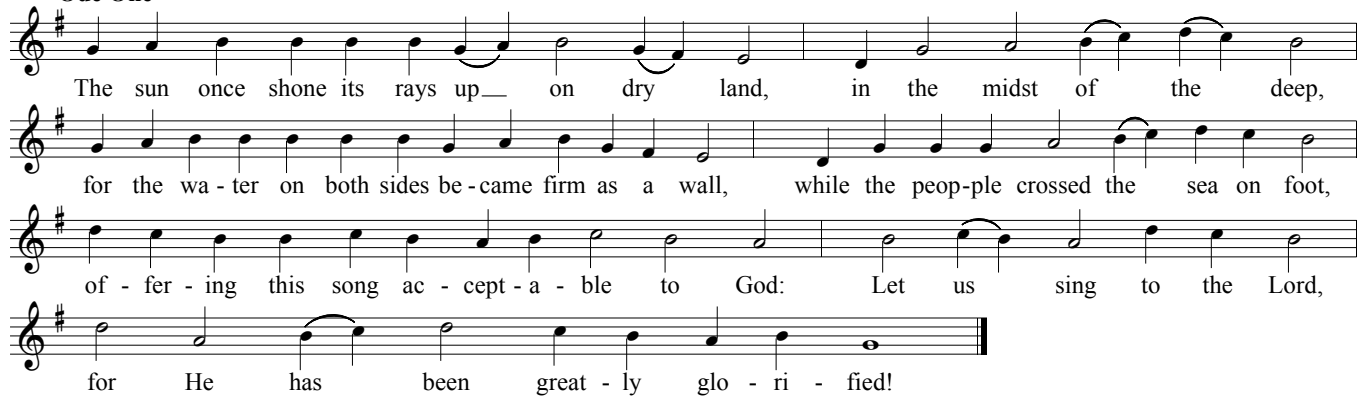


# Meeting of the Lord

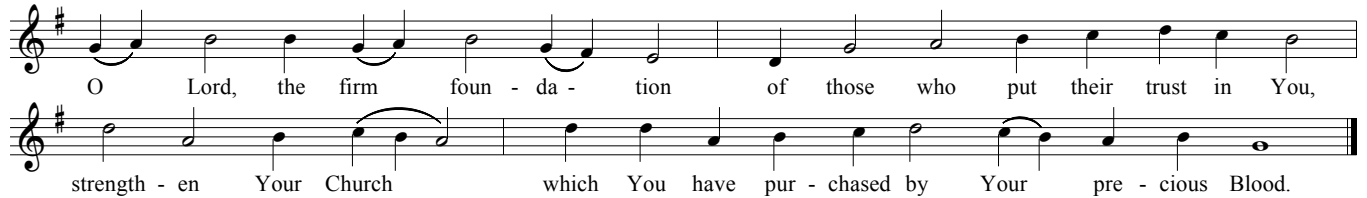
Matins Canon Melodies

## Ode One



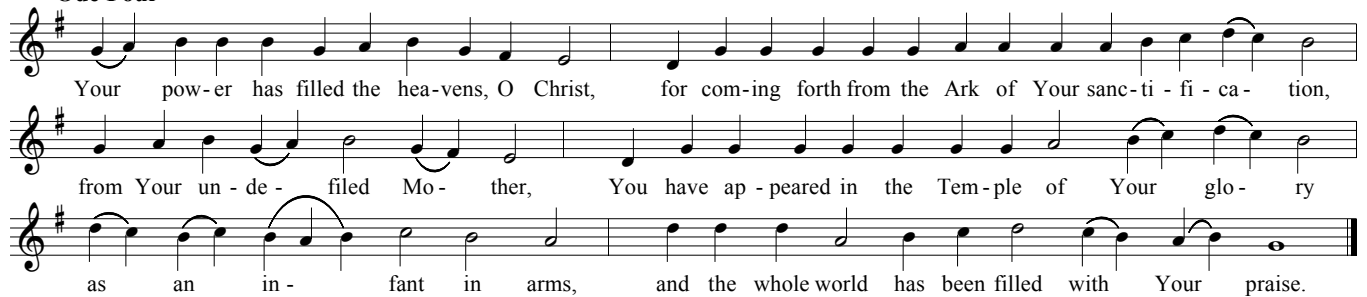
The sun once shone its rays up on dry land, in the midst of the deep,  
for the wa-ter on both sides be-came firm as a wall, while the peop-ple crossed the sea on foot,  
of-fer-ing this song ac-cept-a-ble to God: Let us sing to the Lord,  
for He has been great-ly glo-ri-fied!

