

December 25th

The Nativity of our Lord, God, and Savior Jesus Christ in the Flesh

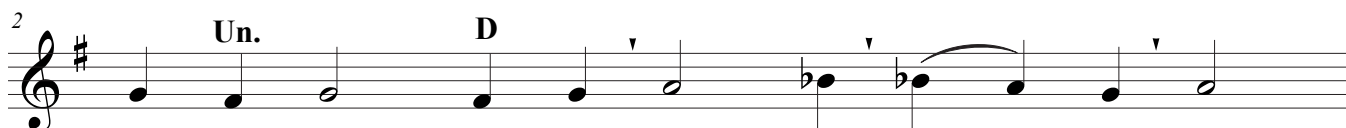
Kathismata: Sessional Hymns following the readings of the Psalter

Byzantine Chant Tone 4
Special melody: *Joseph was amazed*

Adapted by Rassem El Massih



1) Come, ye faith - ful let___ us see where Christ the Sav - ior
2) *Why, O Mar - y, marv' - lest thou, a - mazed at that which*
3) He Whom noth - ing can___ con - tain, how is He held with -



hath been born; let us fol - low with___ the kings,
is in thee? Be - cause I have giv - en birth
-in a womb? And while in His Fa - ther's arms,



e - ven the Ma - gi from thē East, un - to the place where the
in time un - to the time - less Son, yet none hath taught me con -
how in His Moth - er's pure em - brace? Such is His will and good



star doth di - rect___ their jour - ney. For there,___ thē
- cern - ing my Child's con - cep - tion: with - out___ a
pleas - ure, and as___ He know - eth. For be - ing



An - gels' hosts sing prais - es cease - less - ly; shep - herds
man___ am I, how shall I bear___ a___ Son? Who___ hath
with - out flesh, He took flesh will - ing - ly; for___ us,



in___ the field of - fer a fit - ting___ song,
ev - er seen a birth with - out___ man's___ seed?
He___ Who Is be - came what He___ was___ not.

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while say - ing, Glo - ry in the high - est to
But, as is writ - ten, where God will - eth, thē
 With - out for - sak - ing His own na - ture, He

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Him this day born with - in the cave
or - der of na - ture is o - ver - come.
 hath par - tak - en of what we are.

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from the pure Vir - gin and The - o - to - kos
Lo, Christ is born now of the pure Vir - gin
 For Christ is born now, two - fold in na - ture,

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in Beth - le - hem of Ju - de - a.
in Beth - le - hem of Ju - de - a.
 to fill Heav - en with man - kind.