

Doxastichon

Dormition - August 15

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Kievan Chant

arr. from B. Ledkovsky

Tone 1

Soprano
Alto

Tenor
Bass

By the di - vine ——— command the God-bearing Apostles were caught
up by clouds from ev - 'ry place. When they came to your all - pure
body, the source of Life, they kissed it most rev - 'rent - ly. The
high - est Pow - ers of heaven were also present with their Mas - ter,

and, seized with awe, they escorted the in - vi - 'late bod - y,

the bod - y that had re - ceived — God in the flesh.

In a manner beyond this world they went before it and invisibly cried

out to the ranks a - bove — them: "Be - hold, the Queen of

all and Child of God has come! Lift up your gates, and

in a manner beyond this world receive the Mother of the ev - er -

last - ing Light, for through her was accomplished the salvation

of all the mor - tal race! We can - not gaze up - on her,

nor is it pos - si - ble to render honor wor - thy of her,

for her excellence surpasses all un - der - stand - ing." There - fore,

immaculate Theotokos, who live forever with your Son, the life - bear - ing

King, pray ceaselessly to Him to preserve the new peo - ple of God,

and to save them from ev - 'ry hos - tile as - sault, for we

have ac - quired your in - ter - ces - sion, and to the

ages, in manifest splen - dor, we call — you bless - - ed.