## Ode Three



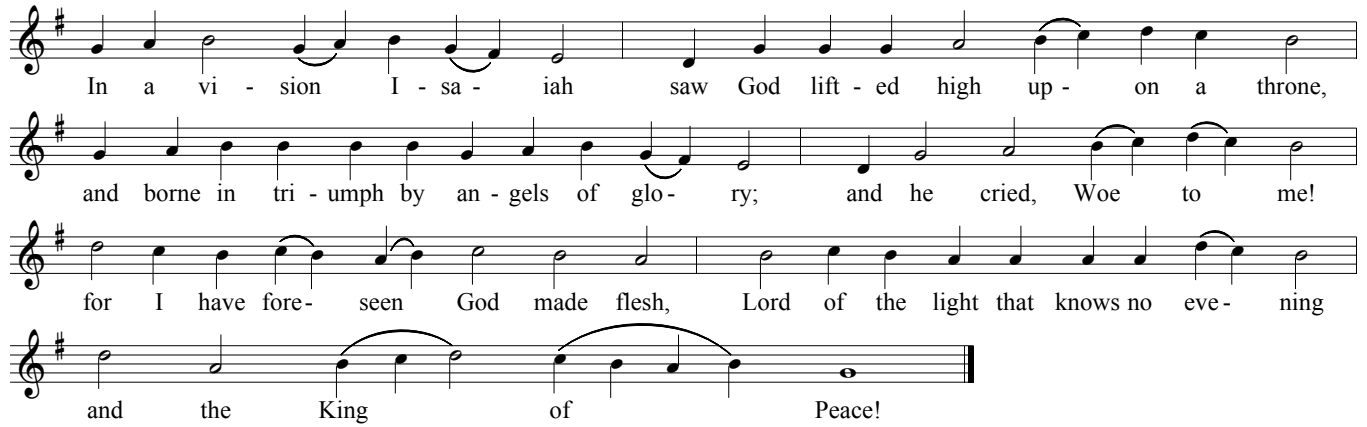
O Lord, the firm foun-da-tion of those who put their trust in You,  
strength-en Your Church which You have pur-chased by Your pre-cious Blood.

## Ode Four



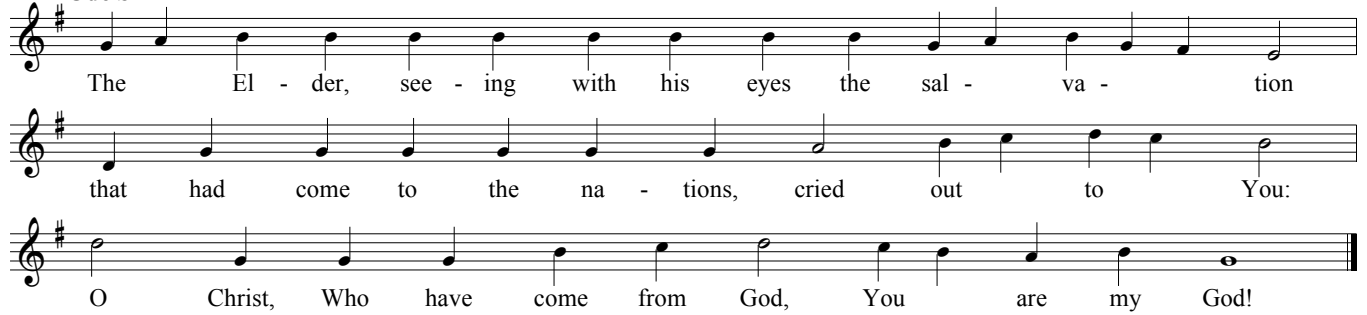
Your pow-er has filled the hea-vens, O Christ, for com-ing forth from the Ark of Your sanc-ti-fi-ca-tion,  
from Your un-de-filed Mo-ther, You have ap-peared in the Tem-ple of Your glo-ry  
as an in-fant in arms, and the whole world has been filled with Your praise.

