

September 23: Conception of John the Forerunner

Troparion

Tone 4

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A

Make merry, O barren wo - man, who before wast unable to bear a child!

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For, lo! thou hast manifestly conceived the lamp of the Sun,

who will enlighten all the world, which suffereth from blind - ness.

Dance thou, O Zechariah, crying out with bold - ness:

He who will be born is the prophet of the Most High!

The musical score is written for SATB voices. It consists of five systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (Soprano and Alto) and a bass line (Tenor and Bass). The key signature is one flat (B-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are: "Make merry, O barren woman, who before wast unable to bear a child! For, lo! thou hast manifestly conceived the lamp of the Sun, who will enlighten all the world, which suffereth from blindness. Dance thou, O Zechariah, crying out with boldness: He who will be born is the prophet of the Most High!"