



Sunday Octoëchos

A COMPOSITION OF THE MONK JOHN

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ODE ONE

Heirmos

I^Γ n times of old, the won - der - work - ing rod of Mo - ses
marked the sea with a cross. ^{Γδ} Hav - ing struck the wa - ters
^{πδ} it di - vid - ed them and sank both Phar - oah with his char - i -
^Δots, but thē Is - rae - lite peo - ple who fled by foot ^Γ____were
kept safe from harm, ^{Γδ} chant - ing to the Lord God a song of praise.

^{Γδ}

Troparia

h^Γow can we not be struck with awe at Christ's om - nip -

o - tent Di - vin - i - ty? It pour - eth dis - pas -

sion from His Pas - sion, grant - ing in - cor - rup - tion to all

faith - ful men and doth make an im - mor - tal spring to flow

forth from His ho - ly side and e - ter - nal life from

the sep - ul - cher.

Now fair thē an - gel now ap - pear - eth to the wom -

en as he clear - ly doth bear bright - ly - beam - ing sym - bols

of in - nate and im - ma - te - ri - al e - ter - nal pu -

ri - ty; by his form, he doth make known the Res - ur -

rec - tion's re - ful - gent light, as he cri - eth: Ris -

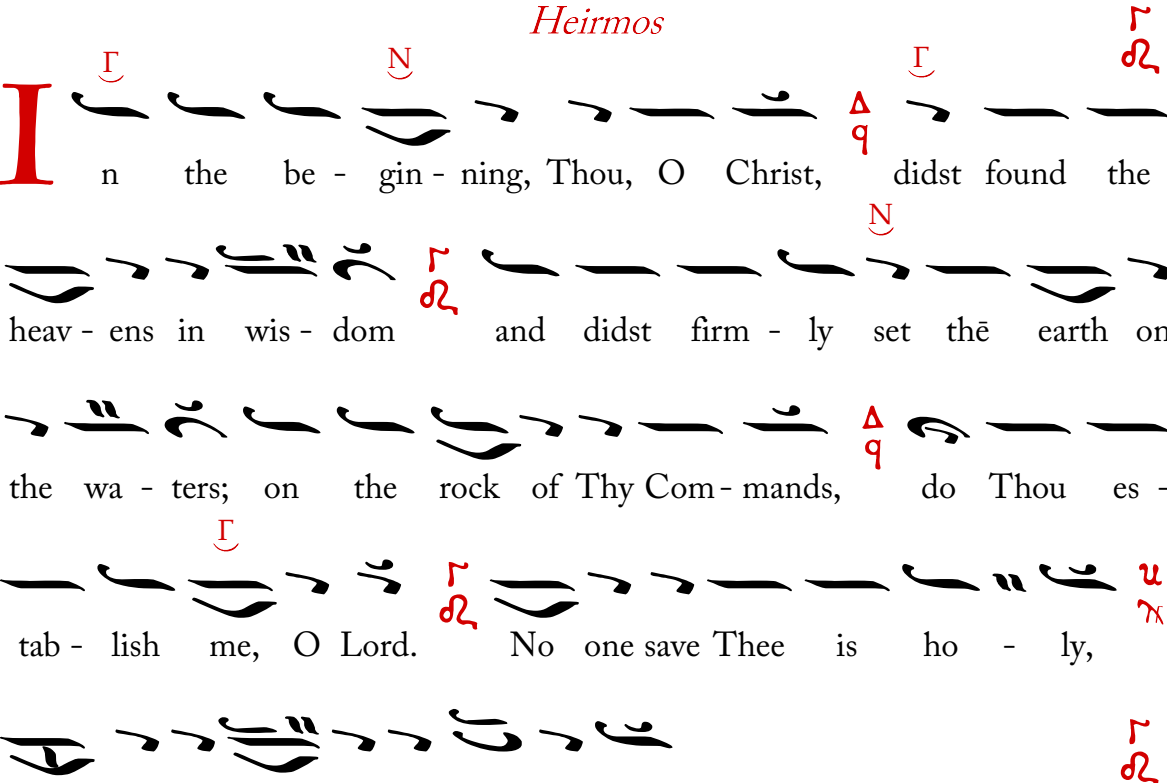
en is Christ the Lord.

