That He that once had hidden beneath the sea's waves the pursuing tyrant king hath been robed and concealed within the streams of the Jordan, that He, being cleansed therein as the ages, now made newly manifest be a servant, like a servant Thou dost bow Thy man, might cleanse me of every stain. With glory me unto God-like radiance through Thy di-
low; and, O Saviour, they extolled Thy con-
head, granting me re-fashioning and cleans-

Chanted in Compline
Ode One. Plagal of Second Tone

Heirmos:

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Lord my God and Saviour, a pre-
Both those things above earth, and those on the
That Thou mightest fill up all things with Thy

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song now to hymn the Feast of Lights shall I
earth, were amazed as they beheld Thee, Who

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robed and concealed within the streams of
sing unto Thee, Who to Thy splendour
wast man in fest on high before all
mere servant's form; and to the hand of

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the Jordan, that He, being cleansed therein as
dost lead me, mystic'ly regenerating

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head, granting me re-fashioning and cleans-

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Ode Three

Heirmos: Thou that hung-est the whole earth without sup-
First Thou didst show the Proph - ets Thy dread The-
Trem - bling with awe and ter - ror, the Jordan
Bap - ti - sm hath been grant - ed as great pro -
port on the pri - me - val wa - ters, cre - a - tion
o - pha - nny in signs and fi - gures; but now the
out - spread - eth his fleeing wa - ters, to wel - come
vi - sion for the soul’s sal - va - tion by Christ to
saw Thee cov - ered in running streams in
hid - den mys’ - tries Thou mak - est known through
our Cre - a - tor, now bap - tized bo - di -
those per - ceiv - ing the shin - ing - forth of
the flesh, O Lord, and she was seized with awe -
Thy might - y works, as Thou ap - pear - est o -
ly in the streams, and sanc - ti - fy - ing all
His light di - vine as they in glad - ness cry

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struck dread: There is no Holy One, save for pen - ly un - to all men to - day, and Thou that cry: There is no Holy One, save for a - loud: There is no Holy One, save for

Thee, O Lord, she cried to Thee. grant - est new re - birth to them. Thou Friend of man. Thou Friend of man.

ode four

Heirmos: When Ab - ba - cum fore - saw Thee com - ing
When Thou wast seen, ap - pear - ing bo - di -
Now the Fore - run - ner from the wild - er -
He that once turned the sea in - to dry forth to be bap - tized as man, he cried out
ly, then the wa - ters were blessed; the earth was ness com - eth forth, called by God, un - to the land, and from out of a rock made springs of

in - a - maze - ment: O Sav - iour, Thou hast mount - like - wise hal - lowed; the heav - en was made whol -
Jor - dan, say - ing: Re - pent ye, for the King - wa - ter gush forth, now mak - eth of the Jor -

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ed Thy horses in the sea, and they might

ly bright; and our mortal race was released

dom of Heaven is at hand, and it call-

dan's stream a refining forge that doth burn

i - ly trou - ble the man - ny wa -

from the en - emy's bit - ter ty - ran -

eth all men to the glo - ry of our

a - way tres - pas - ses by the Spi - rit's

ers.

ny.

God.

fire.

ode five

Heirmos: Thou hast shown Thy The - o - pha - ny to us,
Us born of earth Thou mak - est new, Thy - self,
Thou through the Spi - rit mak - est new our souls,
Born of her that had not trav - vailed, Thou, Whom

O Christ, for the sake of Thy mer - cy; and
the Mak - er, be - come the new Ad - am, with
and Thou sanc - ti - fi - est through wa - ter our
the Fa - ther be - gat - ere the a - ges, cam -
Esaías, rising early in the night,
the Spirit and with water and with fire,
constitute bodies, to re-fashion man
est forth unto the barren woman’s son

saw its endless light, and he cried aloud:
strange regeneration accomplishing,
as a living being; for Thou, O Lord,
and didst ask for Baptism as a man.

Ye enlightened, come wash you clean,
and a drowsy re-fashioning,
in wise forethought dost skillfully
But by water and Spirit Thou,

and purify yourselves both in soul and
without a smelter’s fire or a potter’s
provide the remedy for our twofold
O Saviour, mystically hast now made a-

body with water and the Divine
breaking renewing mankind through de-
nature, since Thou art the Healer of
bountiful in children the Church that once

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Ode Six

Heirmos: Seized with terror, but not checked by terror,
By enrollment, but not by enslave-
King Thou reignest, but no worldly king -
In the old times had the prince of this

ror was the most godly Baptist John;
ment, Caesar's decree dost Thou obey;
ship, for Thou by nature art a King;
world also so received the name of king

for though the grass had drawn back from the Fire
for though Thou grantest comfort unto us
and in the flesh, O Saviour, as begot
of all things in the waters; but, O Saviour

and tarried from approach ing,
from bondage and enslave ment,
ten of the tribe of Da vid,
saviour, by Thy hallowed cleans ing,

