

Katavasiæ of the Theotokos

Chanted from September 22 to November 7, from February 10 to the beginning of the Triodion, on the Second, Fourth, and Fifth Sundays of the Great Fast, and from the Sunday of All Saints to July 26.

Contemporary Byzantine Chant
Fourth Mode

Basil Crow

I shall o - pen my mouth to _ chant and with the


4 Spir - it shall I be filled, and words shall I

7 now pour forth un - to the Moth - er and Queen; and


10 I shall be seen in joy - ous ju - bi - la - tion, ac - claim - ing ex -

15 ultant - ly all _ of her won - drous deeds. Make stead - fast, O


20 ho - ly The - o - to - kos, thou liv - ing and nev - er - fail - ing spring,


24 
all them that form a com - pa - ny and gath-er for to


27 
praise — thy — name; and by thy grace di - vine, O

30 
Maid, deem them all wor - thy of glo-ry's crowns. When the Proph-et

34 
Ab - ba - cum, O Thou Most High, learned of the di -

37 
vine and un - trace - a - ble coun-sel of Thy pure — in-car -

41 
na - tion from the womb of the blest Vir - gin, he

44 
cried — out: Glo-ry to Thy pow - er, O Lord my God.

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All crea - tures were sore a - mazed at thy di -

51

vine — and — great glo-ry, Maid, O pure Vir - gin who hast

54

not known wed - lock; for thou didst

56

hold — in thy womb the God — of — all, and gav-est

59

birth — to the time-less Son, Who doth grant sal -

62

va - tion un-to all them — that ac - claim thy name.

65

On this di - vine and most hon-oured feast of God's all-ho-ly

70

Moth - er, let all of god - ly mind now cel - e-brate;

73

come, let us faith - ful - now clap our hands, and send up

76

glo - ry un - to the God Whom she hath borne.

79

No cre - at - ed - thing, but on - ly the Cre -

82

a - tor would the god - ly - mind - ed - Youths a-dore and

85

wor - ship as God; but man - ful - ly

88

tram - pling down threats of fire, they cried out: O su -

91

preme - ly - praised and all - ac - claimed One,

93

blest art Thou, O Thou Lord God of our Fa - thers.

96

We praise, we bless, ___ and we wor - ship the Lord.

100

Three ___ guilt - less Youths ___ cast in the fur - nace were

103

saved ___ by the Off-spring which the The - o - to - kos bare,

106

then in fig - ure and in type, now in ___ ver - y

109

truth ___ and ___ deed; and He hath gath - ered all the

112

world, which cri - eth out ___ in ___ chant: Ye works of

116

His, _____ O sing the Lord's prais-es, and ex - alt Him

120

great - ly for ag - es and ___ all ag - es. _____

123

_____ Let eve-ry earth born man ___ up - leap in the

128

spir - it, and now hold his torch on high; and let all the

131

bod - i - less, no - et - ic hosts ___ now cel - e-brate

135

joy - ous - ly the The - o - to - kos - 's sub - lime and sa - cred

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fes - ti - val, as they cry _____ out: Re -

141

joice, O thou all - bless-ed one, ev - er - vir - gin and pure

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Moth - er of our God. _____