

# 'Lord I Call' - Afterfeast - Ascension

Reader (7): Let Thine ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!

Tone 6

Obikhod

The Lord has ascended into heav - en  
that He might send the Com - for - ter to the world.  
The heavens prepared His throne, and the clouds His mount.  
Angels marvel to see a Man high a - bove them.  
The Father receives Him Whom He holds, co - eternal, in  
His bo - som. The Holy Spirit commands all His An - gels:

"Lift up your gates, ye princ - es! All ye nations, clap your hands:  
for Christ has gone up to where He was be - fore!"

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Reader (6): If Thou, O Lord, shouldst mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with Thee.

Tone 6

Obikhod

The Cherubim were amazed at Thine As - cen - sion, O Lord,  
beholding Thee, the God Who sittest en - throned up - on them,  
ascending up - on the clouds; and we glorify Thee,  
for Thy mer - cy is good. Glor - y to Thee!

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Reader (5): For Thy name's sake I have waited for Thee, O Lord, my soul has waited for Thy word; my soul has hoped on the Lord.

Tone 6

Obikhod

Beholding Thine ascension on the holy mountain,  
O Christ, Thou brightness of the Father's glory,  
we hymn the radiant appearance of Thy countenance;  
we worship Thy sufferings, we honor Thy Resurrection,  
as we glorify Thy glorious Ascension. Have mercy on us!

# 'Lord I Call' - Fathers-First Ecumenical Council

Reader (4): From the morning watch until night, from the morning watch, let Israel hope on the Lord!

Tone 6

Obikhod

Thou wast begotten from the Father before the Morn - ing Star,  
but Arius taught wrongly that Thou wast cre - a - ted.  
In his ignorance he designated Thee as a crea - ture,  
yet the Fathers of the Council in Ni - ce - a, O Lord,  
proclaimed that Thou art the Son of God,  
co - enthroned with the Father and the Holy Spir - it.

# 'Lord I Call' - Fathers-First Ecumenical Council

**Reader (3):** For with the Lord there is mercy and with Him is plenteous redemption, and He will deliver Israel from all his iniquities.

**Tone 6**

**Obikhod**

O Savior, who has torn Thy gar - ment? Who has challenged  
the unity of the triune God - head? It is Arius,  
for he denied that Thou art equal to the Fa - ther.  
Those who follow him do not believe that God took flesh for  
our sake, but the Fathers of the Council proclaimed Thee as Son  
of God, co - enthroned with the Father and the Holy Spir - it.

# 'Lord I Call' - Fathers-First Ecumenical Council

Reader (2): Praise the Lord, all nations! Praise Him, all peoples!

Tone 6

Obikhod

Arius fell into the abyss of sin,  
pretending blindness that he might not see the Light.  
By his purpose he became the image of Judas.  
But the Council at Nicea proclaimed Thee as Son of God,  
co-enthroned with the Father and the Holy Spirit.

# 'Lord I Call' - Fathers-First Ecumenical Council

Reader (1): For His mercy is confirmed on us; and the truth of the Lord endures forever.

Tone 6

Obikhod

The foolish Arius blasphemed the All - holy Trin - i - ty,  
dividing the Persons into three different unequal sub - stanc - es,  
but the God - bearing Fathers denounced his con - fu - sion:  
they assembled with the zeal of E - li - jah,  
destroying error with the sword of the Spir - it,  
as they were directed by the in - spi - ra - tion of God.

# 'Lord I Call' - Fathers - First Six Ecumenical Councils

Reader: Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

Tone 6

Obikhod

Today let us praise the mystical trumpets of the Spirit,

the God-bearing Fathers, who stand in

the midst of the Church, singing true theology,

praising the changeless Trinity! They laid

low the errors of Arius and upheld the Orthodox Faith.

They always entreat the Lord to have mercy on our souls.