

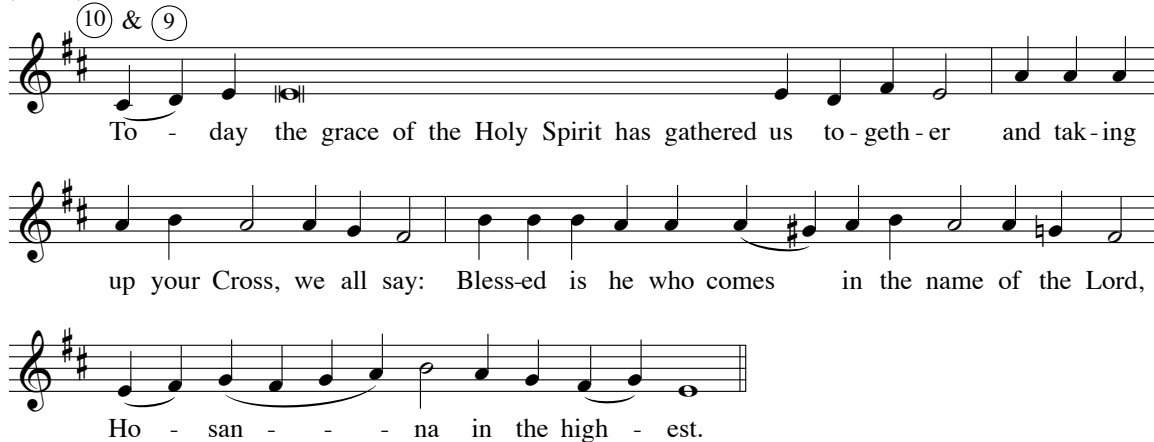
Vesper Propers, March 19, 2005
Palm (Flowery) Sunday

All page references are to **The Order of Vespers for Sundays after Pentecost, 2004**

1. *Beginning Prayers, p. 1*
2. *Psalm 103, p. 2 (chant) or p. 6 (melodic)*
3. *Litany of Peace, p. 8*
4. *First Kathisma, p. 10*
5. *Lamplighting Psalms Tone 6, p. 82*

Cantor: Bring my soul out of this prison
(on 10) and then I shall praise your name.

(10) & (9)

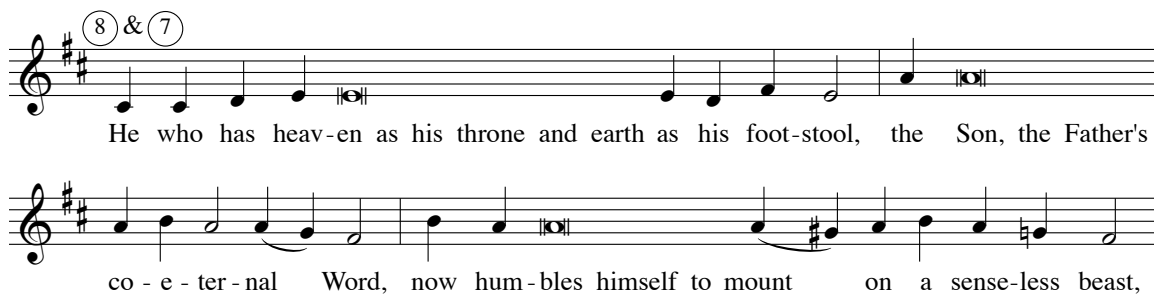


To - day the grace of the Holy Spirit has gathered us to - geth - er and tak - ing
up your Cross, we all say: Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord,
Ho - san - - - na in the high - est.

Cantor: Around me the just will assemble
(on 9) because of your goodness to me. (*All repeat "Today the grace of the Holy Spirit...."*)

Cantor: Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord; **Psalm 129**
(on 8) Lord, hear my voice!

(8) & (7)



He who has heav - en as his throne and earth as his foot - stool, the Son, the Father's
co - e - ter - nal Word, now hum - bles himself to mount on a sense - less beast,

as he comes to Beth-a - ny. Car - rying branches, the Hebrew children wel - come him
 and say: Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who is
 com - ing, the King of Is - ra - el.

