

# September 26 & May 8: St. John the Theologian Kontakion, Tone 2

N. Bakhmetev  
Court Chant

S  
A

Who can re-count thy might - y works, O vir-gin a-pos-tle?

T  
B

Detailed description: This block contains the first line of the Kontakion. It features two vocal parts: Soprano (S) and Alto (A) on the top staff, and Tenor (T) and Bass (B) on the bottom staff. The music is in a minor key (one flat) and consists of a series of chords and single notes. The lyrics are: "Who can re-count thy might - y works, O vir-gin a-pos-tle?"

For thou pour - est out miracles and dost cause healings

Detailed description: This block contains the second line of the Kontakion. It features two vocal parts: Soprano (S) and Alto (A) on the top staff, and Tenor (T) and Bass (B) on the bottom staff. The music continues with a similar harmonic structure. The lyrics are: "For thou pour - est out miracles and dost cause healings"

to flow forth; and thou pray - est for our souls,

Detailed description: This block contains the third line of the Kontakion. It features two vocal parts: Soprano (S) and Alto (A) on the top staff, and Tenor (T) and Bass (B) on the bottom staff. The music continues with a similar harmonic structure. The lyrics are: "to flow forth; and thou pray - est for our souls,"

in that thou art a the - o - lo - gian and the friend of Christ.

Detailed description: This block contains the fourth line of the Kontakion. It features two vocal parts: Soprano (S) and Alto (A) on the top staff, and Tenor (T) and Bass (B) on the bottom staff. The music concludes with a final cadence. The lyrics are: "in that thou art a the - o - lo - gian and the friend of Christ."

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