

ORTHROS CANON OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD IN THE TEMPLE

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1. Vir-gin Moth-er, Mai-den pure, with-in you is now ful-filled what can - not be
un-der-stood by both an - gels and man - kind. 2. Now con - tained in the em-brace
of the El-der Sym-e - on, is the Ma - ker of the Law And Cre - a - tor
of all things. 3. Wish-ing A-dam to be saved the Cre - a - tor made His home,
ta-king for His dwel-ling place your most ho - ly vir-gin womb.
4. All the race of hu-man - kind calls you blest, O Vir-gin Pure, as they glor - i-
- fy with faith you, the Moth - er of our God. 5. Come to - day, be-hold-ing Christ,
Who is Mas-ter of us all, car-ried to the Tem-ple now, in the arms of

Sym-e - on. 6. Look-ing down up - on the world, You cause all the world to shake;

Old and wear - y, how can I hold You in my arms' em - brace. 7. Af-ter

search-ing ma-n-y years, Sym-e - on saw Christ at last, cry-ing out a - loud to Him,

"Now I ask for my re - lease." 8. You, O Ma-ry, have con-ceived Christ with-

- in your vir-gin womb, thus be - com - ing mys-tic tongs of the mys - tic

burn-ing coals. 9. You, O God be-fore all time, by Your will took hu-man form,

to the tem - ple now are borne as a child of for-ty days. 10. When the

Lord came down to earth from the Heav-ens high a - bove He was wel - comed in the

arms of the priest called Sym-e - on. 11. Make my soul and sens-es shine

with the bright-ness of Your light that in pur - i - ty I see and pro - claim that

You are God. 12. Pur-est Vir-gin Moth-er, why do you bring your new-born son

to the tem - ple, plac-ing Him in the hands of Sym-e - on? 13. Seek-ing

for re - lease, I come un - to my Cre - a - tor now, for my eyes have wit-nessed

Christ, my sal - va - tion and my light. 14. At the Lit-ur - gy on high, trem-bling

min - i - sters en - treat Him, on earth be - low now held in the arms of

Sym-e - on. One in na-ture: u-ni - ty; Three in per-sons: trin - i - ty. Save your

serv - ants and pro - tect all who put their faith in you. The-o-

- to - kos, as the hope, of all Chris-tians, and their strength

Guard, give shel - ter, and pro - tect all who put their hope in

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you. In the sha-dow and let-ter of the Law, Faith - ful Be - liev-ers, to us is re-

- vealed: that by o-pen-ing the womb is ev-ery male child ho - ly to God. The

first-born Son and Word of the Fath-er with-out be - gin-ning or end, the first-born

Son of a moth - er who has known no man, Him do we Mag-ni - fy.