Cantor: Let your ears be attentive
 (on 7) to the voice of my pleading. (*All repeat "He who has heaven as his throne...."*)

Cantor: If you, O Lord, should mark our guilt, Lord, who would stand?
 (on 6) But with you is found forgiveness: for this we revere you.

Let us all gath - er this day, the Church of the Gentiles, the new Is - ra - el,
 and with the prophet Zecha - ri - ah, let us say: Re - joice, O daughter Zion,
 shout for joy, O daughter Je - ru - sa - lem; be - hold, your King comes to you!
 He is the Sav - ior, hum - ble and meek, a - stride the foal of a donkey, a beast
 of bur - den. Car - rying palms, let us praise him as the chil - dren did:

Ho-san-na in the high-est! Bless-ed is he who is com-ing, the King of

Is-ra-el.

Cantor: My soul is waiting for the Lord. I count on his word.
 (on 5) My soul is longing for the Lord more than watchman for daybreak.
 (All repeat "Let us all gather...")

Cantor: Let the watchman count on daybreak
 (on 4) and Israel on the Lord.

Pre-fig-uring your holy Resurrection for us, O Lord, by your word, you raised your

friend Laz-a-rus from death and the tomb on the fourth day.

You rode upon the foal of a don-key to symbolize for the Gentiles the triumph

of the Sav-ior. There-fore Is-ra-el, your beloved, of-fers you praise, O Christ,

through the mouths of in-fants and of babes, the witnesses of your entrance into the

Ho-ly Cit-y, six days be-fore the Pass-o-ver.

Cantor: Because with the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption,
(on 3) Israel indeed he will redeem from all its iniquity. (*All repeat "Prefiguring your holy..."*)

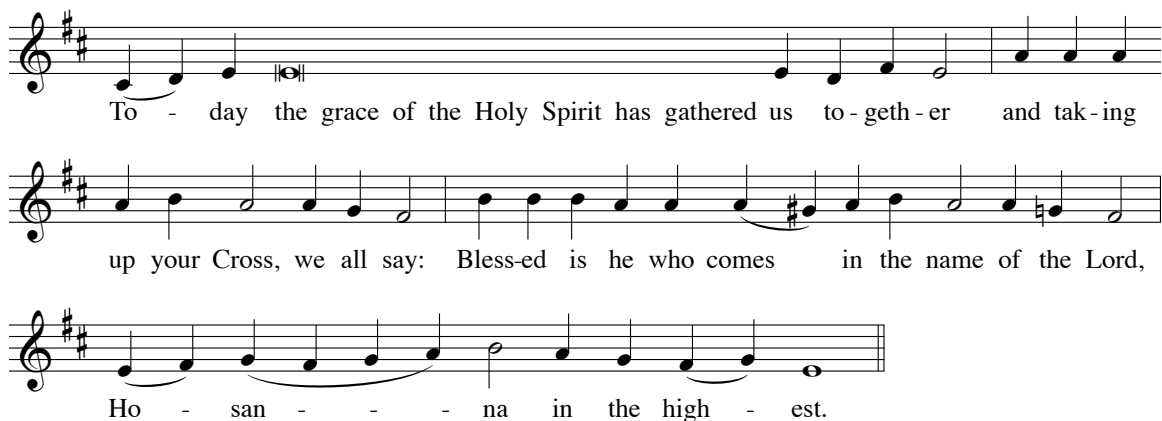
Cantor: Praise the Lord, all you nations, **Psalm 116**
(on 2) acclaim him all you peoples!

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Six days before the Passover, Jesus comes to Beth - a - ny, and his dis - ci - ples
ask him: Lord, where do you want us to prepare to eat the Pass - o - ver meal
with you? And you sent them off, say - ing, Go in - to the vil - lage near-by;
and there you shall find a man carrying a pitch - er of wa - ter; fol - low him
and say to the mas - ter of the house: The Mas - ter says to you, It is
in your house that I will ce - le - brate the Pass - o - ver with
my dis - ci - ples.

Cantor: Strong is the love of the Lord for us;
(on 1) he is faithful forever. (*All repeat "Six days before the Passover..."*)

Cantor: Glory...



