

Aposticha

Procession of the Honorable & Life-Creating Cross
Commemoration of the Seven Maccabee Children

Reader: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

Tone 8

Kievan

The souls of the righteous are in the hands of the Lord:

Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the forefathers be - fore the law was gi - ven,

the ancestors of the Mac - ca - bees whom we now praise.

4

For, as descendants of A - bra - ham might - y in soul,

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zeal - ous for the Faith of their fore - fa - ther A - - - bra - ham,

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they struggled lawfully even un - to death for_ pi - e - ty;

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for, having been raised in pi - - - e - ty,

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in suffring lawfully they de-nounced the ungodliness of the prideful An-ti-o - chus,

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and in valuing this tran - si - to - ry life as nought

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for the sake of that which is ev - er - last - - - ing,

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they _____ off - ered all to _____ God:

12

their souls, courage, un - der - stand - ing, their ten - der bo - dies,

This system contains measures 12 and 13. The music is in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. Measure 12 features a treble staff with a half note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, a quarter note C5, a quarter note B4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note G4, and a half note F#4. The bass staff has a half note G2, a quarter note A2, a quarter note B2, a quarter note C3, a quarter note B2, a quarter note A2, a quarter note G2, and a half note F#2. Measure 13 continues with a treble staff half note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, and a half note C5. The bass staff has a half note G2, a quarter note A2, a quarter note B2, and a half note C3.

13

and their rewards for having been raised in pu - ri - ty.

This system contains measures 14 and 15. Measure 14 has a treble staff half note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, and a half note C5. The bass staff has a half note G2, a quarter note A2, a quarter note B2, and a half note C3. Measure 15 has a treble staff half note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, and a half note C5. The bass staff has a half note G2, a quarter note A2, a quarter note B2, and a half note C3.

14

O the pi - ous root from whom ye sprang forth, O Mac - ca - bees!

This system contains measures 16 and 17. Measure 16 has a treble staff half note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, and a half note C5. The bass staff has a half note G2, a quarter note A2, a quarter note B2, and a half note C3. Measure 17 has a treble staff half note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, and a half note C5. The bass staff has a half note G2, a quarter note A2, a quarter note B2, and a half note C3.

15

O thy holy mother, who gave birth to the sons equal in num-ber to the days of the week!

This system contains measures 18 and 19. Measure 18 has a treble staff half note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, and a half note C5. The bass staff has a half note G2, a quarter note A2, a quarter note B2, and a half note C3. Measure 19 has a treble staff half note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, and a half note C5. The bass staff has a half note G2, a quarter note A2, a quarter note B2, and a half note C3.

16

Yet pray ye for us, together with your mother Sol - o - mo - ni - a

17

and the wise priest Eleazar, O Maccabees, when ye stand be - fore Christ_ God,

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for Whose sake ye labored to receive from Him the fruits of thy la - bors,

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and make ye earnest en - treat - y for man - kind;

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for what - so - ev - er He de - sir - eth He doth___ do,

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// and ful - fill - eth the desires of you who fear___ Him.

Reader: Now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

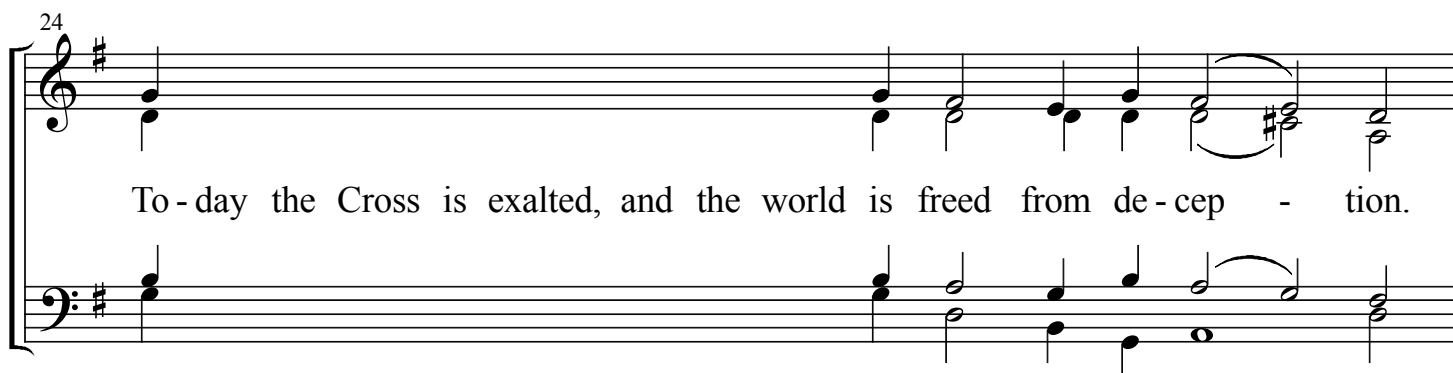
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O God, the words of Moses Thy prophet have been ful - filled, who said:

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"Ye shall see your life hang - ing be - fore your___ eyes!"

