

Stichera on “Lord, I Call”

Triodion - Sunday of the Veneration of the Cross

Tone 5
Sticheron 1

Kievan Chant
arr. from B. Ledkovsky

Soprano
Alto

Shine, O Cross of the Lord! Il-lumine the hearts of those who

Tenor
Bass

hon-or you! With love in-spired by God, we em-brace

you, for you are the only hope of the world. Through you our tears are

wiped a-way, the snares of death are sprung, and we pass

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o - ver into ever - last - ing joy. Through the Cross reveal Your
 beau - ty to us, O Lord! Help Your servants who ask for mer - cy
 in faith! // Bestow upon us the fruits— of ab - sti-nence!

Sticheron 2

Soprano Alto

Hail, O life - bear-ing Cross: bright paradise of the Church, the

Tenor Bass

tree of in - cor - rup - tion! You have ob-tained for us the joy of

ev - er - last-ing glo - - - ry. Through you, the hosts of demons

are driv - en out; the choirs of Angels are a-mazed and re-joice;

the com - pa - ny of the faithful gathers in cel - e - bra - - - tion.

O un - con - querable weapon, unbroken strong-hold, triumph of Orthodox

Chris-tians and pride of priests, // by following you may we witness the

Passion and Resur - rec - tion of Christ — our God!

Sticheron 3

Soprano
Alto

Hail, O life - bear - ing Cross: the in - vincible weapon of

Tenor
Bass

god - li - ness, the gate of Paradise, the protection of the faith - ful!

The Cross is the might of the Church, through which corruption is

a - bol - ished, through which the pow - er of death — is crushed.

The Cross raises us up from earth to heav - en. The Cross is the enemy of
 Sa - tan. The Cross is the glo - ry of mar - - tyrs. The Cross
 is the haven of sal - va - tion, // and grants the world great mer - - cy.

Sticheron 4

Soprano Alto

Come, O Adam and Eve, our first father and moth - er, you fell
 from di-vine glo - ry through the en - vy of the mur-der - er of man!

Bit - ter was the pleasure of the Tree of old; but see, the honored

Tree of the Cross draws near! Run with haste and em-brace— it in joy,

cry - ing out with faith: "You are our help, O most-pre - cious Cross!

We eat of your fruit and gain in - cor -rup - - - tion! // We are

restored again to Eden, having re-ceived— great mer - cy!"

Doxastichon at "Lord, I Call"

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vs. *Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.*

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Tone 3

Soprano
Alto

Wish-ing to restore all man-kind— to life, You ac-cept - ed

Tenor
Bass

(our)

crucifixion, O Christ our God. Burn-ing with bound-less love— for man,

You took the quill of the Cross in Your hand; dip - ping it in

ink of roy - al crim - - - son, You signed our release with

A musical score for Kievan Chant, consisting of four staves of music. The music is in common time, with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The vocal line is in soprano clef, and the bass line is in bass clef. The lyrics are written below each staff.

Staff 1:

blood-stained fin - gers. Though temp-ta - tions as-sault us,

Staff 2:

may we nev - er for - sake You a - gain! Have mer - cy on Your

Staff 3:

de-spair-ing peo - ple, O long-suf - fer - ing Mas - ter! //

Staff 4:

Arise and fight Your en - e - mies in Your al-might - y power!