Theotokion

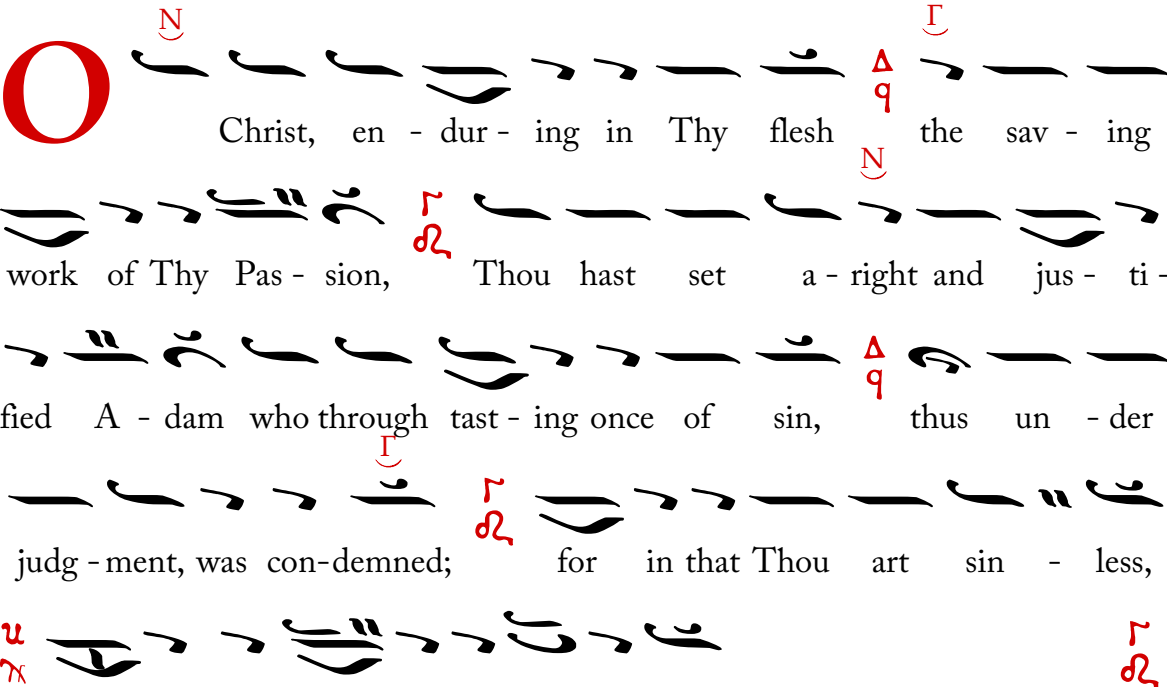
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F rom gen - er - a - tion un - to gen - er - a - tion, glo - rious
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things are spo - ken of thee, O Vir - gin The - o - to -
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kos; for thou held - est God the Word with - in thy womb, a -
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bid - ing pure. Hence, we all praise and rev' - rence and hon -
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or thee, — af - ter God Him - self, as our swift pro -
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tec - tion and read - y help.

ODE THREE

Heirmos


I n the be - gin - ning, Thou, O Christ, didst found the
 heav - ens in wis - dom and didst firm - ly set the earth on
 the wa - ters; on the rock of Thy Com - mands, do Thou es -
 tab - lish me, O Lord. No one save Thee is ho - ly,
 Thou Who a - lone art the Friend of man.

Troparia


O Christ, en - dur - ing in Thy flesh the sav - ing
 work of Thy Pas - sion, Thou hast set a - right and jus - ti -
 fied A - dam who through tast - ing once of sin, thus un - der
 judg - ment, was con - demned; for in that Thou art sin - less,
 Thou wast not bound by the trial of death.

S^Γ hin - ing the Res - ur - rec - tion's light, ^{Δ q} Je - sus my
 God hath il - lu - mined ^Γ those once sit - ting in the dark -
 ness and shad - ow, there a - mong the shades of death. ^{Δ q} And there,
 through His ^Γ Di - vin - i - ty ^Γ tru - ly He bound the strong —
 man ^u so as to spoil him of all his goods. ^Γ

Theotokion

O^Γ The - o - to - kos, in that thou ^{Δ q} a - lone hadst
 held in thy pure womb ^Γ the un - con - tain - a - ble God, thou
 wast shown forth as ex - alt - ed ov - er all ^{Δ q} the Cher - u -
 bim and Ser - a - phim. ^Γ Where - fore, all we the faith -
 ful ^u bless thee with hymns, O all - spot - less one. ^Γ

