

FOREFEAST OF THE NATIVITY OF CHRIST

Troparion - Tone 4

Holy Trinity-St. Sergius Lavra
Melody

Soprano
Alto

Pre-**pare**, O Beth - le-hem, for Ed - en has been

Tenor
Bass

Detailed description: This block shows the first line of the troparion. It features two staves: Soprano/Alto (treble clef) and Tenor/Bass (bass clef). The key signature is two sharps (F# and C#). The melody is primarily homophonic, with chords moving in parallel motion. The lyrics are: "Pre-**pare**, O Beth - le-hem, for Ed - en has been".

o - pened to all! Adorn ^{thyself,}_{yourself,} O Eph - ra - tha,

Detailed description: This block shows the second line of the troparion. It features two staves: Soprano/Alto (treble clef) and Tenor/Bass (bass clef). The key signature is two sharps. The melody continues with homophonic chords. The lyrics are: "o - pened to all! Adorn ^{thyself,}_{yourself,} O Eph - ra - tha,".

for the Tree of Life blossoms forth from the Vir - gin

Detailed description: This block shows the third line of the troparion. It features two staves: Soprano/Alto (treble clef) and Tenor/Bass (bass clef). The key signature is two sharps. The melody continues with homophonic chords. The lyrics are: "for the Tree of Life blossoms forth from the Vir - gin".

in the cave! Her womb is a spiritual paradise planted

Detailed description: This block shows the fourth line of the troparion. It features two staves: Soprano/Alto (treble clef) and Tenor/Bass (bass clef). The key signature is two sharps. The melody continues with homophonic chords. The lyrics are: "in the cave! Her womb is a spiritual paradise planted".

[with the Divine Fruit.]

with the Di vine Fruit: if we eat of It, we shall

live forever and not die like Ad - am. Christ is born to

raise up again what fell in former times, His im - age.