Tone 6

1. IF YOU MARK INIQUITIES, O LORD, WHO CAN STAND, BUT WITH YOU FORGIVENESS IS THAT YOU MAY BE REVERED.

REVEALING to you the pre-eternal counsel, Gabriel came and stood before you, O Maiden; and greeting you he said: "Hail, earth that has not been sown; hail, burning bush that remains unconsumed; hail, unsearchable depth; hail, bridge that leads to heaven, and ladder raised on high that Jacob saw; hail, divine vessel of manna; hail, deliverance from the curse; hail, restoration of Adam, the Lord is with you!

2. FROM THE MORNING WATCH UNTIL NIGHT, LET ISRAEL TRUST IN THE LORD.

"YOU appear to me in the form of a man," said the undefiled Maiden to the chief of the heavenly hosts; "how then do you speak to me of things that go beyond man's power? For you said that God shall be with me, and shall take up His dwelling in my womb; and how, tell me, shall I become the spacious home and the holy place of Him that rides upon the Cherubim?

Do not mislead me with deceit; for I have not known pleasure, I have not entered into wedlock. How then shall I bear a child?"

3. PRAISE THE LORD, ALL THE NATIONS, PROCLAIM HIS GLORY ALL YOU PEOPLE!

"WHEN God so wishes," said the angel, "the order of nature is overcome, and what is beyond man comes to pass. Believe that my sayings are true, O all-holy Lady, most pure." And she cried, "Let it be done to me according

and I shall bear Him Who is without flesh, Who shall borrow flesh from me, that through this mingling He may lead man up to his ancient glory, for He alone has the power to do so."

GLORY BE TO THE FATHER AND TO THE SON, AND TO THE HOLY SPIRIT, NOW AND EVER, AND FOREVER, AMEN.

GABRIEL the Archangel was sent from heaven to announce to the Virgin the glad tidings of her conceiving; / and coming to Nazareth he pondered in amazement on this wonder. / "O, how shall He who dwells on high, Whom none can comprehend, be born of a Virgin? How shall He whose throne is in heaven and whose footstool is the earth be held in the womb of a woman? has been pleased whom the six-winged seraphim and many-eyed cherubim cannot gaze at a single word to be made flesh of this His creature. / It is the Word of God Who dwells within her. / Why then do I stand here instead of saying to the Virgin: "Hail, full of grace; hail, O pure Virgin; hail, O unmarried Bride; hail, Mother of Life, blessed is the fruit of your womb.

## HYMN TO THE MOTHER OF GOD

Hail Virgin Mother of God. Hail, and rejoice! Blessed are you, O Mary, The Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women Blahoslovena Ty v zhenakh and blessed is the fruit of of your womb.

For you have borne God, the Savior of our souls.

Bohoroditse Divo ra—dusya! Blahodatnaiya Mariye Hospod s'toboyu. I Blahosloven plod chreva tvoyeho.

> yako Spasa rodyla, yesi dush nashykh.

Alégrate, Virgen María llena eres de gracia. El Señor escontigo. Bendita eres entre las mujeres, y bendito es el Fruto de tu Vientre.

Porque has dado a luz al Salvador de nuestras almas.