

The Gospel Stichera

Gospel Sticheron (1) - Tone 1

Glo-ry to the Fa-ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly Spir - it.

The dis - ci - ples went up in - to the moun - tain for the Lord's

as - cen - sion and, the Lord stand - ing be - fore them, they

wor - shipped Him. Taught by His au -

thor - i - ty, they were sent to all na - tions

to preach His Res - ur - rec - tion from the dead

and en - try in - to heav - en.

Christ, our God and Sav - ior and the sal - va - tion of our

souls, prom - ised faith - ful - ly

to be with them for ev - er - more.

Gospel Sticheron (2) - Tone 2

Glo - ry to the Fa - ther, and to the Son,
 and to the Ho - - - ly Spir - it,
 The wo - men came with Ma - ry, car - ry - ing myrrh and ask - ing
 a - mong them selves how to at - tain their end,
 but the stone was rolled a - way and a young man not
 of this world calmed the tu - mult of their souls say - ing:
 "Je - sus the Lord is ris - - - en.
 Tell, then, His mes - sen - gers and dis - ci - - - ples to
 hast - en to Ga - li - lee, where they will see Him ris - en
 from the dead as the life - giv - ing Lord."

Gospel Sticheron (3) - Tone 3

Glo - ry to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the
 Ho - ly Spir - it, When Ma - ry Mag - da - lene
 an - nounced the good news of the Sav - ior's Res - ur - rec - tion
 and His ap - pear - ing, the dis - ci - ples doubt - ed
 and, re - proached for their hard - ness of heart,
 were sent to preach armed with signs and won - ders,
 When Thou, O Lord, wast as - cend - ed to the Fa - ther,
 the Source of light, they preached the word in all pla - ces,
 con - firm - ing it with mir - a - cles. We there - fore, en - light - ened by them,
 glo - ri - fy Thy Res - ur - rec - tion from the dead,
 O Lord who lov - est man - kind.

Gospel Sticheron (4) - Tone 4

Glo - ry to the Fa - ther, and to the

Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir - it,

Ve - ry ear - ly in the morn - ing the wo - men went to Thy tomb, O Christ,

but they found not the Bod - y they sought.

Two men stood by them in shin - ing ap - par - el as they

stood per - plexed, and said: "Why seek ye the liv - ing

a - mong the dead? He is ris - en as He fore - told.

Do you not re - mem - ber His words?"

Be - liev - ing the vis - ion, they pro - claimed the good news,

but it seemed as i - dle tales, so cast down

were the dis - ci - - - - - ples.
 But Pe - ter ran and, see - ing, glo - ri - fied Thy mar - vels.

Gospel Sticheron (5) - Tone 5

Glo - ry to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the
 Ho - ly Spir - it, O how wise
 are Thy judge - ments, O Christ! How didst Thou
 from the grave - clothes ly - ing by them - selves,
 give to Pe - ter to un - der - stand Thy Res - ur - rec - tion?
 Thou didst con - verse on the way with Luke and Cle - o - pas
 and, while con - vers - ing, didst not re - veal Thy - self at

once to them, be - ing re - proached as the on - ly stran - ger
 in Je - ru - sa - lem who did not know the things
 that had come to pass in those days. Thou who dis - pos - est
 all things for the good of all, didst in - ter - pret the
 pro - phe - cies con - cern - ing Thy - self,
 mak - ing Thy - self known to them in the break - ing of bread,
 for their hearts were al - read - y a - flame with the de - sire to
 know Thee. They clear - ly pro - claimed Thy
 Res - ur - rec - tion to the as - sem - bled dis - ci - ples;
 there - by do Thou have mer - cy on us.

Gospel Sticheron (6) - Tone 6

Glo - ry to the Fa - ther, and to the Son,

and to the Ho - - - ly Spir - - - it,

Thou, O Christ, art the true Peace who giv - est the peace of

God to men. Thou didst show Thy-self af - ter Thy Res-ur-rec - tion

th the a - fright - ened dis - ci - ples who thought they saw a

spir - - - - it. But Thou didst calm

the tu - mult of their souls, show - ing them Thy hands and feet

and, while they dis - be - lieved their eyes, Thou didst eat with them.

