
Bass

Lord has shone on thee! you! Ex - ult now and be

glad O Zi - on! Be ra - di - ant, pure The - o -

to - kos, in the res - ur - rec - tion of thy Son!
your

Refrain 2.

Slowly. 

Christ, the New Pas cha! The Liv - ing

Sac

ri - fice!

The Lamb of God



who takes a way — the sins of the world!



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Troparion 1.

Quickly. 


How di - vine! How be - loved How sweet is Thy
Your



voice, O Christ For Thou hast faithfully promised to be



with us, to the end of the world. Hav - ing this as our



an - chor of hope, we the faith - ful re - joice.

Refrain 3.

Slowly. 

Mar - y Mag - da - lene has - tened to

the tomb, and see - ing Christ, she ques - tioned

Him as though He were the gar - den.

Troparion 2.

Quickly. 


O Christ, Great and Most Holy Pascha! O Wis -



dom, Word, and Pow'r of God, grant that we may more



perfectly partake of Thee in the new - er -



ing day Thy King - dom.

Refrain 4.

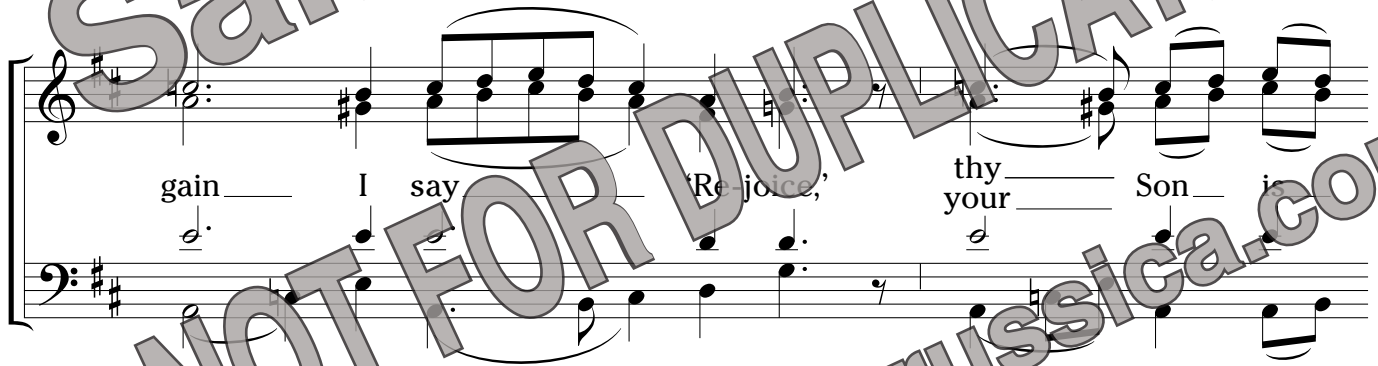
Slowly.



The an - gel cried to the dead full of grace,



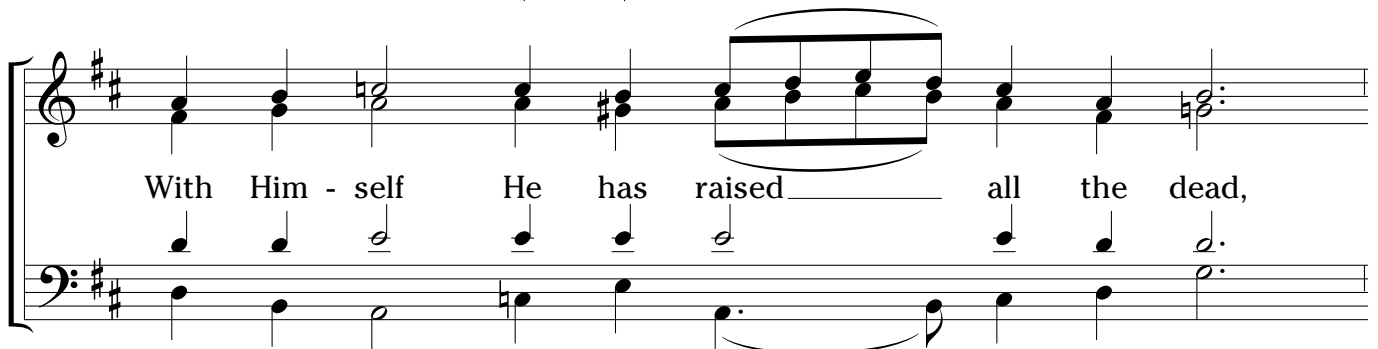
Re - joice, O Pure Vir - gin, a



gain I say 'Re-joice,' thy your Son is



ris - en from the three days in the tomb.



With Him - self He has raised all the dead,

re - jice, O ye you peo - ple

Heirmos.

Quickly.

Shine shine, O New Je - ru - sa - lem! The glory of the

Lord has shone on thee! Ex - alt now, and be

glad, O Zi - on! Be - ta di - ant, O pure The - o -

to - kos, in the res - ur - rec - tion of thy Son!

Paschal Troparion
(three times)