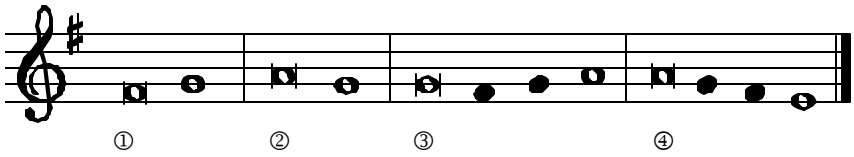
Canticle Colossians 1:12-20

Psalm Tone: Tone 4 Rus. Octoechos--Arr. by Sloan Rolando.



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Christ the first-born of all creation and the firstborn
from the dead

Let us give thanks to the Father
for having made you *worthy* ①
to share the lot of the *saints* in light. ④

He rescued us
from the power of *darkness*
and brought us
into the kingdom of his be-*loved* Son.
Through him we *have* redemption,
the forgiveness *of* our sins.

He is the image of the invisible *God*,
the first-born of all *creatures*.
In him everything in heaven and on earth *was* created,
things visible *and* invisible.

All were created *through* him;
all were created *for* him.
He is before all *else* that is.
In him everything con-*tinues* in being.

It is he who is head of the body, the *church*!
he who is the be-*ginning*,
the first-born *of* the dead,
so that primacy may be *his* in everything.

It pleased God to make absolute fullness reside in *him*
and, by means of him, to reconcile everything in his *person*,
both on earth and *in* the heavens,
making peace through the blood *of* his cross.

Glory to the Father, and to the *Son*,
and to the Holy *Spirit*.
As it was in *the* beginning,
is now, and will be for ev-*er*. Amen.

Text: New American Bible
Antiphon text: Liturgy of the Hours: According to the Roman Rite. ICEL

Canticle Colossians 1:12-20 used: EP Wed. WkI-IV, EPII Christmas, EPII Pres. of the Lord, EPII Annunciation, EP Archangels, & Comm. Ded. of a Church (Lent).