What shall we now call thee, O Saint of God? Holy John the Theologian, hymn-wright.

David, sweet of song! Wondrous harp moved by the Spirit, or a shepherd's tuneful pipe?

For thou dost sweet-en both the hearing and the mind; thou mak-est glad the
blest as sem---bies of the Church,
and thy mel-li-ious words
a-dorn with their mag-ni-fi-
cence all the earth.

thou en-treat Christ
the Sav-iour that our souls be

Saved.
What shall we now call thee, O wondrous one, wise and sweetly speaking, John, thou great and bright shining star, thou whose vision was illumined with the Trinity's clear light.

For entering the Spirit's darkness, thou wast instructed in the
things of God — no man may speak;
and then, like Moses, thou didst
explain all things with musical
elegance.

thou entreat Christ
the Saviour that our souls be saved.
What shall we now call thee, O glorious John, shining torch that bringeth light, or an instinct of great of fame, sacred priest or true beholder of the mysteries of God, a star that doth adorn the Church with majesty a lamp stand shining
(12/4 - St. John of Damascus)

brightly on those in the dark,

a most harmonious in-

strument; a trumpet sound-ing

with comely strains?

Do thou entreat Christ

the Saviour that our souls be

saved.