### Ode Five



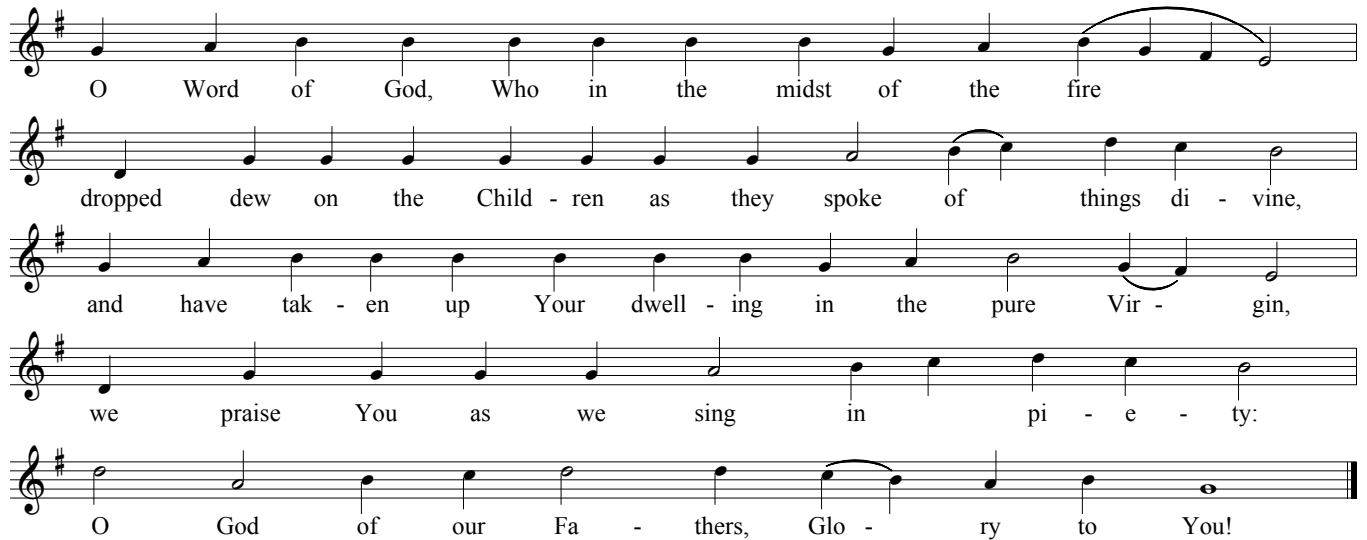
In a vi - sion I - sa - iah saw God lift - ed high up - on a throne,  
and borne in tri - umph by an - gels of glo - ry; and he cried, Woe to me!  
for I have fore - seen God made flesh, Lord of the light that knows no eve - ning  
and the King of Peace!

### Ode Six



The El - der, see - ing with his eyes the sal - va - tion  
that had come to the na - tions, cried out to You:  
O Christ, Who have come from God, You are my God!