ODE FOUR

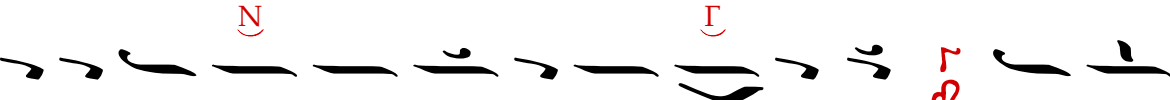
Heirmos

Heirmos

Thou art my strength; Thou art my pow - er and might, O Lord;
Thou art my ___ God; Thou Who wast not ab - sent from Thy
Fa - ther's arms, Thou, Lord, art my joy. Thou hast deigned to vis -
- it our low - li - ness and our pov - er - ty. To Thee, there
- fore, I cry out with Ha - bak - kuk the Proph - et: Glo -
ry be to Thy pow - er, O Friend of man.

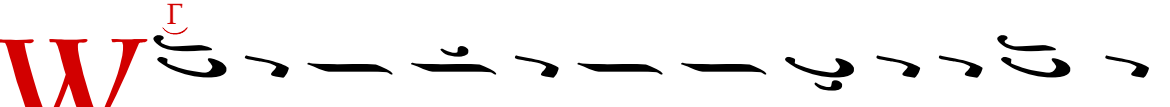
Troparia

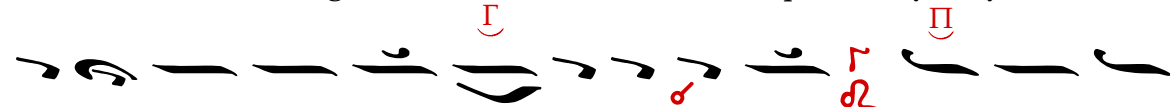
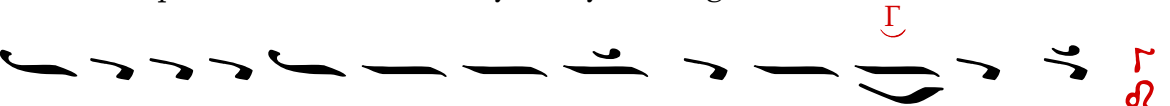
om - ing to earth in a strange act of self - emp - ty - ing,
 ten - der lov - ing Sav - ior, Thou didst love me great - ly,
 though I showed en - mi - ty to Thee, spurn - ing not the wan -


 - ton con - ceit of mine in - sig - ni - fi - cance. A - bid -

 ing in the height of Thine in - ef - fa - ble glo - ry,

 Thou didst glo - ri - fy me who was once dis-graced.


 ho is not filled with awe and won - der, O Sov'- reign

 Lord, see - ing death now van - quished by Thy Pas - sion,

 Ha - des spoiled of wealth by Thy sav - ing death, and noi - some

 cor - rup - tion now driv - en out through thy pre - cious Cross.

 This is the work most won-drous of the all - di - vine Lord

 - ship of Thee the Cru - ci - fied One, O Thou Friend of

 man.

Theotokion


 f those with faith thou art pro - tec - tress and cer - tain boast;

of all Chris - tians thou art sure de - fence, safe hav - en
 and re - treat, O un-wed - ded Bride. For un - to thy Son
 — thou dost bear our prayers, O all - blame - less one, and sav -
 est from grave dan - gers those who with faith and true long - ing
 know thee as pure The - o - to - kos, O spot - less one.

ODE FIVE

Heirmos

Where - fore hast Thou de - spised me and cast me
 from Thy Coun - te - nance, O nev - er - set - ting Light? For the
 out - er dark - ness hath en - shroud - ed and bound me, the
 wretch - ed one. Yet, — now I be - seech Thee: Do Thou
 con - vert — me and di - rect me to the light of Thy pre -

cepts, O Lord my God.

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Troparia

Ε re Thy Pas - sion, O Sav - ior, suf - fring to be
 clad with a red robe of mock - er - y, Thou didst ful - ly
 cov - er the first - fash - ioned man's most shame - ful na - ked - ness,
 and na - ked, didst suf - fer to be af - fixed to
 the di - vine Cross; thus, O Christ, didst Thou strip off the
 robe of death.

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Θ ou, O Christ, art a - ris - en, where - by from the
 ver - y dust of death didst Thou re - new my whole fall - en
 na - ture, and didst make it to nev - er wax old a - gain.
 There - fore, didst Thou show it to be a - gain the roy -

al im - age, flash - ing forth in - cor - rup - tion's re - splend - ent
light.

