

**Sunday before Nativity**  
**Doxasticon of the Praises**  
**Tone 8, Kievan**

*Reader:* Glory, in the 8th Tone:

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho-ly Spi - - - rit.

The compila<sup>̄</sup>tion of the teach<sup>̄</sup>ings of the law /  
doth reveal the divine birth of Ch<sup>̄</sup>rist in the flesh /  
as being from thos<sup>̄</sup>e who befor<sup>̄</sup>e the law, /  
procla<sup>̄</sup>imed the glad tidings of grace /  
to those who lived bey<sup>̄</sup>ond the law. /  
Wherefore, in that this birth is the means of del<sup>̄</sup>iverance from corrup<sup>̄</sup>tion, /  
for the sake of the resurre<sup>̄</sup>ction /  
they declared to the souls held fast in H<sup>̄</sup>ades: //  
O Lord, gl<sup>̄</sup>ory b<sup>̄</sup>e to Thee!

*Both now and ever... and the usual Theotokion:*

"Most blessed art thou, O Virgin Theotokos..."

*Great Doxology.*

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