### Ode Seven



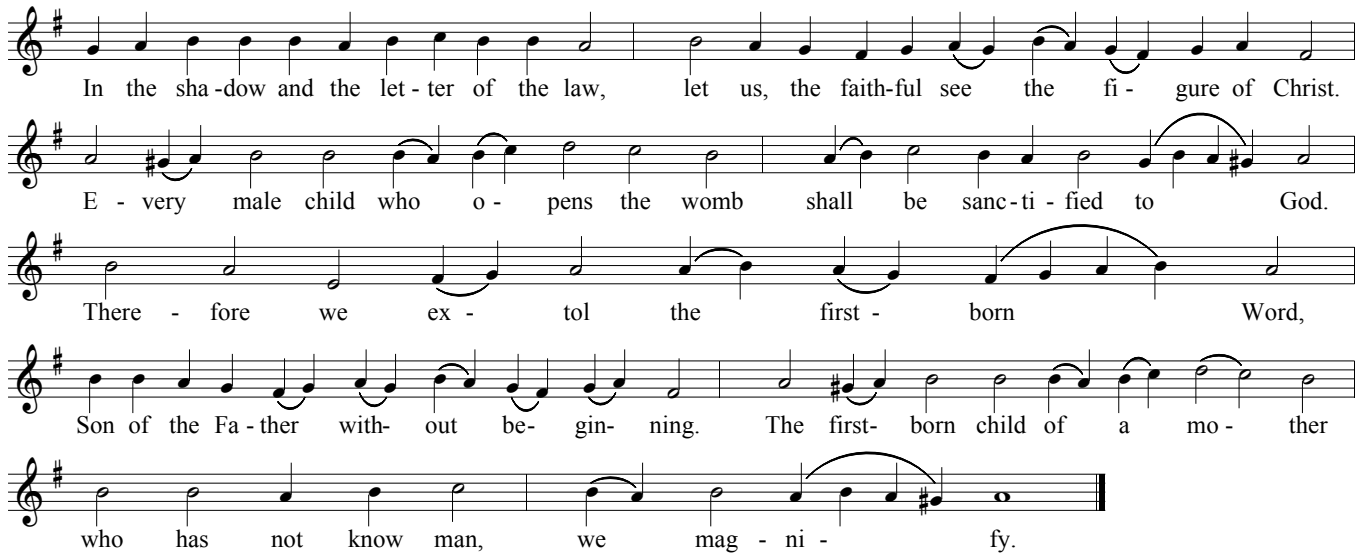
O Word of God, Who in the midst of the fire  
dropped dew on the Child - ren as they spoke of things di - vine,  
and have tak - en up Your dwell - ing in the pure Vir - gin,  
we praise You as we sing in pi - e - ty:  
O God of our Fa - thers, Glo - ry to You!

### Ode Eight



Stand - ing to - ge - ther in the un - bear - a - ble fire, but un - harmed by the flame,  
the Chil - dren, cham - pi - ons of god - li - ness, sang out the di - vine hymn:  
Bless the Lord, all you works of the Lord, and ex - alt Him a - bove all for - e - ver!

### Ode Nine



In the sha - dow and the let - ter of the law, let us, the faith - ful see the fi - gure of Christ.  
E - very male child who o - pens the womb shall be sanc - ti - fied to God.  
There - fore we ex - tol the first - born Word,  
Son of the Fa - ther with - out be - gin - ning. The first - born child of a mo - ther  
who has not know man, we mag - ni - fy.

## Glorifications for Ode Nine

### Glorification 1: The Virgin

O Vir - gin Mo - ther of God, you are the hope of all Christ - ians.  
Pro - tect, watch and guard all those who put their hope in you.

### Glorification 2: St. Simeon

O God - bear - ing Si - me - on, come and raise up Christ  
to Whom the Vir - gin gave birth.

### Glorification 3: St. Anna

The wise An - na, calm in spi - rit, awe - some - ly speaks out,  
ac - know - ledg - ing Christ as the Cre - a - tor of hea - ven and earth.

### Glorification 4: The Virgin

The pure dove, the un - spot - ted lamb, car - ries the Lamb and Shep - herd  
in - to the Tem - ple.