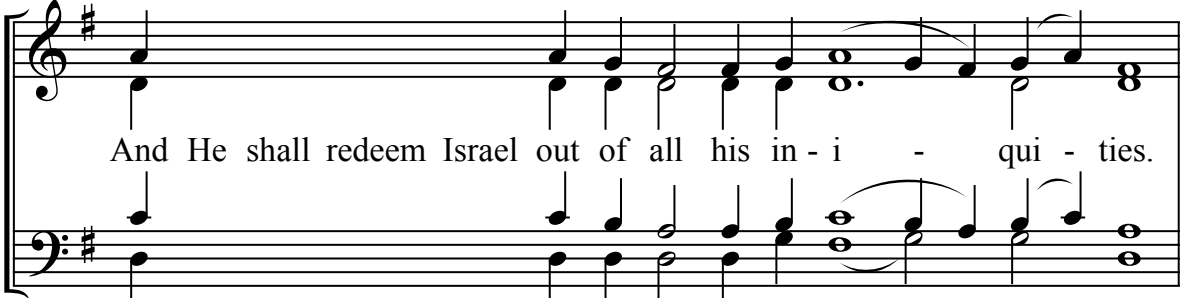


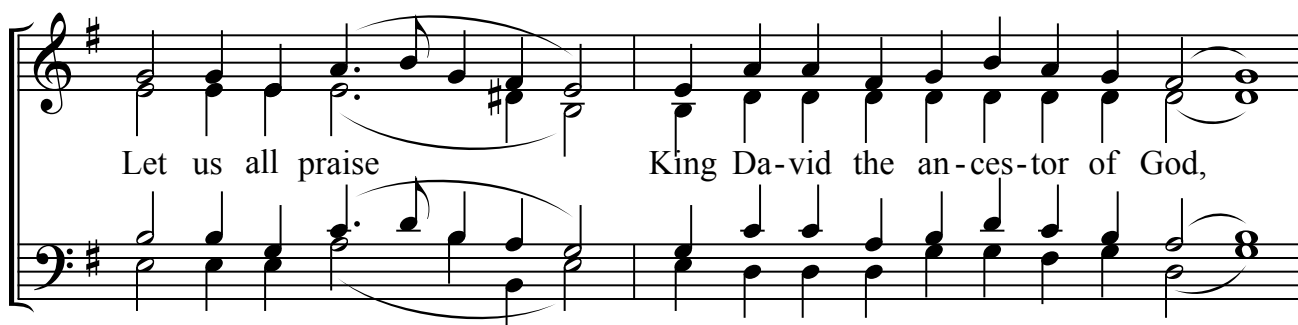
**Stichera on "Lord I have cried"**  
**Tone 1, Special Melody "Joy of the ranks of heaven..."**

(3) *Reader:* In the 1st Tone, Special Melody "Joy of the ranks of heaven..."  
 For with the Lord there is mercy, and with Him is plenteous redemption;

