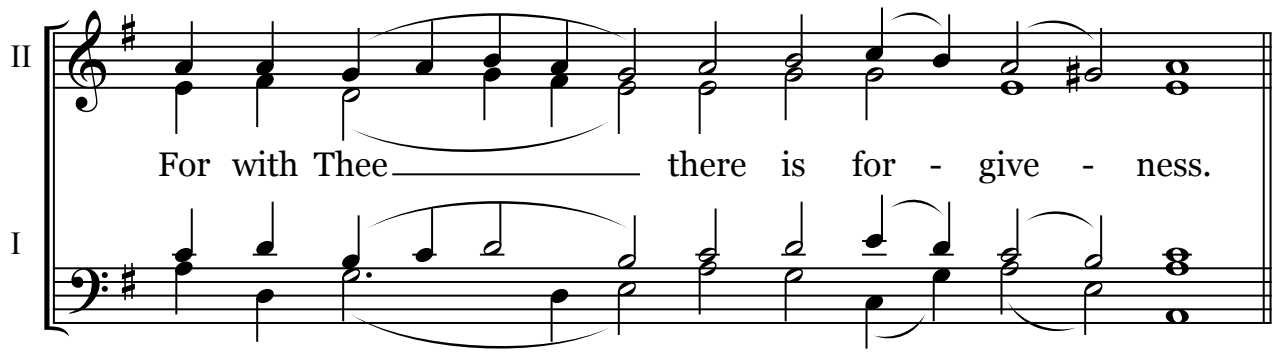
Stichera on "Lord I have cried"
Tone 6, Kievan Chant

(6) ***Reader:*** **In the 6th tone—**
If Thou shouldest mark iniquities, O Lord, O Lord, who shall stand?



O earth, and ye that are above the earth, leap up and rejoice! /

the Torrent of sweetness is baptized in the river, /

drying up the outpouring of malice; //

and He poureth forth divine remission.

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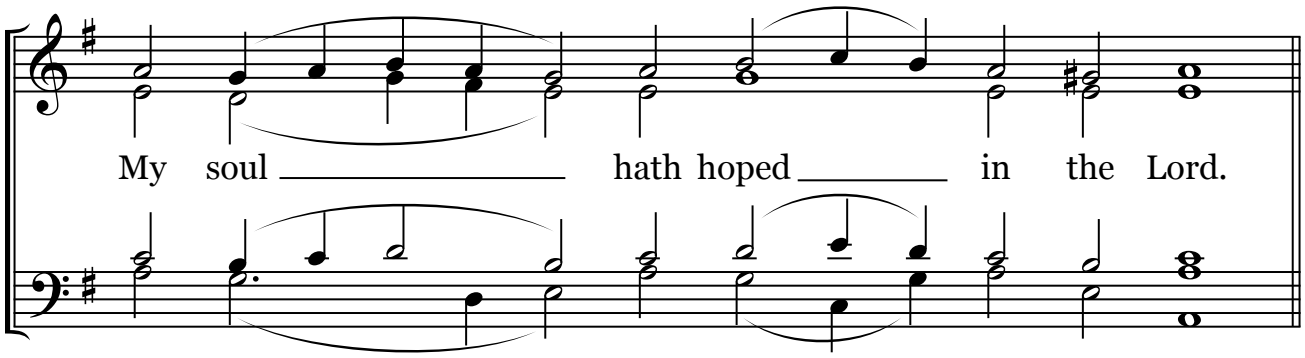
(5) ***Reader:*** **For Thy name's sake have I patiently waited for Thee, O Lord; my soul hath waited patiently for Thy word,**



As the Bestower of light, /

Jesus hath no need to be baptized, /

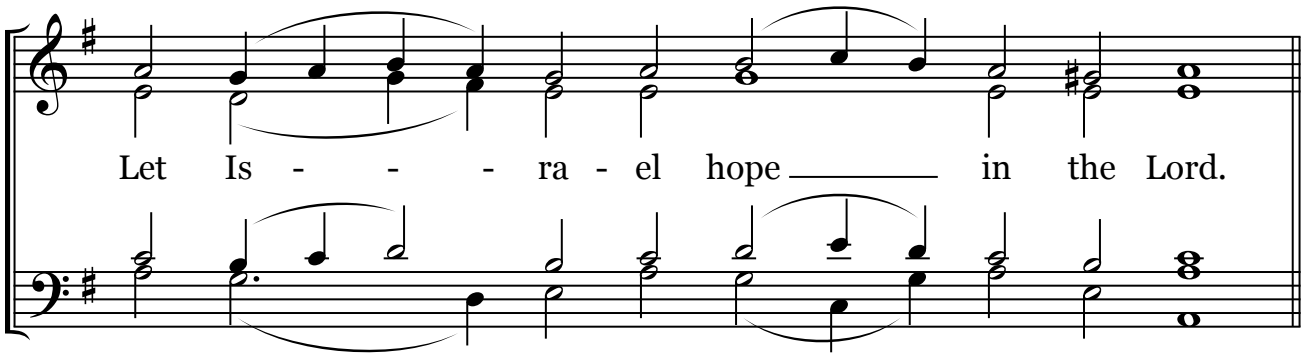
yet He cometh in the flesh /

to the streams of the Jordan, /

desiring to enlighten those who are in darkness. //

With fervor let us greet Him with faith!

(4) ***Reader:*** **From the morning watch until night, from the morning watch**



Having assumed the form of a servant, /

Thou comest to be baptized by a servant, /

in the streams of the Jordan, O Christ, /

delivering us from bondage /

to the ancient sin, //

sanctifying and illumining us.

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