

Stichera at the Praises

The Dormition of the Theotokos - August 15

Model melody: "As One Valiant among matryrs"

Melody from the *Sputnik Psalomshchika*

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Tone 4

Sticheron 1

Soprano
Alto

Tenor
Bass

At your 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 you, the Moth - er of the Mas - ter of

[all things,]

all things, all - ho - ly Vir - gin

who knew not wed - lock, / who have 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 you,

[and when they saw you]

and when they saw you being taken

from the earth to heaven, they cried

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

of the whole Godhead! / Re-joyce, for you alone

by your child-bearing // have joined together

[things on earth . . .]

things on earth with those on high!"

Sticheron 3

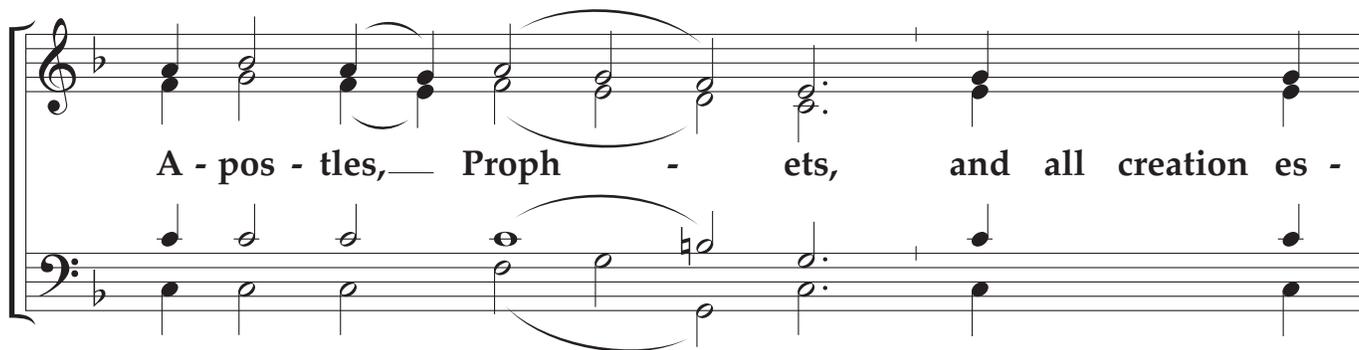
Vir - gin Moth - er, Bride of God, who car -

ried the Life with - in your womb, by your re - vered -

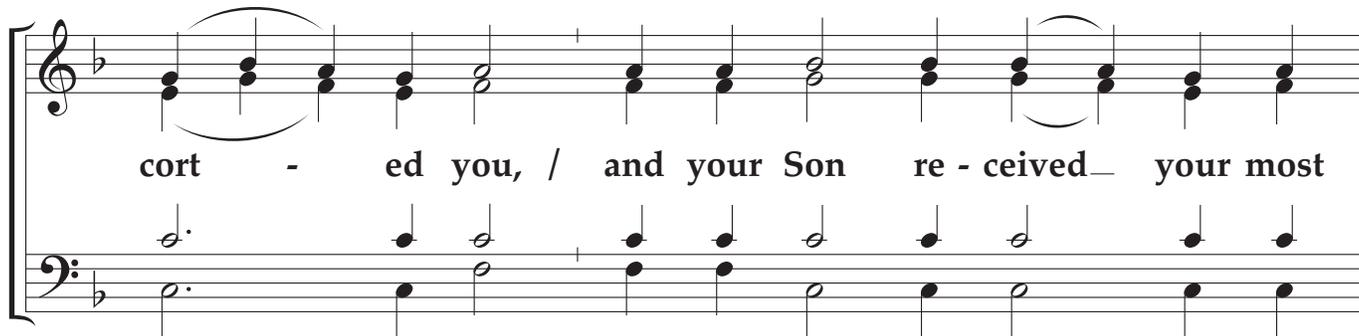
fall - ing a - sleep you have passed over to im - mor - tal

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

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



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



cort - ed you, / and your Son re - ceived - your most



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