

# Stichera Aposticha

*The Dormition of the Theotokos - August 15*

Tone 4  
Sticheron 1

Kievan Chant  
arr. from B. Ledkovsky

Soprano  
Alto

Come, — O peo - ple, let us sing the praises of the

Tenor  
Bass

pure and most ho - ly Vir - gin, from whom the Word of the

Father ineffably came forth in the flesh! Let us cry a-loud and

say: "Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the

[womb that con-tained Christ.]

womb that con - tained — Christ! Having delivered thy soul

in - to His ho - ly hands, // O most pure one, entreat Him to

save — our — souls!"

*vs. Arise, O Lord, into Thy resting place: Thou and the Ark of Thy sanctification! (Ps 131:8)*

Sticheron 2

O pure and most ho - ly Vir - gin, the multitude of Angels in

heav - en and man - kind on earth ex - tol thy ven - 'ra - ble

[falling asleep . . . ]

falling asleep and call it bless - ed, for thou hast become the

Mother of Christ, our God and Cre - a - tor of all.

Never cease to intercede with Him on our be-half, we

pray, for next to God we have put our hope in thee, //

greatly-honored, unwedded The - o - to - - - kos!

*vs. The Lord swore to David a sure oath from which He will not turn back. (Ps 131:11)*

Sticheron 3

Come, O peo - ples, let us sing today to Christ our

God a song of Da - vid! As he says, "Vir - gins be - hind her

shall be brought to the King. They shall be brought with joy and

glad - ness." For she, through whom we have been made

Godlike, is of the seed of Da - vid,

[and gloriously and ineffably . . .]

and gloriously and ineffably commends herself into the hands of

her own Son and Mas - ter. Praising her as the Moth - er of

God, we cry out — to her and say: "Save us from all

distress, and deliver our souls from dan - gers, // for we confess thee

to be the The - o - to - - - kos!"