To - day the grace of the Holy Spirit has gathered us to - geth - er and tak - ing
up your Cross, we all say: Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord,
Ho - san - - - na in the high - est.

Cantor: Now and ever...

(All repeat "Today the grace of the Holy Spirit...")

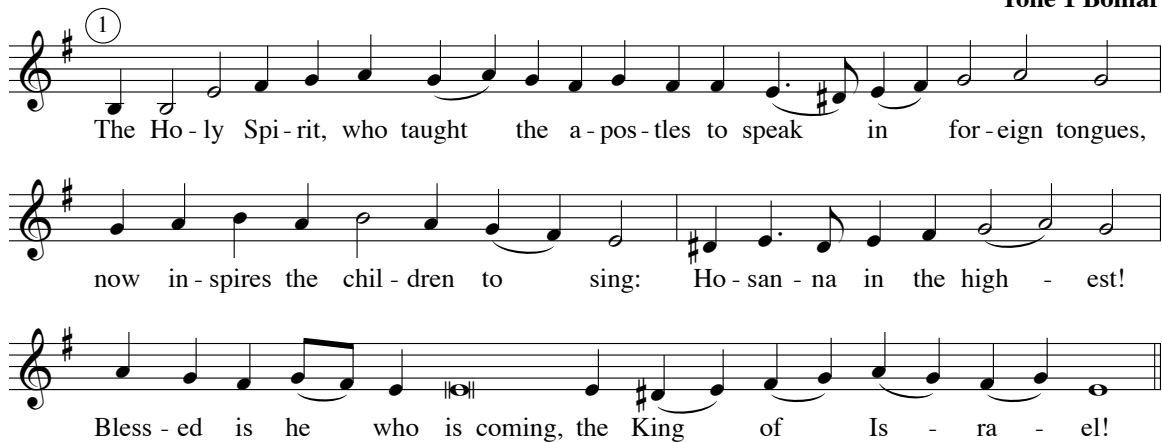
- 6. *Hymn of the Evening*, p. 12
- 7. *Saturday Prokeimenon*, p. 13

Readings: Genesis 49: 12-18
Zephaniah 3: 14-19
Zechariah 9:9-15

- 8. *Litany of Fervent Supplication*, p. 13
- 9. *Hymn of Glorification*, p. 14
- 10. *Litany of Supplication*, p. 16

Litija

Tone 1 Bolhar



The Ho - ly Spi - rit, who taught the a - pos - tles to speak in for - eign tongues,
now in - spires the chil - dren to sing: Ho - san - na in the high - est!
Bless - ed is he who is coming, the King of Is - ra - el!

②

The Son and Word of God, co - e - ter - nal with the Fa - ther, to - day
 en - ters the city of Je - ru - sa - lem, seat - ed up - on a sense - less
 beast; he, up - on whom the Cher - u - bim dare not gaze,
 is praised by the chil - dren with palms and branch - es as they mys - tic - ly
 sing to him: Ho - san - na in the high - est! Bless - ed is he who
 comes to save the hu - man race.

③

Six days be - fore the Pass - o - ver, O Lord, your voice was heard even
 in the depths of Ha - des, from which you raised Laz - a - rus on the fourth day.
 And the He - brew chil - dren praised you: Ho - san - na, O our God,

glo - - - ry to you!

Tone 2 Bolhar

④

When you en - tered the Ho - ly Cit - y, O Lord, as you has - tened
to your Pas - sion to ful - fill the Law and the Pro - phets,
the He - brew chil - dren prefigured your vic - to - rious Re - sur - rec - tion;
they went be - fore you with palms and branch - es, say - ing: Bless - ed
are you, O Sav - ior; have mer - cy on us.

⑤

Glo - ry to you, O Christ, who are seat - ed in the heav'ns, and now your Cross
a - waits you. The daugh - ter of Zi - on re - joic - - - es,
the peo - ple of earth ex - ult with joy; the chil - dren wave their

branch - es; the dis - ci-ples spread their gar - ments, and the whole
world learns to sing: Bless-ed are you, O Sav-ior; have mer-cy on us!

