

Sunday of the Prodigal Son

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5. *Lamplighting Psalms and stichera 10-5 in the Tone of the Week*

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

Tone 1

I have sown sin in a land of life and in - no - cence and have har - vested the ears of thought-less - ness. I have gath - ered my actions in - to bun - dles of sheaves, but I have not placed them on the threshing floor of re - pen - tance. And now I pray to you, O my God, for you are the pre - e - ter - nal Till - er of our fields: With the breath of your lov - ing - kind - ness, now win - now the grain of my ac - tions, feed my soul with your grace and for - give - ness, gath - er me in - to

your heav - en - ly gra - na - ries and save me.

Cantor: Because with the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption,
(on 3) Israel indeed he will redeem from all its iniquity. *Repeat "I have sown sin..."*

Cantor: Praise the Lord all the nations; **Psalm 116**
(on 2) acclaim him all you people.

O faith-ful, let us discover the power of the div-ine mys-te - ry. The Prod-i - gal

came back from his sin and returned to his fa-ther's house; in his lov-ing-kindness his

father came out to meet him and kissed him. He re-stored him to the glo - ry

of his house, and pre-pared a mys-ti - cal ban-quet on high. He killed the fatted

calf so that we might share in his joy; the joy of the Fa-ther who of-fers in love,

and the joy of the Lamb who gives him-self for us; for he is Christ, the

Sav - ior of our souls.

Cantor: Strong is the love of the Lord for us;
(on 1) he is faithful forever. Repeat "O faithful, let us discover..."

Cantor: Glory...

Doxastikon - Tone 2



From what bless - ings have I been de - prived in my wretch - ed - ness, from what
king - dom have I been ex - iled! I squan - dered the treasure that I
re - ceived from you! and I have wan - dered far from your law. A - las,
O my poor soul, you shall be delivered to the e - ter - nal fire; be - fore the end,
cry out to Christ our God Re - ceive me, O Lord, like the Prod - i - gal Son,
and have mer - cy on me.

Cantor: Now and ever...

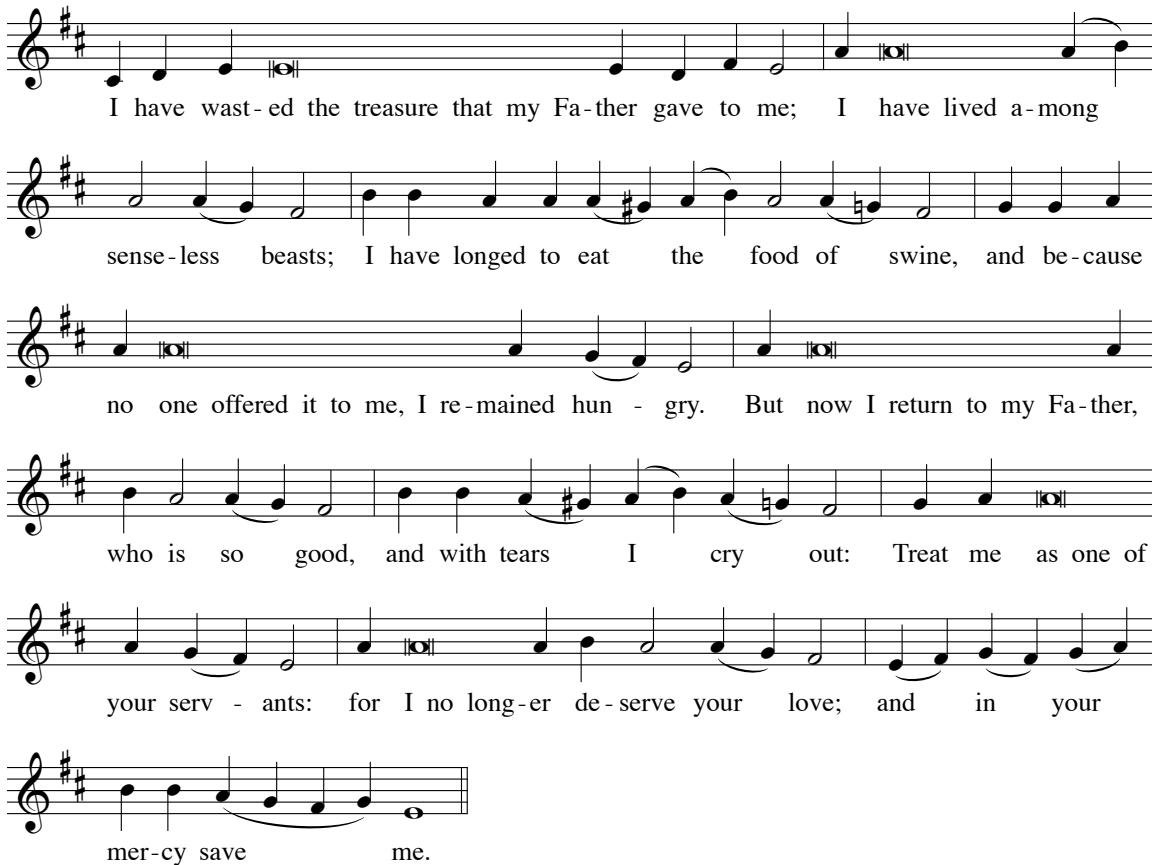
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11. Apostichera, Tone of the Week

Cantor: Glory...

Aposticha Doxastikon - Tone 6



I have wast-ed the treasure that my Fa-ther gave to me; I have lived a-mong
sense-less beasts; I have longed to eat the food of swine, and be-cause
no one offered it to me, I re-mained hun - gry. But now I return to my Fa-ther,
who is so good, and with tears I cry out: Treat me as one of
your serv - ants: for I no long-er de-serve your love; and in your
mer-cy save me.

Cantor: Now and ever...

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