

To those whose loving faith in Him
Would save them from their sin.
O Herald of bounties and cheer,
 bounties and cheer!
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6. JOYFUL NIGHT, BOUNTIFUL NIGHT

(*Melody: Silent Night*)

Joyful night, bountiful night,
 Christ the Lord, the Source of Light,
Approaches the Jordan where John the Baptist
 Preaches repentance, calls all to be blessed.
O Trinity, God most holy,
 Revealed at the Theophany!
Joyful night, bountiful night,
 John the Baptist acclaims the Light.
He sanctified the waters for us;
 This brilliant Feast of Light gladdens us.
Jesus Lord, at Your baptism
Your Father revealed true wisdom.

The Holy Prophet
 John the Precursor
Calls us all to baptism.
Through Jesus our Lord
 We have our award,
God's bountiful reward!

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OF

THEOPHANY



Christ is baptized! — In the Jordan!

COMING TO BE BAPTIZED

(*Melody: Angels From Heaven*)

To the Jordan River
Coming to be baptized
Is the Lord, Christ the Lord.
Jesus will save us
By His baptism
In the streams of the Jordan!

Christ is baptized! — In the Jordan!
The Lamb of God, the Lamb of God
Will wash our sins away!
Christ our Lord is baptized....



SCEDRIVKY: THEOPHANY HYMNS AND CAROLS

According to the Ruthenian tradition
and the custom of the Byzantine Catholic
Church, Scedrivky are used during the
cheerful and bountiful season of Holy
Theophany.

1. WAKE, AWAKE, THE NIGHT DIES!

(Melody: Jesus Came from Heaven)

Wake, awake, the night dies!
Each prophet from of old cries.
Wake, you children of the Light!
Move from darkness of the night.
Lo, the Dawn shall banish sadness,
The rising Sun shall bring us gladness.
Glory, glory, glory, glory be to God
Who saves us!

Heed the prophets' warning!
Greet the Prince of the Morning!
Now His rule shall bring us peace.
So that wrong in us may cease.
Love and mercy are His treasure,
The seas and the skies obey His pleasure.
Glory, glory, glory, glory be to God
Who saves us!

Shadows be forsaken;
Time for us to awaken!
To the Lord our lives entrust.
Let us do this like the just.
Search the sky for heaven's portal;
The clouds shall rain God's Light Immortal.
Glory, glory, glory, glory be to God
Who saves us!

John the Baptist echoes the call:
"Repent and turn to the Lord of all!"
The Holy Trinity is shown:
God's true nature to us is known.
Choirs of all the heavenly host sing,
Chanting praise for Christ our true King.
Glory, glory, glory, glory be to God
Who is baptized!

His holy baptism now begins,
His public ministry against sin.
The gentiles will perceive the Light,
Shining brightly throughout the night.
John the Forerunner now steps aside,
For the Messiah with us will abide.
Glory, glory, glory, glory be to God
in the Trinity!

CHRIST IS BAPTIZED!

IN THE JORDAN! VO JORDAN' I!.

Let us Christians cleanse our hearts.
May all sin from us depart.
O let us each our holy souls prepare
For Christ to come and enter there,
The Savior.

2. THE WORD OF GOD APPEARS THIS DAY

(Melody: Wondrous News)

The Word of God appears this day;
John the Prophet turns to say:
"This is the Lamb of God,
Who takes away
The sin of the world."

Jesus stands in the River Jordan,
John the Prophet speaks to Him:
"You should baptize me,
O Sinless One!
Yet You come to me."

The Spirit of God comes as a dove;
The Father's voice resounds above:
"This is My Son,
My Beloved;
In Him, I am well pleased!"

The holy Theophany event
Expresses God's message to us sent.
The Father testifies
To His beloved Son.

The Holy Spirit this ratifies.

The Lord is manifest today,
In Jordan's currents we all say:
"O Lord, our great Delight,
At Your Theophany,
Your Light has shown its great might!"

O Great Source of Eternal Light!
Your manifestation restores our sight.
The Trinity is revealed;
Our God is not concealed!
For us, the Theophany brings delight.

His public ministry against sin.
The gentiles will perceive the Light,
Shining brightly throughout the night.
John the Forerunner now steps aside,
For the Messiah with us will abide.
Glory, glory, glory, glory be to God
in the Trinity!

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IN THE JORDAN! VO JORDAN' I!.

Into the Jordan's waters,
The blessed Savior came,
And offered a new life to all
Who turn from sin and shame,

For us You are Salvation, O Lord, Our Refuge and our great Reward. Upon Your people once again You shine And fill the world with Your love divine, O Savior.

We sing Your praise, O eternal Son.
You came so God's will may be done.
With Your Father, we all now adore
The Holy Spirit furthermore,
O Savior.

4. THE GLORY OF THE LORD HAS COME

(Melody: O Little Town of Bethlehem)

The glory of the Lord has come.
The Day of Light is here.
The Father's own beloved Son
With glory does appear.
Our days of waiting are past
Jesus now enters in.
He frees us with His love at last,
And cleanses all our sin.

The glory of the Lord has come.
The Day of Light is here.
The Father's own beloved Son
With glory does appear.
The prophet comes to clear the way,
As he makes straight the path.
For now the night shall turn to day;
God's Son has come at last!

5. THE PROPHET JOHN PROCLAIMED THE WORD

(Melody: God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen)

The Prophet John proclaimed the Word,
Whose path he worked to clear.
And told the people gathered there
The Lord was drawing near.
The Lord Whose gift of baptism
Would save them from their sin.
O Herald of bounties and cheer,
O Herald of bounties and cheer!

3. JOHN THE BAPTIST ECHOES THE GOSPEL

(Melody: In the Town of Bethlehem)

John the Baptist echoes the cry;
To the Jordan the Lord draws nigh.
Awake and harken, for he now brings
Glad tidings of the King of Kings,
The Savior.

Let us Christians cleanse our hearts.
May all sin from us depart.
O let us each our holy souls prepare
For Christ to come and enter there,
The Savior.