

*Sing the beginning of the Praises in the Byzantine Matins Service Book by Kazan,
in tone 4, on page 127, and then the following.*

Verse 1 - Fast



Praise God in his sanc - tu - ar - y, praise him in the firm - a - ment of his pow'r.



Praise him for his might-y acts, praise him ac-cord-ing to his ex - cel-lent great - ness.

Idiomelon 1



Re - joice, O right-eous ones, and ye heav - ens be glad.



Sing with joy, ye moun - tains, for the Na - tiv - i - ty of



Christ. The Vir-gin sit - teth like the cher - u - bim, hold-ing in her



bos - om God thē in - car - nate Word; the shep-herds do glo-ri-fy__



him who was born. The Ma - gi of-fer pre-sents to the Lord, and thē

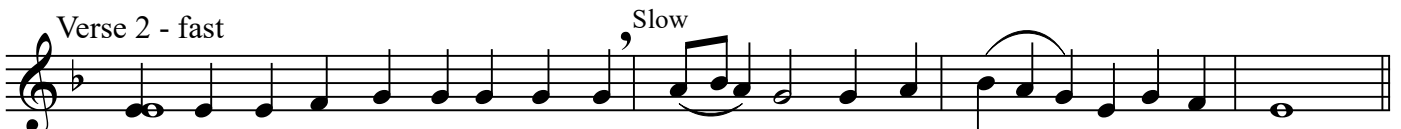


an - gels give praise,__ say - ing, O Lord,



hid - den from com - pre - hen - sion, glo - ry to thee.

Verse 2 - fast



Praise him with the sound of the trum-pet, praise him with the psal - ter-y and harp.

Idiomelon 2

The Fa - ther hath been_ pleased and sat - is - fied; the
Word hath be - come_ flesh; and the Vir - gin hath giv - en
birth to in - car - nate God. The star de - claim - eth, the
Ma - gi_ wor - ship, the shep - herds
won - der, and cre - a - tion re - joic - eth.

Verse 3 - Fast

Praise him with the tim - brel and dance, ^{Slow} praise_ him with the
string'd_ in - stru - ments and or - - - gans.

Idiomelon 3

O vir - gin The - o - to - - - kos, O thou
who hast giv - en birth to our Sav - iour, thou_ hast re - voked the
an - cient curse of Eve; for thou_ hast be - come a



Moth - er ac - cord - ing to the pleas - ure of God,



car - ry - ing in thy__ bos - om God__ thē in - car - nate Word.



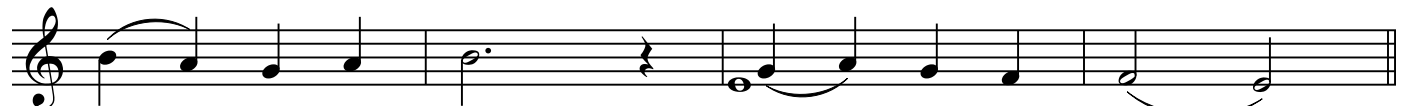
Ver - i - ly, the mys' - try is in - scriu - ta - ble;



but we all__ glo - ri - fy__ it with faith__ on - ly,



cry - ing with thee and say - ing, O in - com - pre -



- hen - si - ble Lord, glo - ry to thee.____

Verse 4 - fast



Praise him up - on the loud cym - bals, praise him up - on the high sound - ing



cym - bals, let ev - ry - thing that hath breath praise the Lord.



Come, let us praise the Moth - er of the Sav - iour, who ap -

-peared a Vir - gin ev - en af - ter birth - giv - ing,
cry - ing, Re - joice, O liv - ing cit - y of
God _____ the King, in whom _____ Christ hav - ing
dwelt _____ worked sal - va - tion. Where - fore, we with
Ga - bri - el do praise, and with the shep - herds do
glo - ri - fy _____ thee, _____ cry - - - ing,
O The - o - - to - - - - - kos, in - ter -
- cede with him in - car - nate of thee to
save _____ us. _____