

Rachmaninoff — Vespers

11. Величит душа моя господа

(11. My soul magnifies the Lord)





English translation: My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior! More honorable than the Cherubim, and more glorious beyond compare than the Seraphim! Without defilement you gave birth to God the Word; true Theotokos we magnify you. For he has regarded the low estate of his handmaiden. For behold, henceforth all generations will call me blessed; More honorable than the Cherubim,... For he who is mighty has done great things for me, and holy is his name. And his mercy is on those who fear him from generation to generation. More honorable than the Cherubim,... He has shown strength with his arm, he has scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts, More honorable than the Cherubim,... He has put down the mighty from their thrones, and exalted those of low degree; he has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he has sent empty away. More honorable than the Cherubim, and more glorious beyond compare than the Seraphim! Without defilement you gave birth to God the Word; true Theotokos we magnify you.