

# Stichera at the Praises

*The Dormition of the Theotokos - August 15*

Model melody: "As One Valiant among matryrs"

Melody from the *Sputnik Psalomshchika*

arr. by Fr. L. Margitich

Tone 4

Sticheron 1

Soprano  
Alto

Tenor  
Bass

At thy glo - rious Dor - mi - tion the heav -

ens rejoice, and the armies of An - gels ex - ult. The

whole earth is glad, addressing its funeral

hymn to thee, the Moth - er of the Mas - ter of

[all things,]

all things, all - ho - ly Vir - gin

who knew not wed - lock, / who hast de - liv - ered the

hu - man race // from the an - ces - tral con - dem - na - tion.

Sticheron 2

At a di - vine command, the chief A - pos - tles

ga - thered from the ends of the earth to bur - y thee,

[and when they saw thee]

and when they saw thee being taken

from the earth to heaven, they cried

out with joy in Gabriel's words: "Rejoice, chariot

of the whole Godhead! / Rejoice, for thou alone

by thy child-bearing // hast joined together

[things on earth . . .]

things on earth with those on high!"

Sticheron 3

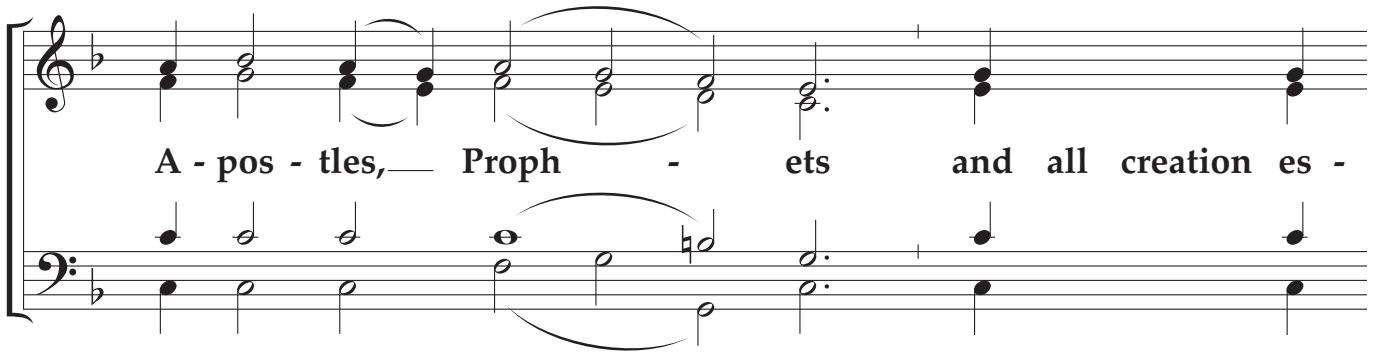
Vir - gin Mother, Bride of God, who didst car -

ry the Life within thy womb, by thy re-vered -

fall - ing a - sleep thou hast passed over to im-mor - tal

life. An - gels, Rul - ers and Pow - ers,

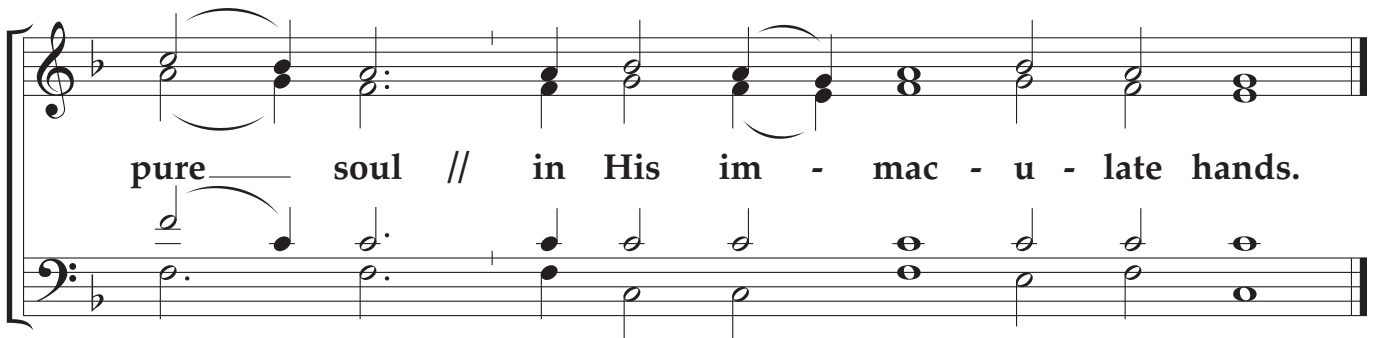
[A-pos-tles, Proph-ets,]



A - pos - tles, — Proph - ets and all creation es -



cort - ed thee, / and thy Son re - ceived — thy most



pure — soul // in His im - mac - u - late hands.