Theotokion

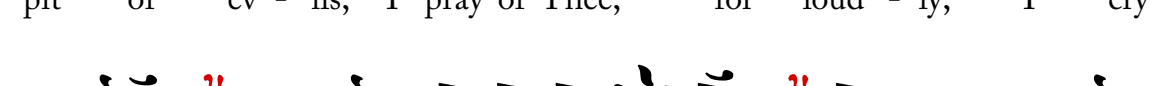
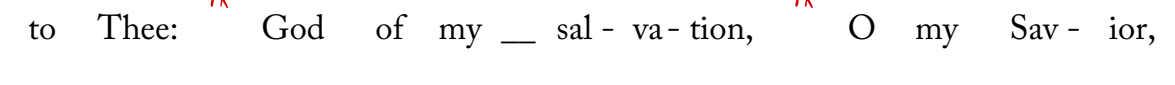
O im - mac - u - late La - dy, since thou hast the
bold - ness of a moth - er with thy Son, fail us not,
we pray ___ thee: dis - re - gard not thy care for thy kin - dred
folk. For ___ thou art the on - ly gra - cious a - tone -
ment whom we Chris - tians may set be - fore our good Mas - ter
and Sov' - reign Lord.

ODE SIX

Heirmos

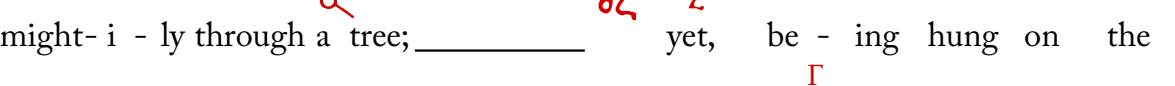
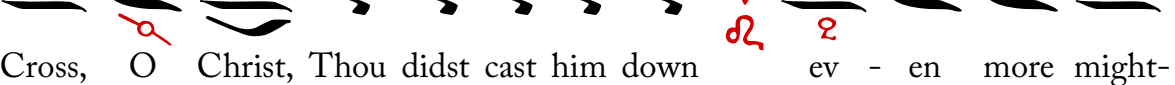
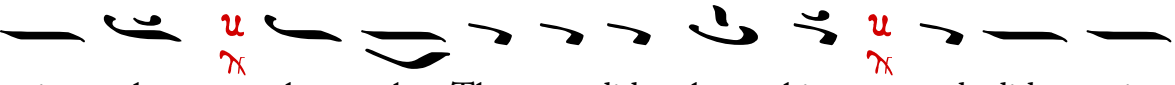
O Lord, be gra - cious to me. Be - hold! my


 man - y in - iq - ui - ties; _____ and lead me up from the

 pit of ev - ils, I pray of Thee, for loud - ly, I cry

 to Thee: God of my __ sal - va - tion, O my Sav - ior,

 heark - en un - to me.

Troparia


 he chief of ev - il once cast me down most

 might - i - ly through a tree; _____ yet, be - ing hung on the

 Cross, O Christ, Thou didst cast him down ev - en more might -

 i - ly, where - by Thou __ didst shame him, and didst raise

 a - gain the fall - en one.


 n Si - on, Thou __ didst be - stow Thy ten - der

mer - cy by dawn-ing forth _____ out of the tomb, O Christ
 God; and made her no long - er old but new by Thy Blood
 di - vine, as One great _____ in mer - cy. Now in her Thou
 reign- est ev - er - more.

Theotokion

By thine en - treat - ies for us, may we be
 freed from our griev- ous sins, _____ O pure Birth - giv - er
 of God; and so may we all ob - tain _____ en - light - en - ment
 most di - vine from God's Son, _____ all - pure one, Who took flesh
 from thee in - ef - fa - bly.

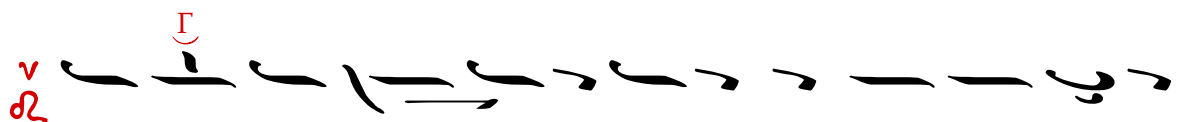
ODE SEVEN

Heirmos

A fore - time in Bab - y - lon, the fi - re rev' - renced
the con - de - scen - sion of God; where - fore, though in the
fur - nace, yet the three Chil - dren with joy - ful step ____ danced
a - bout as in a flow - er - ing mead - ow while chant - ing
thus: O Lord and God ____ of our Fa - thers, praised and
bless - ed art Thou.

