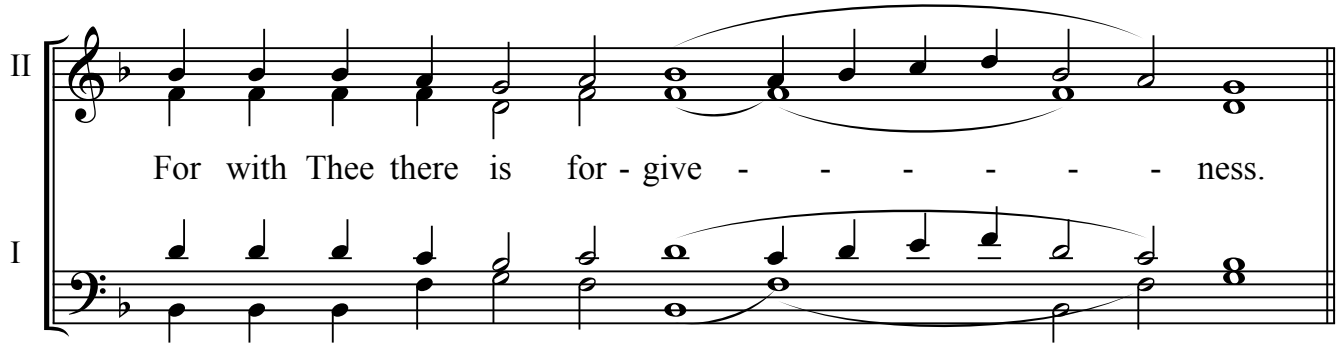
January 12: Afterfeast of Theophany
Stichera on "Lord I have cried"
Tone 8 - Kievan

(6) *Reader:* In the 8th Tone—
If Thou shouldest mark iniquities, O Lord, O Lord, who shall stand?

O sinless Lord, even though Thou didst deign /

to be baptized in the flesh, /

desiring to free the world from sin, /

yet do we glorify Thee, knowing Thee to be God; //

for, having been baptized, //

Thou hast delivered our souls from bondage.

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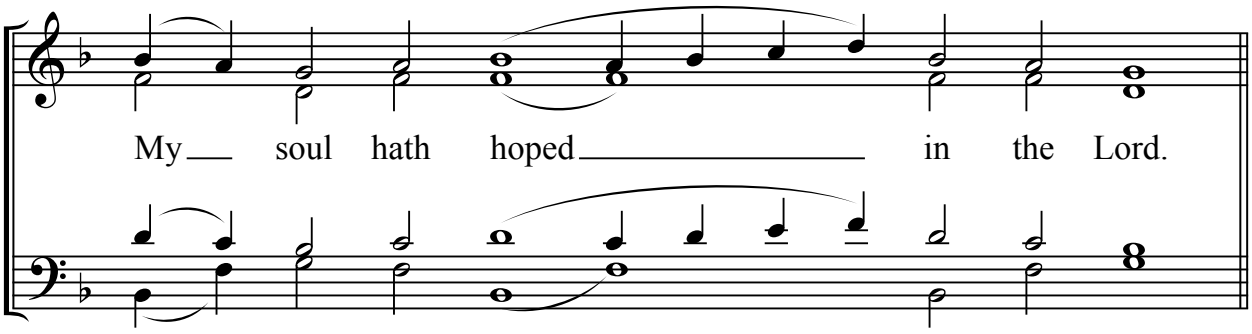
(5) Reader: For Thy name's sake have I patiently waited for Thee, O Lord;
my soul hath waited patiently for Thy word,



When Thou didst arrive, incarnate, /

at the streams of the Jordan, O Lord, /

to sanctify the water by Thy glorious baptism, /

Thou wast pleased to bow Thy head before John, /

and to be baptized by a servant, //

that Thou mightest save our souls.

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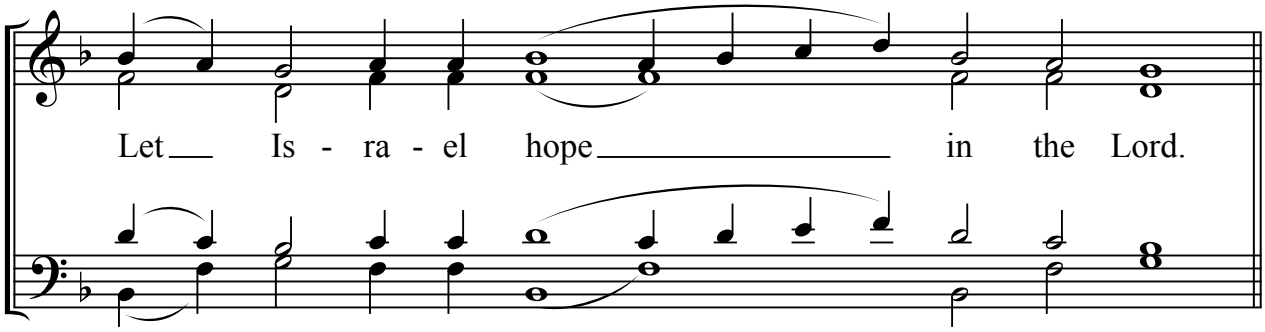
(4) *Reader:* From the morning watch until night, from the morning watch



Desiring to save from delusion /

the world which Thou hadst created, O Lord, /

Thou wast well pleased to become incarnate of the Virgin who knew not wedlock, /

and hast delivered Adam from corruption, /

in that Thou lovest mankind; //

and, having been baptized, Thou hast given enlightenment to our souls.

And 3 stichera of the Saint

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