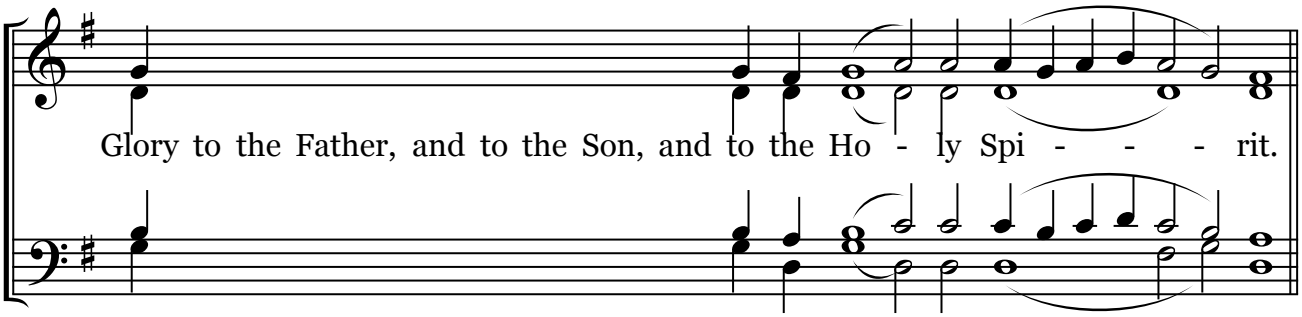
Reader: Glory, in the 4th Tone



From thy childhood thou didst love the Lord, /
O most blessed Phocas, wise hieromartyr, /
for, taking the weapon of the Cross upon thy shoulders, /
thou didst unwaveringly travel the path of salvation, /
and by Him wast thou shown to be the one who dwelleth with the angels, /
an opponent of the demons, //
and a most radiant intercessor for the world.

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