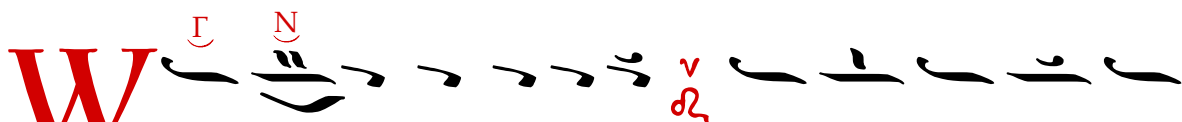
Troparia

Thy glo - ri - ous emp - ty - ing, O Christ, Thy pov - er -
ty's trove of treas - ure di - vine, doth as - ton - ish the
An - - gels, who stand in awe as they see Thee nailed ____ to the
Cross, so as to save those who cry out to Thee with faith:


 O Lord and God ____ of our Fa - thers, praised and bless - ed
 art Thou.


 he re - gions be - neath thē earth were filled with light by
 Thine own de - scent ____ most di - vine; put to flight was the
 dark - ness, our for - mer per - se - cu - tor; while those ____ who
 were bound from all thē ag - es a - rose and they cried a -
 loud: O Lord and God ____ of our Fa - thers, praised and
 bless - ed art Thou.

Triadikon


 We call Thee the Lord of all as we the - o - lo -
 gize with an Or - tho - dox mind: Fa - ther of on - ly one
 on - ly - be - got - ten Son. And pro - ceed - ing from Thee,

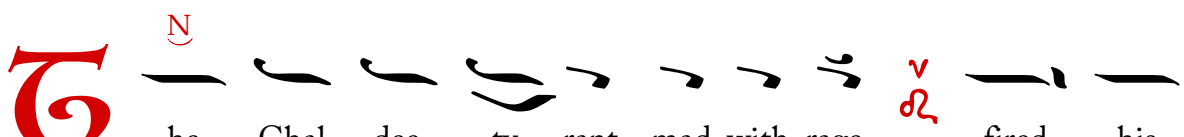

 one up - right Spir - it we know and we rec - og - nize: of

 the same na - ture is He and co - e - ter - nal with

 Thee.

ODE EIGHT

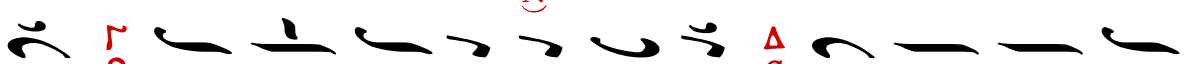
Heirmos


 he Chal - dee ty - rant, mad with rage, fired his

 fur - nace of blaz - ing flame sev - en times yet hot -

 ter for the wor - ship - pers of God; but see - ing that they

 were saved by a far great - er pow - er than his,

 he then cried a - loud: Ye Chil - dren, bless the Cre - a -

 tor, the Sav - ior and Re - deem - er; O ye priests, sing

 His prais - es; ex - alt Him, O ye peo - ple, to all the end -

less ag - es.

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Troparia

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n ^Now hath the more than god - like might ^V of Christ
 Je - sus' ^Γdi - vin - i - ty ^Γbright - ly shone with - in ^N
 us ^u in a man - ner fit for God. ^ΓFor, tak - ing on hu -
 man flesh, ^Δfor all He tast - ed death ^Γon the Cross, ^Γ
^Πspoil - ing ^NHa - des' strength. ^ΔWhere - fore, ye three ho - ly
^ΓChil - dren ^Γun - ceas - ing - ly now bless Him; ^ΔO ye priests,
 sing His prais - es; ^Γex - alt Him, O ye peo - ple, to all the
 end - less ag - es.

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n ^Now ris - en is the Cru - ci - fied, ^Vthe great

brag - gart is fall - en down. He that once was fall -
 en and was bro - ken hath been raised. Cor - rup - tion is
 driv - en out, while in - cor - rup - tion blos - som-eth forth;
 and by means of life, now is mor - tal - i - ty
 swallow- ed. Thus bless Him, O ye Chil- dren, O ye priests,
 sing His prais- es; ex - alt Him, O ye peo- ple, to all the
 end - less ag - es.

