

September 14

Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Stichera on "Lord, I have Cried"

Tone VI

Znamenny Chant

Podoben: "Having Set Aside"

Adapt. & Arr. by Holy Cross Hermitage

Sticheron I

The Cross, lift - ed_ up on high, ex - horteth all cre - a - tion to_hymn the_

all-pure pas - sion of Him Who was lift - ed up_thereon; for_there-on_ hav-ing_

slain the one who slew_____ us, He gave life un - to the dead in that He is_

mer - ci - ful. And in the ex - ceed-ing great - ness of His good - ness,

He made them beautiful and vouchsafed them to live in the heavens.

Wherefore rejoicing, we exalt His name, and we magnify His ex -

tremere condescension.

Sticheron II

Moses pre-figured thee, stretching forth his arms on high, and

vanquished the tyrant Amalek, O precious Cross, thou boast of the

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 faith - ful, con - fir - ma - tion of suf - fer - ers, thou sav - iour of all the

8
 ven' - ra - ble. Wherefore cre - a - tion be - hold - ing thee lift - ted up is

8
 glad - dened, and keep - eth fest - i - val, glo - ri - fy - ing Christ Who, through

8
 thee hath gathered the dispersed in His ex - treme good - - ness.

Sticheron III

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 O all - honoured Cross, who art to - day ex - alt - ed, a - bout whom the

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ranks of an - gels stand in glad-ness, by div - ine command thou up - lift - est all

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who, for the stealing of the fruit, were driv - en out and were sunk in death. Wherefore

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we the faith - ful, ven - er - a - ting thee with hearts and lips, de -

8
rive from thee sanc - ti - fi - ca - tion, cry - ing out: Ex - alt ye

8
Christ, the all good God, and wor - ship His div - ine

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foot - - stool.

The Doxasticon, tone VI

Oh_ come, all ye_ na - tions; Let us_ bow_____down be -

fore_____the pre - cious Tree, whereby_ ev - er - last - ing right -

- eous-ness hath come_ to_ be. For he who by a tree deceived our

fore - fa - ther Ad - am is himself de - ceived_____ by the Cross.

And he_ who by_ tyr - an - ny held fast the roy - al house_ doth fall, _____

cast_ down by_ a_ strange_____ fall._____ By_ the_ blood of

God_____ the_ ven - om_ of_ the serpent is_ washed_____ a -

way. And the curse of the just_ con-dem-na-tion was lift - ed by_ the

Right - eous One when He_____ was con - demned by an_ un - just_

sent - ence. For it was fit - ting that the tree be healed
 by a tree and that by the suf - fer - ings of the Dis - pas -
 sion - ate One on the Tree the suf - fer - ings of the con - demned
 should be loosed. Glo - ry, O Christ our King, to Thy wise -
 dis - pens - a - tion toward us whereby Thou hast saved us all in that
 Thou art Good and lov - est man - kind.