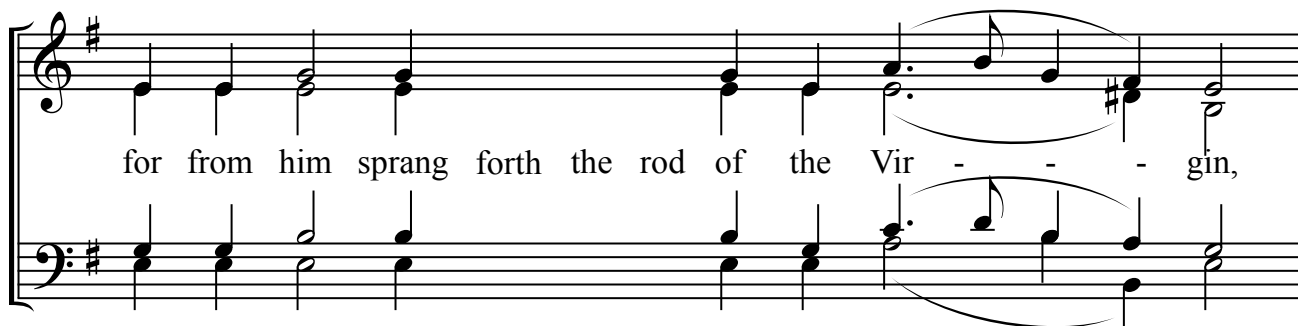
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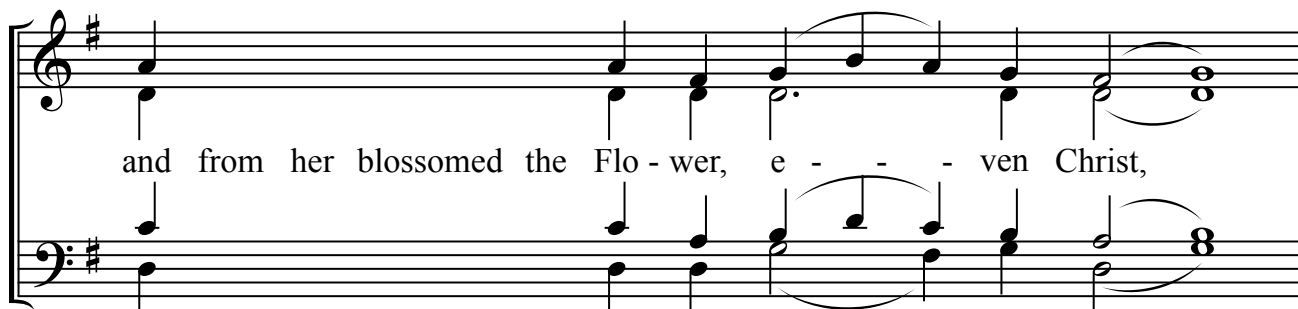
And He shall redeem Israel out of all his in - i - qui - ties.



Let us all praise King Da-vid the an-ces-tor of God,



for from him sprang forth the rod of the Vir - gin,



and from her blossomed the Flo - wer, e - - - ven Christ,

Who hath called forth Adam and Eve from cor - rup - - - tion,

The first system of musical notation for the Stichera, featuring a treble and bass clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are "Who hath called forth Adam and Eve from cor - rup - - - tion,". The melody is primarily composed of quarter and eighth notes, with a final phrase marked with a fermata.

in that He is full of lov - ing - kind - - - ness.

The second system of musical notation, continuing the melody and accompaniment. The lyrics are "in that He is full of lov - ing - kind - - - ness." The piece concludes with a final cadence marked with a fermata.

(2) *Reader:* O praise the Lord, all ye nations;

Praise Him all ye — peo - - - - - ples.

The first system of musical notation for the Reader's part, featuring a treble and bass clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are "Praise Him all ye — peo - - - - - ples." The melody is primarily composed of quarter and eighth notes, with a final phrase marked with a fermata.

Jo - seph the be - trothed in old — age be - held

The second system of musical notation for the Reader's part. The lyrics are "Jo - seph the be - trothed in old — age be - held". The melody continues with quarter and eighth notes, ending with a fermata.

the things foretold by the pro - phets clear - ly ful - filled,

The third system of musical notation for the Reader's part. The lyrics are "the things foretold by the pro - phets clear - ly ful - filled,". The melody continues with quarter and eighth notes, ending with a fermata.

hav - ing re - ceived a strange be - troth - - - al

and a rev - el - a - tion from an - gels who cry, —

Glo - ry to God, Who hath sent down peace up - on the earth!

(1) *Reader:* For He hath made His mercy to prevail over us,

And the truth of the Lord a - bi - deth for - ev - - - er.

Let us all praise the bro - ther of God, for he is a ho - ly

hi - er - arch\_ who shone forth no - bly al - so in

mar - tyr-dom, through whose prayers do Thou save

all who sing to Thee, O Je - sus, our God,

Who wast wrapped in swad - dling clothes in the cave.

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