

# The Great Blessing of Water

## Tone 8

Kievan Stichera Melody

- thrice -

S  
A

The voice of the Lord is up-on the wa - ters, He cri-eth say - ing:

T  
B

First system of musical notation for Soprano and Alto (S A) and Tenor and Bass (T B) parts. The music is in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are: "The voice of the Lord is up-on the wa - ters, He cri-eth say - ing:"

Come, receive ye all the Spi-rit of wis - dom, the Spirit of under-stand - ing,

Second system of musical notation for Soprano and Alto (S A) and Tenor and Bass (T B) parts. The lyrics are: "Come, receive ye all the Spi-rit of wis - dom, the Spirit of under-stand - ing,"

the Spi - rit of the fear — of God, of Christ made man - i - fest.

Third system of musical notation for Soprano and Alto (S A) and Tenor and Bass (T B) parts. The lyrics are: "the Spi - rit of the fear — of God, of Christ made man - i - fest."

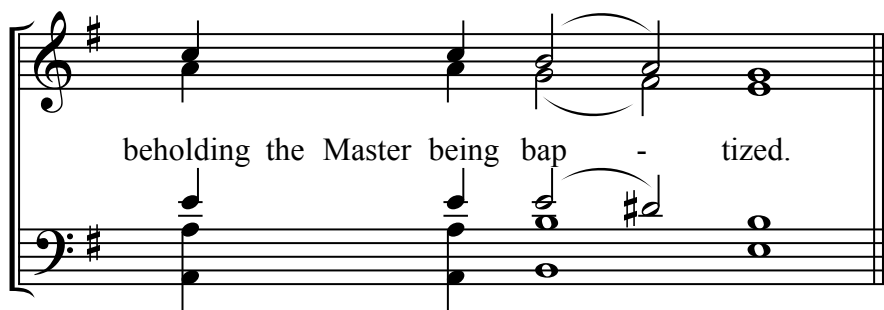
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To - day the nature of the wa - ters is sanc - ti - fied, and the Jordan is

Fourth system of musical notation for Soprano and Alto (S A) and Tenor and Bass (T B) parts. The lyrics are: "To - day the nature of the wa - ters is sanc - ti - fied, and the Jordan is

di - vi - ded: it turneth back the stream of its own — wa - ters,

Fifth system of musical notation for Soprano and Alto (S A) and Tenor and Bass (T B) parts. The lyrics are: "di - vi - ded: it turneth back the stream of its own — wa - ters,"



beholding the Master being bap - tized.

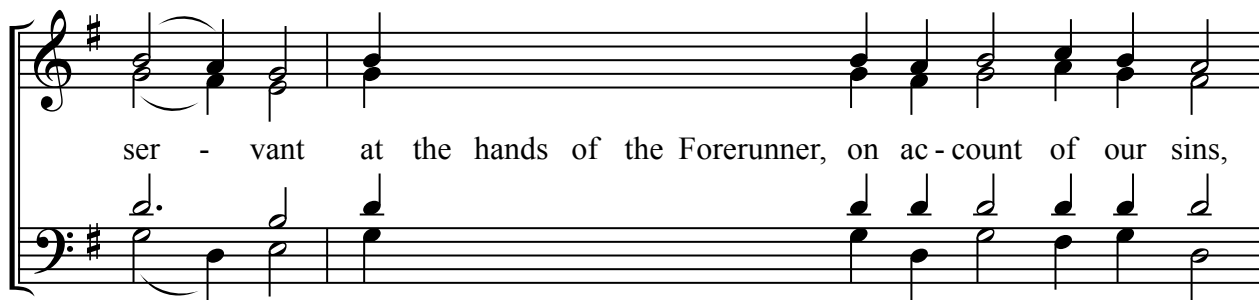
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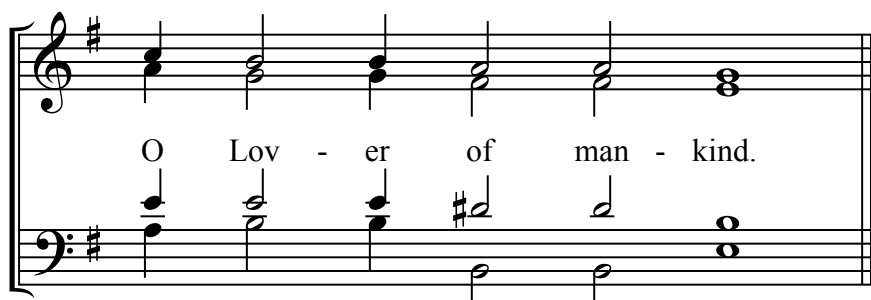
As a man, art Thou come un - to the riv - er, O Christ the King,



and Thou dost has - ten, O Good One, to receive the baptism of a



ser - vant at the hands of the Forerunner, on ac - count of our sins,



O Lov - er of man - kind.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, both now and ev-er,

and un - to the a - ges of a - ges. A - - - - men.

Un - to the voice of one cry - ing in the wil - der-ness: Pre-pare ye the

way of the Lord, Thou hast come, O Lord, taking the form of a ser - vant,

asking for baptism, while not know - ing sin. The waters saw Thee and

were a - fraid; the Forerunner was seized with trembling, and cried

a - loud say - ing: How shall a lamp il - lu - mine the Light?

How shall a servant lay his hand upon the Mas - ter? Do Thou sanctify both

me and the wa - ters, O Saviour, Who takest away the sin of the world.

Adapted from the translation of R-monk Laurence, Holy Trinity Monastery, Jordanville, NY