

## ANTIPHONS FOR THE CIRCUMCISION OF CHRIST

(Only chanted on January 1)

### First Antiphon (Psalm 65, LXX)

*Verses (Intone in Second Tone):*

1. Make a joyful shout to God, all the earth!
2. Sing out the honor of His name; make His praise glorious.
3. Say to God, "How awesome are Your works!"

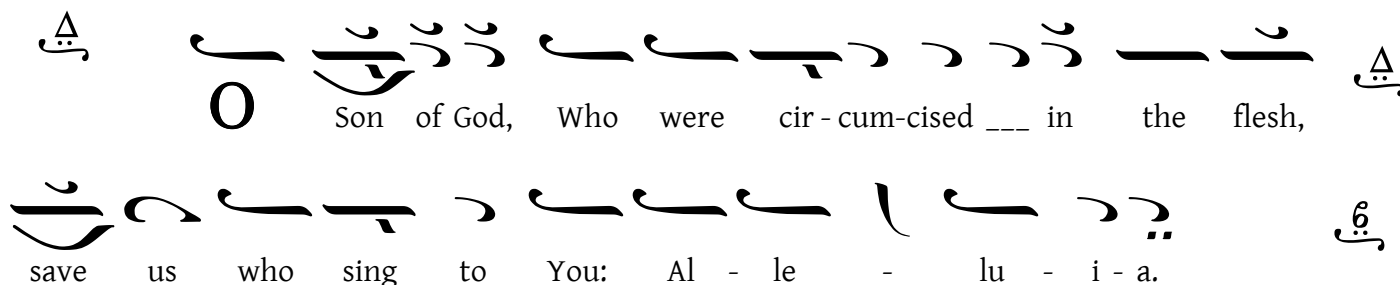
*Refrain:* Through the intercessions of the Theotokos...

### Second Antiphon (Psalms 95, 67, 49, LXX)

*Verses (Intone in Second Tone):*

1. Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad.
2. Sing to God, sing praises to His name.
3. Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty.

*Refrain:*



O Son of God, Who were cir - cum-cised \_\_\_ in the flesh,  
save us who sing to You: Al - le - lu - i - a.

### Third Antiphon (Psalm 88, LXX)

*Verse (Intoned in First Tone):*

Τὰ ἐλέη σου, Κύριε, εἰς τὸν αἰῶνα ἄσομαι.  
I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever.

*Next, if on a weekday, follows the Apolytikion of the Circumcision of Christ; if on a Sunday, the Resurrectional Apolytikion, then the Small Entrance hymn for the Circumcision of Christ, which begins the same as the regular hymn, "Come let us worship and bow down before Christ." If on a weekday, it is followed by the 2nd antiphon refrain, "O Son of God, Who were circumcised in the flesh..." If on a Sunday, finish with the standard 2nd antiphon refrain, "O Son of God, Who arose from the dead..."*

*On weekdays, repeat the Apolytikion of the Circumcision of Christ, and then chant the Apolytikion of St. Basil. On Sundays, repeat the Resurrectional Apolytikion, then the other two apolytikia for the Circumcision and Basil.*