

# Stichera at "Lord, I Call"

Afterfeast of the Dormition - August 18

Russian Imperial Court Chant

arr. from L'vov/Bakhmetev

Tone 2  
Sticheron 1

Soprano  
Alto

Tenor  
Bass

With what unworthy lips shall we bless the Theo - to - kos?

She is more honored than the cre - a - tion, and more ho - ly than

the Cherubim and all the An - gels. She is the immovable Throne

of the King, the Abode in which the Most High has dwelt.

[ She is the sal-va-tion...]

She is the sal - va - tion of the world, the Ho - ly Place of God, //

Who richly grants unto the faithful great mercy on this her

ho - ly feast.

Sticheron 2

What songs filled with awe did all the Apostles of the Word

offer thee, O Vir - gin, as they stood round thy deathbed and

[ cried aloud in won-der ]

cried a - loud in won - der: "The Palace of the King with - draws;

the Ark of Holiness is raised on high. Let the gates be o - pened

wide, that the Gate of God may enter into a - bun - dant joy, //

she who without ceasing asks great mer - cy for the world!"

Sticheron 3

What spiritual songs shall we now offer thee, O most ho - ly one?

[ For by thy deathless Dormition...]

For by thy deathless Dormition thou hast sanctified the whole world,

and hast been trans-lated to the places a-bove the world,

there to perceive the beauty of the Al-might-y, and, as His

Mother, to rejoice in it ex-ceed-ing-ly. Thou art at-tend-ed

by ranks of Angels and by the souls of the just, O pure Vir-gin. //

[ Join them to ask for peace... ]

Join them to ask for us peace and great mer - cy!

The image shows a musical score for a church chant. It consists of two staves, a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature is one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are written below the staves. The melody is primarily composed of chords in the treble staff and single notes in the bass staff. A large slur covers the final two measures of the treble staff, encompassing the words 'mer' and 'cy!'. The bass staff has a similar slur under the final two notes.