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 <u>darkness</u> and brought us into the kingdom of his be-<u>loved</u> Son. Through him we <u>have</u> redemption, the forgiveness <u>of</u> our sins.

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

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

It is he who is head of the body, the <u>church!</u> he who is the be-<u>ginning</u>, the first-born \underline{of} the dead, so that primacy may be <u>his</u> in everything.

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

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

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