November 5: Martyrs Galacteon & Epistemi
Stichera on "Lord I have cried"
Tone 8, Special Melody "O most glorious wonder..."
Optina Hermitage

(3) *Reader:*   In the 8th Tone, Special Melody: "O Most Glorious Wonder"
For with the Lord there is mercy, and with Him is plenteous redemption;

II-chant melody

I-descant

And He shall redeem Israel out of all his in - i - qui - ties.
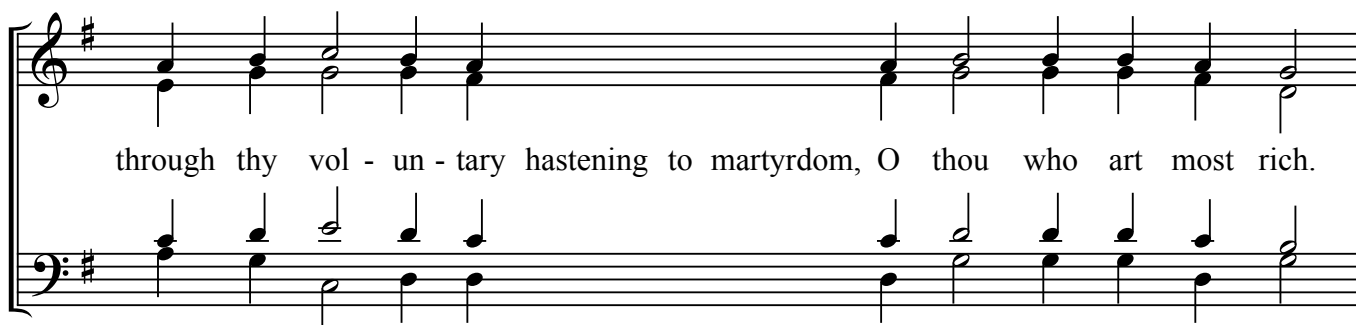
Nur-tured on the milk_____ of faith,   thou didst at-tain ma-tur - i - ty in Christ

because of thy man-y tor - ments and tribulations, O Ga-lac - te-on,

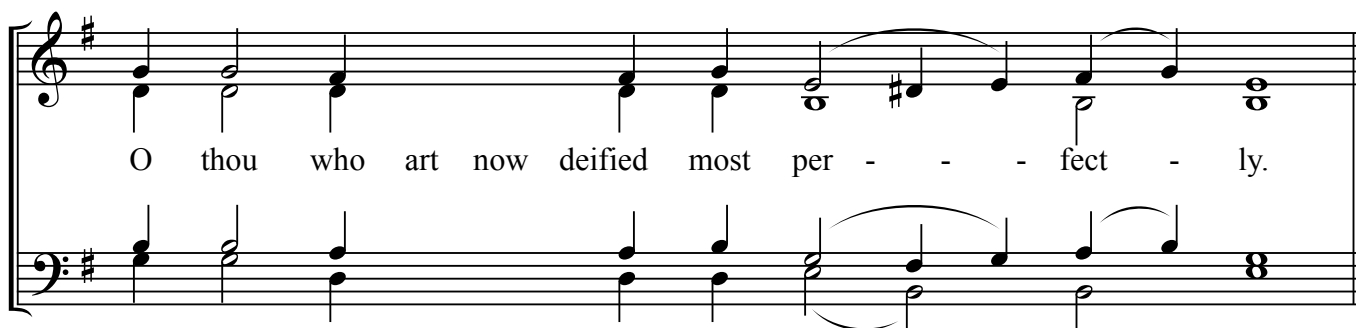hav - ing be-come an acceptable sacrifice and a perfect im - mo - la - tion

through thy vol - un - tary hastening to martyrdom, O thou who art most rich.
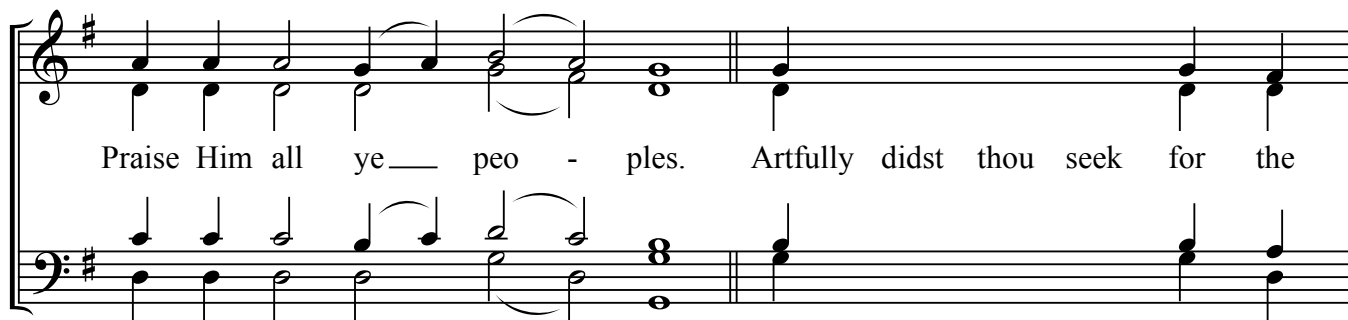
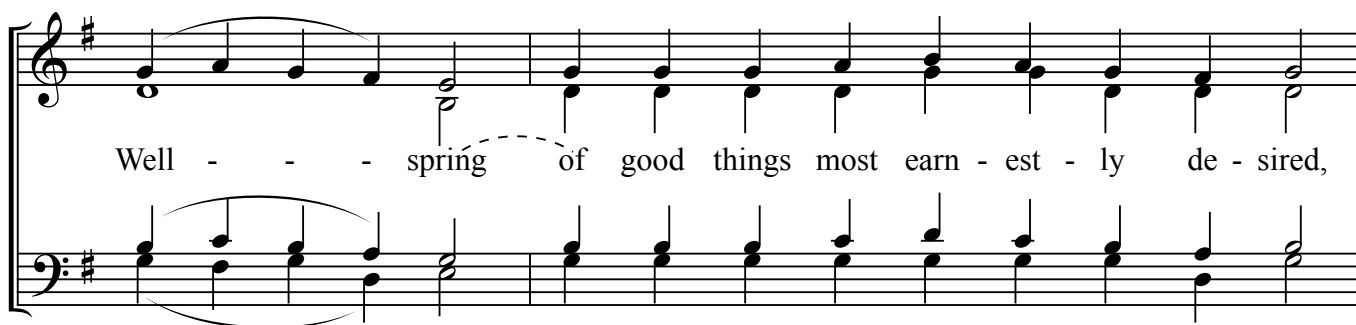O thy firm and stead - fast __ faith, where-by thou didst re - ceive God,

O thou who art now deified most per - - - fect - ly.

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

Praise Him all ye __ peo - ples. Artfully didst thou seek for the

Well - - - spring of good things most earn - est - ly de - sired,

and with the splen - dors there - of thou didst il - lu - mine soul_____ and mind,

O thou who art bless-ed of God; and with might-y opposition thou didst cast__ down

the an - cient ty - rant of great_____ craft, O much suffering martyr

Ep - i - ste - mi, thou di - vine a-dorn-ment of mon-as - - - tics.

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

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

The two all - ra - di - ant luminaries of the no - et - ic East

shine forth _____ with grace and piously illumine all cre - a - - - tion

with the trans - cen - dent splen-dors of their suf - fer - ings and the di - vine

flames of heal - ings. And honoring their most splen - - - - did feast,

we glo - ri - fy Christ who il - lu - min - eth all for __ their __ sake.