

Stichera at "Lord, I Call"

The Expulsion of Adam from Paradise

Tone 6

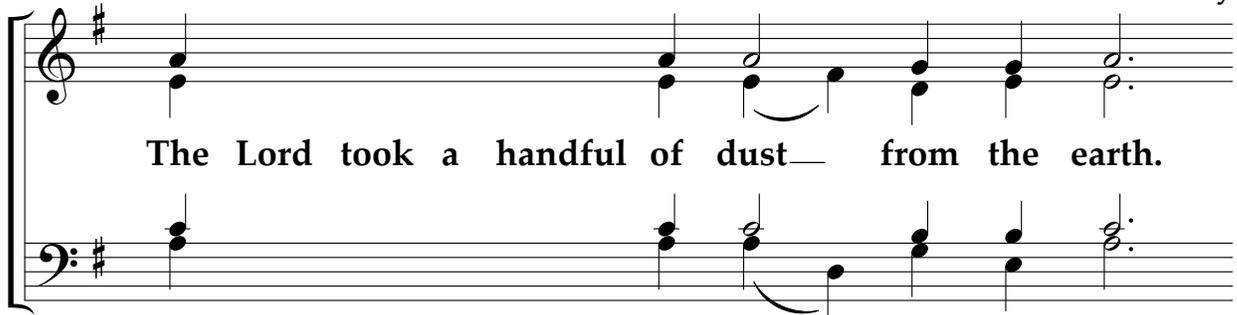
Sticheron 1

Kievan Chant

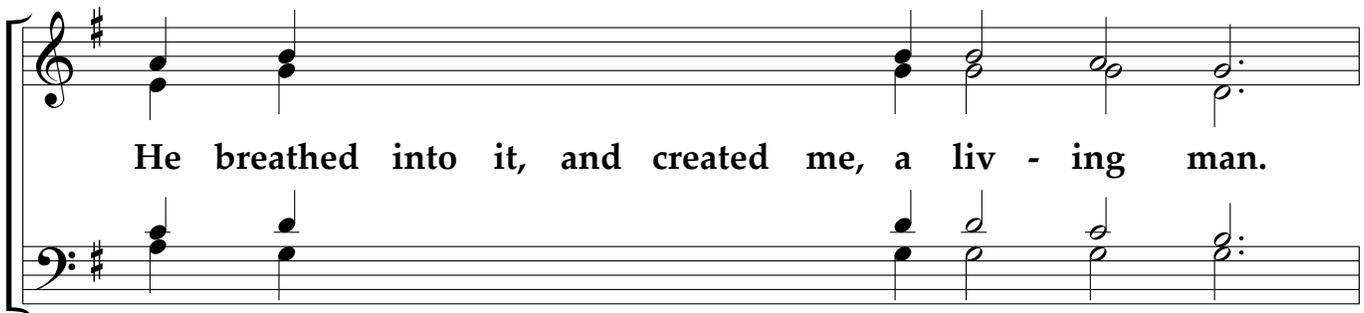
arr. from B. Ledkovsky

Soprano
Alto

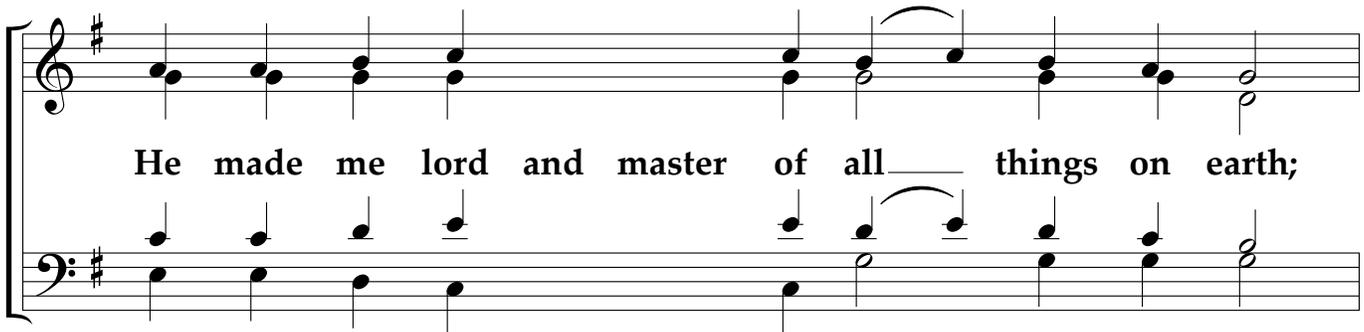
Tenor
Bass



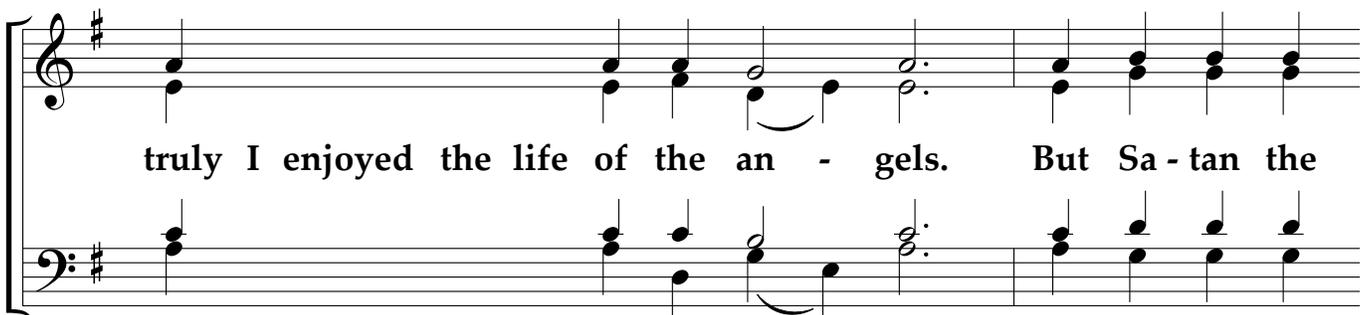
The Lord took a handful of dust from the earth.



He breathed into it, and created me, a living man.



He made me lord and master of all things on earth;



truly I enjoyed the life of the angels. But Satan the

[deceiver tempted me . . .]

deceiver tempted me in the guise of a ser - pent;

I ate the for - bidden fruit and forfeited the glo - ry of

God. Now I have been delivered to the earth through

death. // O my compassionate Lord, call me back to

E - den!

Sticheron 2

When the Ene-my tempt-ed me, I dis-o-beyed Your com -

mand, O Lord. I ex-changed the glory of my mortal

body for shame and na - ked-ness. Now I must wear

garments of skins and fig - leaves; I am condemned to

eat the bread of bitter hardship in the sweat of my brow.

[The earth is cursed . . .]

The earth is cursed and brings forth thorns and husks for

me. O Lord, You took on flesh from the Virgin in the

full - ness of time; // call me back and re - store me to

E - den!

Sticheron 3

O Paradise, garden of delight and beau - ty,

[dwelling-place made . . .]

dwelling - place made per - fect by God, un - end - ing

gladness and e - ter - nal joy, the hope of the

prophets and the home — of the saints, by the music of your

rustling leaves beseech the Cre - a - tor of all to

o - pen the gates which my sins — have closed, that I may

[partake of the Tree . . .]

partake of the Tree of Life and Grace, // which was given to

me in the be - gin - ning!

Sticheron 4

Adam was exiled from Paradise through dis - o - be - dience;

he was driven from eternal bliss, deceived by the words of

Eve; he sat naked and weeping before the gates of

[Paradise.]

Par - a - dise. Let us hasten to enter the season of

fast - ing; let us carefully obey the Gos - pel com - mands,

that we may be made acceptable to Christ our God, //

and re - gain our home in E - den!