24



To - day the Cross is exalted, and the world is freed from de - cep - tion.

This musical system for measure 24 features a treble and bass staff in G major. The treble staff contains a melody of eighth and quarter notes, with a half note chord at the end. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and moving lines. The lyrics are written below the staves.

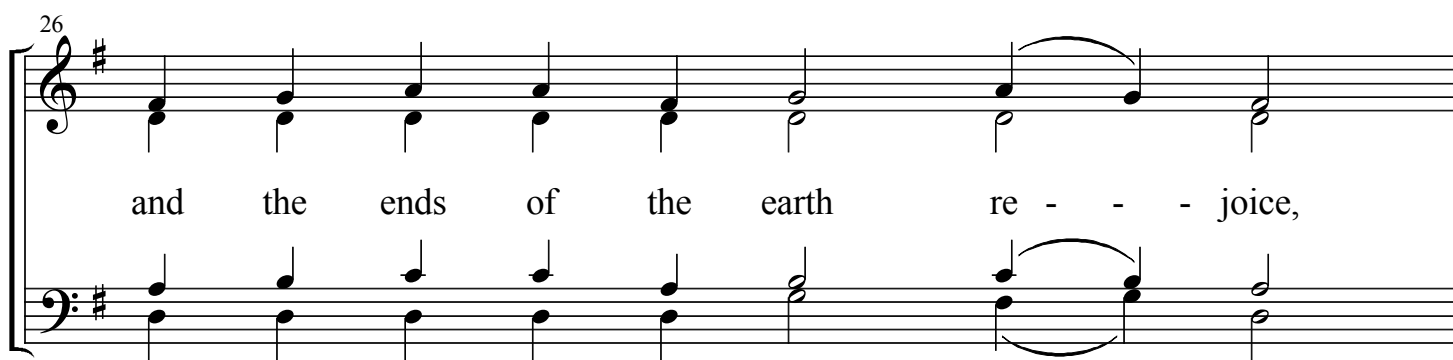
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To - day the resurrection of Christ is re - newed,

This musical system for measure 25 continues the melody and accompaniment. The treble staff has a steady eighth-note melody, while the bass staff uses chords and moving lines. The lyrics are written below the staves.

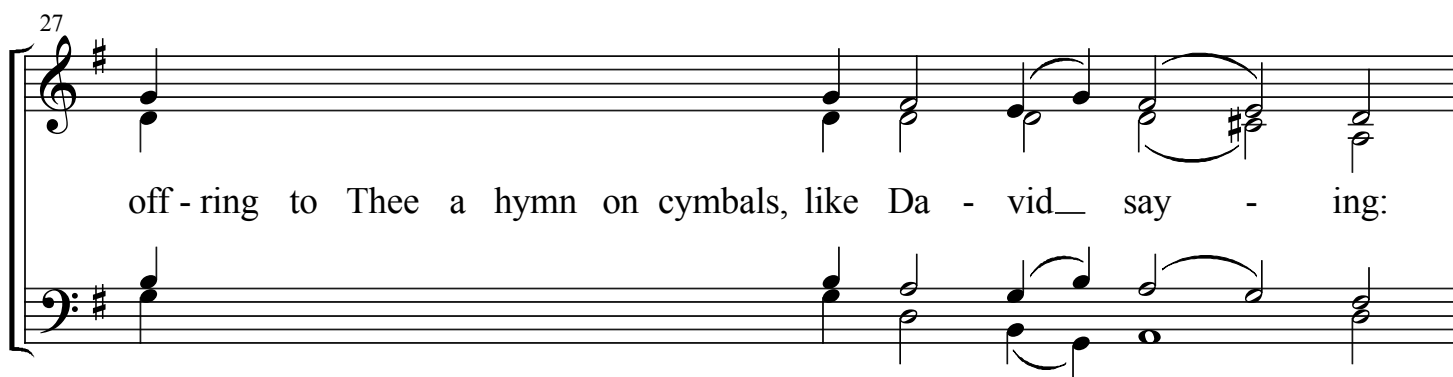
26



and the ends of the earth re - - - joice,

This musical system for measure 26 features a treble and bass staff in G major. The treble staff has a melody with a half note at the end. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the staves.

27



off - ring to Thee a hymn on cymbals, like Da - vid say - ing:

This musical system for measure 27 features a treble and bass staff in G major. The treble staff has a melody with a half note at the end. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the staves.

28

"Thou hast wrought salvation in the midst of the earth, O God:

29

the Cross and res - ur - rec - - - - tion!

30

For their sake Thou hast saved us, O Good One Who lov - est man-kind!

31

// O Al - might - y Lord, glo - ry to Thee!"