Thou didst o - pen their minds to un - der - stand the scrip - tures

and the Fa - ther's prom - ise and, bless - ing them, wast -
 tak - en up to heav - en. There - fore we, _____
 with them, wor - - - - - ship Thee;
 O Lord, _____ glo - - - ry to Thee!

Gospel Sticheron (7) - Tone 7

Glo - ry to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, _____
 and _____ to the Ho - ly Spir - it,
 Lo, it was dark and ve - ry ear - ly in the morn - ing.
 Why _____ dost thou, Ma - ry stand _____ by the tomb,
 thy mind dark - ened with seek - ing where Je - sus was laid?

Lo, the dis - ci - ples, run - ning to the tomb,
 have tru - ly seen His Res - ur - rec - tion in the grave - clothes
 and the nap - kin, re - mem - ber - ing the words of Scrip - ture
 con - cern - ing this di - vine mys - te - ry.
 We, who be - lieve with them and through them,
 hymn Thee, O Christ, the Giv - er of life.

Gospel Sticheron (8) - Tone 8

Glo - - - ry to the Fa - ther, and to the Son,
 and to the Ho - ly Spir - - - it,
 Ma - ry's warm tears were not shed in vain,

for she was deemed wor - thy to re - ceive the proc - lam - a - tion
of the an - gel and the sight of Thee, O Je - sus.
But still hav - ing, as a weak wo - man, earth - ly thoughts,
she was for - bid - den to touch Thee, O
Christ, but was sent as a mes - sen - ger
to pro - claim to the dis - ci - ples
the good tid - ings of Thine as - cen - sion
to Thy her - i - tage with the Fa - - - - ther.
Make us wor - thy, with her, O Lord and Mas - - - - ter,
to see Thee as Thou art.

Gospel Sticheron (9) - Tone 5

Glo - ry to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the
 Ho - ly Spir - it, In the last days,
 on the Sab - bath in the eve - ning, Thou didst ap - pear
 to Thy friends and, by Thy wond - rous en - ter - ing
 through closed doors, didst con - firm the mir - a - cle
 of Thy Res - ur - rec - tion from the dead.
 Fill - ing Thy dis - ci - ples with joy,
 Thou gav - est them the Ho - ly Spir - it
 and the pow - er to for - give sins,
 and didst not leave Thom - as in the storm - y sea of un - be - lief.
 Grant us al - so the know - ledge of the truth

and the for - give - ness of our sins,
O com - pas - sion - ate Lord.

Gospel Sticheron (10) - Tone 6

Glo - ry to the Fa - ther, and to the Son,
and to the Ho - - - ly Spir - - - it,
Af - ter Thy des - cent in - to hell and Thy Res - ur - rec - tion
from the dead, the a - pos - tles, dis - cour - aged by
Thy de - par - ture, O Christ, re - turned to their work -
to their boats and their nets - but their was no catch.
Then, O Sav - ior, Thou didst ap - pear as Mas - ter of all,
tell - ing them to cast the net on the right side;

and Thy word was ful - filled straight - way. They took a great
 quan - ti - ty of fish, and a won - drous meal was pre - pared for them
 on land, of which Thy dis - ci - - - ples par - took.
 Grant us al - so, O com - pas - sion - ate Lord,
 to par - take of Thy mys - tic - al sup - per.

Gospel Sticheron (11) - Tone 8

Glo - - - ry to the Fa - ther, and to the Son,
 and to the Ho - ly Spir - - - it,
 Ap - pear - ing to Thy dis - ci - ples, O Christ,
 af - ter Thy Res - ur - rec - tion, Thou gav - est Pe - ter the
 charge of Thy sheep,

ask - ing him to tend them with care

as a re - com - pence for Thy love.

Where - fore, Thou didst say to him: "If thou lov - est

me, Pe - - ter, tend my lambs

feed my sheep."

Pe - ter then point - ed to the

oth - er be - lov - ed dis - ci - - ple,

and asked a - bout him.

Through their prayers, O Christ, save Thy flock

from the rave - - - - - 'ning wolves.