Cantor: Glory...now and ever...

Litija Doxastikon

Tone 3 samohlasen

Six days be - fore the Pass - over, Jesus came to Beth - a - ny to raise
Laz - a - rus on the fourth day and to proclaim the coming Re - sur - rec - tion.
The sis - ters of Laz - a - rus, Mary and Martha, came to meet him, say - ing:
Lord, if you had been here, our broth - er would not have died. But the Lord
an - swered them, say - ing: Those who be - lieve in me, even if they die, shall
live! Have I not said this to you? Show me where you have bur - ied him.
And with a loud voice the Creator of the universe cried to him:

Laz - a - rus, come forth!

11. *Litany of the Litija, p.116*

Aposticha

Tone 8

Re-joyce, O cit - y of Zi - - on, and dance with joy, O Church of God;
 for, be-hold! your King comes in you in meekness and hu-mil - i - ty; the chil-dren
 wel-come him and sing: Ho-san-na in the high - est; blest are you, O
 com - pas - sion - ate Lord; have mer - cy on us.

Cantor

On the lips of children and of babes, you have found praise.

The Sav - ior has come into the city of Je - ru - sa - lem to - day to ful - fill the
 Scrip - tures. The peo - ple spread their garments a-long the way; they car-ry

palms and branch-es in their hands, re - cognizing that he is in - deed our God.

The cher-ubim sing un-ceas-ing - ly to him: Ho-san-na in the high - est;

bless - ed are you, O com-pas-sion-ate Lord; have mer - cy on us.

Cantor

How great is your name, O Lord our God, through all the earth.

3
You are seat-ed upon the throne of the Cher - u - bim and are praised by the

Ser - a - phim; as Da - vid, you rode upon a don - key. The chil-dren praise

you as God; the Phar-isees blaspheme you un-just - ly; and your rid - ing upon

the colt symbolizes the conversion of the pa - gans. O on - ly Lover of Humankind

and com - pas - sion - ate Lord; all glo - ry to you.

Cantor: Glory...now and ever...

Tone 6

To - day the grace of the Holy Spirit has gathered us to - geth - er and tak - ing
up your Cross, we all say: Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord,
Ho - san - - - na in the high - est.

13. *Prayer of St. Simeon, p. 19*

14. *Trisagion Prayers, p. 19*

15. *If the vigil is served, the Troparion on p. 119 is sung once by the priest, twice by the people.*

If a vigil is not served, see next page for the Troparia.

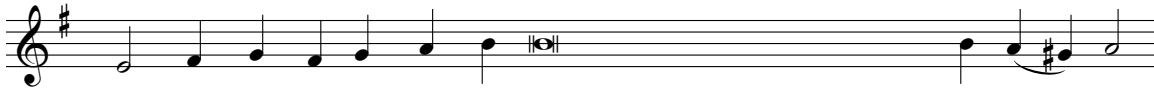
16. *Blessing of Bread, p. 119*

17. *Psalm 33, p. 120*

18. *Dismissal, p 21*

Troparia

Tone 1



Christ our God, be-fore your pas - sion you confirmed our common re-sur-rec - tion



when you raised Laz - a - rus from the dead. There-fore, like the chil-dren, we



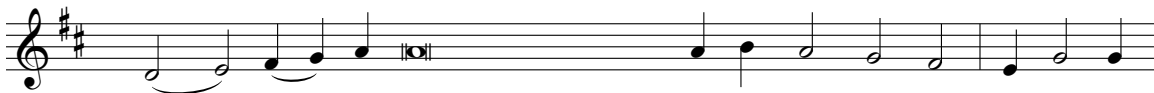
car - ry the symbols of vic - to - ry and cry out to you, the vic-tor o - ver death:



Ho-san-na in the high-est! Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

(sung twice)

Tone 4



Through bap - tism we were buried with you, O Christ our God, and we have



be - come worthy of immortal life by your re-sur-rec - tion. There-fore, we raise our



voic-es in praise to you: Ho-san - na in the high - est! Bless - ed is he who



comes in the name of the Lord.