Triadikon

he God - head trip - ly lu - min - ous shin - ing
 forth with one ra - di- ance from a sin - gle na -
 ture, yet in three hy - pos - ta - ses: Be - get - ter be - gin -

ing- less, the Fa - ther's Word one na - ture with Him,
 and reign - ing with Them, the con - sub - stan - tial good Spir -
 it; now bless Him, O ye Chil-dren, O ye priests, sing His
 prais - es; ex - alt Him, O ye peo - ple, to all thē end - less
 ag - es.

ODE NINE

Heirmos

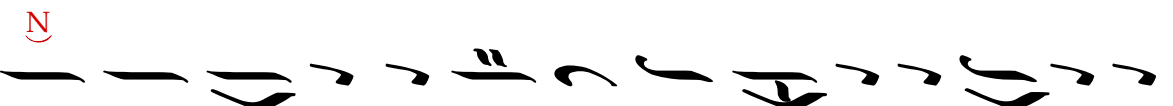
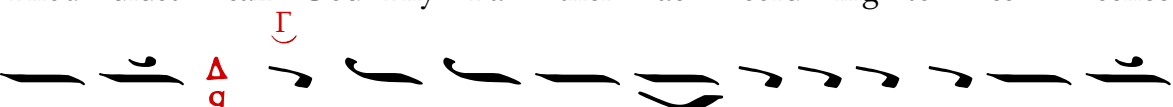
The heav - ens were as - ton - ished and stood in awe,
 and thē ends of thē earth were a - mazed at this, that God ap -
 peared to the race of men in the flesh of man. And
 lo, thy womb hath proved to be vast - er and more spa - cious
 than heav - en's heights. For this, O The - o - to - kos, the lead -

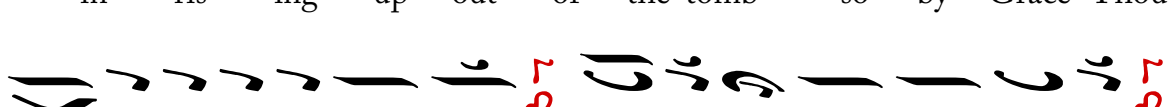
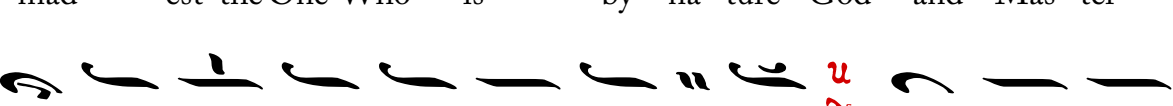
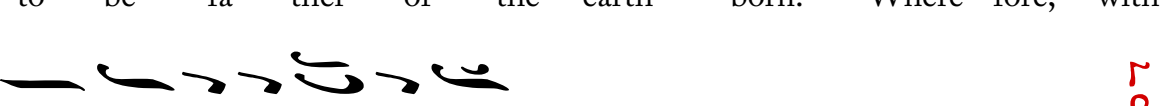
ers and com - mand - ers of men and An - gels mag - ni -
 fy thy name.

Troparia

In na - ture both be - gin - ning - less and di - vine,
 be - ing sim - ple, yet com - pound didst Thou be - come, O Word of
 God. Tak - ing flesh, in Thee ____ Thou didst give it being.
 And hav - ing suf - fered as a man, God be - yond all suff -
 - ring didst Thou re - main. Where - fore, we mag - ni - fy Thee
 in two dis - tinc - tive na - tures with - out di - vid -
 ing or con - fus - ing them.

Be - com - ing man by na - ture, O Thou Most High,


 Thou didst call God Thy Fa - ther ac - cord - ing to es - sence

 di - vine. When Thou cam - est down _____ to Thy low - ly slaves,


 in ris - ing up out of the tomb so by Grace Thou

 mad - - est the One Who is by na - ture God and Mas - ter

 to be fa - ther of the earth - born. Where - fore, with

 Him, Thee do we mag - ni - fy.

Theotokion


 he Moth - er of our God _____ wast thou shown to be,

 when tran - scend - ing our na - ture, O Vir - gin Maid, thou gav - est

 birth un - to the Good Word _____ in the flesh of man, that

 Word the Fa - ther, be - ing God, poured forth out of His

 heart _____ be - fore time be - gan. And now we all per - ceive Him


 to be a - bove all bod - ies, though with a bod -

 y He hath been en- robed.