

December 25: The Nativity of our Lord
Troparion, Tone 4 - Synodal Choir Melody

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Thy na - tiv - i - ty, O Christ our God, hath shined upon the world

the light of know-ledge; for there-by, they that wor-shipped the stars

were taught by a star to worship Thee, the Sun of right-eous-ness,

and to know Thee, the Day-spring from on high. O Lord, glo-ry be to Thee.

English translation by R-monk Laurence, "Prayer Book", Holy Trinity Monastery, Jordanville, NY

God is the Lord, Tone 4 (Synodal Choir Melody)

- 4 times -

God is the Lord and hath ap-peared un-to us,

The first system of musical notation consists of a treble and bass staff joined by a brace on the left. Both staves are in the key of D major, indicated by a sharp sign on the F line. The treble staff begins with a repeat sign. The melody is written in a simple, homophonic style with quarter and eighth notes. The lyrics are placed below the treble staff, with hyphens under 'ap-peared' and 'un-to'.

bless-ed is He that com-eth in the name of the Lord.

The second system of musical notation continues the melody from the first system. It also consists of a treble and bass staff in D major. The treble staff ends with a fermata over the final note. The lyrics are placed below the treble staff, with hyphens under 'bless-ed' and 'com-eth'.