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yet hearing: Suffer it to be so now,
Thou payest tribute, and art subject will -
Thou didst inherit it David's kingdom and
he is destroyed and choked like Legion in

he ran, as a servant doing as coming -ly;
yet to freedom hast Thou now re -
his throne; yet Thou hast dominion ever -
the lake. And with Thine almighty hand, Thou

mand ed; and the divine voice, he
stored us, who had been for - m er - ly
last ing, Who with the Fa ther and
give est the gift of free - dom to

heard from on high, which bare witness to the
sold to the law of sin, and Thou hast vouch -
Spirt dost ever reign from before all
that which Thy hands have formed, which had been held

Son, Who was before all time.
safed adoption unto us.
time and shalt for ever more.
fast in bondage unto him.

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ode seven

Heirmos: Marvel past telling! He that had once in a
Once did a mantle Sunder in twain Jordan’s
Rivémost blessed! Which on receiving with-
That divine dying we show in image and
Verily, one is the Father, Son, and Good

fur-nace saved the three righteous Children from
running streams and figured Thine own Bap-
in itself the Creator baptized in
outward sign, when in water we descend
Spirit’s grace, which perfect eth all them who

the flame now bow-eth His head and doth ask for
tismon which rend-eth the robe of the passions
the flesh become-eth a spring flowing with life-
three times; and buried with Christ through the gift of
in faith long after the gift of most godly

Baptism from His own servant, to cleanse all
and doth weave a splendid garment of incor-
giving streams for the salvation of us who
Baptism, we also share in His rising
Baptism, receiving pow’r to become sons

them that cry out: Blest art Thou, O our
ruption for all that cry out: Blest art
sing these praises: Blest art Thou, O our
on the third day, and we cry: Blest art
by a-doption, and to cry: Blest art

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Thou, O Christ, our true God.  
Thou, O Christ, our Saviour.  
Thou, O God, our Saviour.  

God and our Redeemer.  
Com - ing, O Heav - en, hor - ror struck; and ye  
Ceased is the error of the foe, for now  
O gifts most strange and mar - vel - ous! And O  

Trem - ble, O Heav - en, hor - ror struck; and ye  
ly Bap - ti - sm to all faith - ful men, Christ  
the voice of one cry - ing in the wild - er - what grace di - vine! O long - suf - fering un -  

foun - da - tion - stones of the earth, quake ye with  
God there - by now wash - eth Ad - am clean  
ness doth shout: Pre - pare ye the way of  
told! For lo, the Mas - ter and Ar - ti -  

fear for lo, He is en - closed with wa -  
God there - by now wash - eth Ad - am clean  
ness doth shout: Pre - pare ye the way of  
told! For lo, the Mas - ter and Ar - ti -  

thers Who with wa - ter won - drously burnt the  
again and lift - eth up him that fell; He  
the Lord; make all His paths straight, saith he. For  
fi - cer, Who with - out sin hath put on my  

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sac - ri - fice of His right - eous Proph - et.
sham - eth the tyr - ant that had felled him;
look ye, the low and hum - bled val - ley,
na - ture, be - hold now in the Jor - dan,

Ye ho - ly Chil - dren bless Him; O ye priests
He o - pen - eth the Heav - ens; draw - eth down
the na - ture of all mor - tals, is made high
He cleans - eth me through wa - ter; and through fire

sing His prais - es; ex - alt Him, O
God's Good Spi - rit; and giv - eth un -
and ex - alt - ed; but brought low is
doth en - light - en; and through the Di -

ye peo - ple, to all the end - less a - ges.
to man to par - take of in - cor - ru - p - tion.
the mound - tain and hill of ad - ver - sar - ies.
vine Spi - rit, He ren - der - eth me per - fect.
Heirmos:  Mourn not without cause, ye mortals, which be
Thou wast made wondrous past nature when so
O Word, the whole earth was hallowed by Thy
Let all the earth leap in gladness; and let

choked in the meshes of despair, and guilt-
strangely begotten of the holy Vir-
birth, which was holy, as the heavens loud-
Heaven make merrily; let the whole world skip

ty because of working wicked deeds; in com-
gin in time before, O Word of God; now dost
ly declared Thy glory with its stars, and now
with delight; let rivers clap their hands; let the

punctuation of soul, come, let us all draw nigh un-
Thou magnify a mighty mystery: through
blest is the nature of the waters, as Thou
fountains and lakes, abysses and the seas, all

to Him that doth cleanse all, for He alone
Thy worshipful presence dost Thou most won-
art bodily baptized; and all our earth-
rejoice now together, for Christ is come

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is clean, and He granteth forgiveness
drously make the font rich in children,
born race hath ascended again to
to cleanse and to save fallen Adam

through holy Baptism.
through the Divine Spirit.
its first nobility.
through godly Baptism.

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