

Vesper Propers, February 11, 2007
SUNDAY OF MEAT-FARE
Commemoration of the Second Coming of Jesus Christ as Judge

Supplement for *The Order of Vespers for Sundays after Pentecost*, 2005

Lamplighting Psalms, Tone 3, page 48, stichera 10-5

Cantor: (Tone 6) Let the watchman count on daybreak
(on 4) and Israel on the Lord.

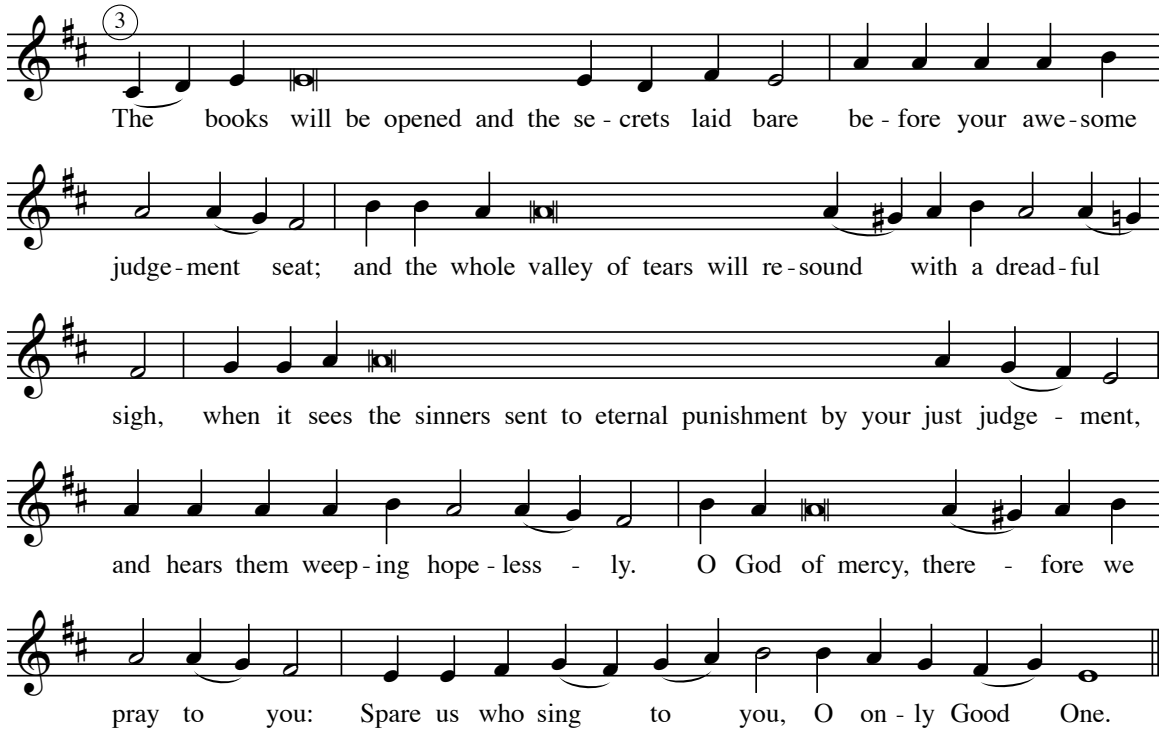
Tone 6 samohlasen

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When you shall come to render just judgement, O righteous Judge, you shall sit up-on
your glo-rious throne. A riv-er of fire shall flow be-fore your judge-ment
seat; the powers of heaven will be there with you. Filled with fear, all humanity
will be judged ac-cord-ing to their deeds. At this hour, O Christ, spare us,
and be-cause of your great love, grant that the faith-ful who pray to you
may be giv - en a place with your cho - sen ones.

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

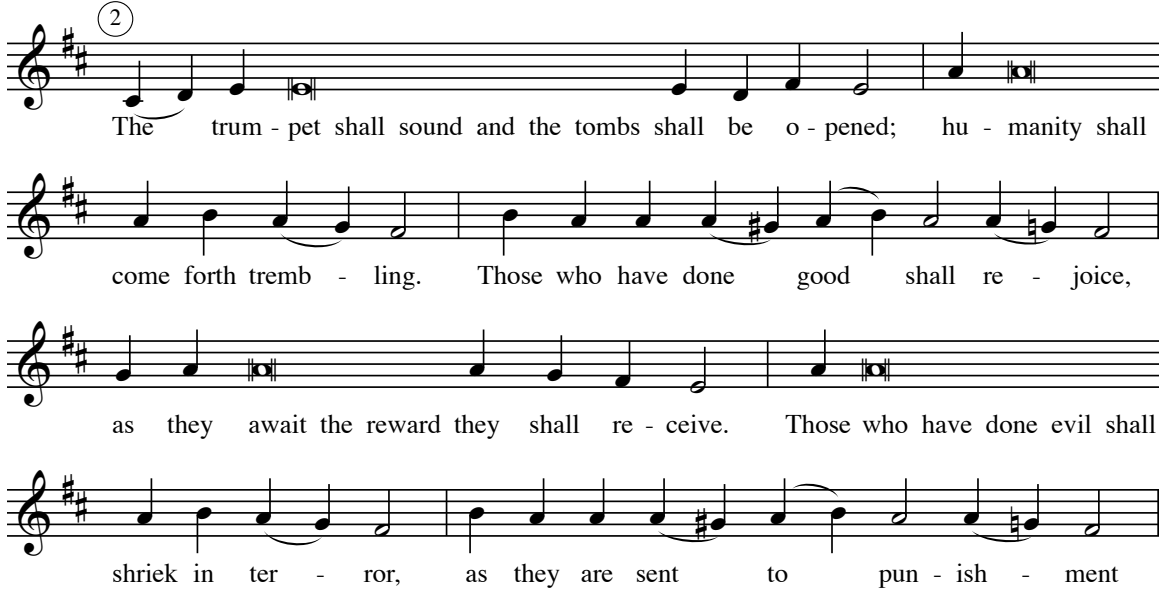
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The books will be opened and the se - crets laid bare be - fore your awe - some
 judge - ment seat; and the whole valley of tears will re - sound with a dread - ful
 sigh, when it sees the sinners sent to eternal punishment by your just judge - ment,
 and hears them weep - ing hope - less - ly. O God of mercy, there - fore we
 pray to you: Spare us who sing to you, O on - ly Good One.

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

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The trum - pet shall sound and the tombs shall be o - pened; hu - manity shall
 come forth tremb - ling. Those who have done good shall re - jice,
 as they await the reward they shall re - ceive. Those who have done evil shall
 shriek in ter - ror, as they are sent to pun - ish - ment

and sep - arated from the e - lect. In your goodness, spare us, O glo - rious Lord,

and grant that we may en - joy a place with those who love you.

Cantor: Strong is the love of the Lord for us;
(on 1) he is faithful forever.

① I weep and la - ment when I think of the outer darkness and e - ter - nal fire

to - geth - er with Hades, the worm that consumes, and the gnash - ing of teeth,

the un - ceas - ing grief that falls upon those who have sinned with - out meas - ure,

and those who have provoked you to an - ger, O God most good. A - las, among these

sin - ners, I am first. But in your great mer - cy, O Judge, save me.

Cantor: (Tone 8) Glory...

Doxastikon - Tone 8 samohlasen

When the thrones are set up and the books are o - pened, and God will sit in

judg - ment, what fear shall I fear in that mo - ment! When the an-gels
 shall tremble at his side and a river of fire rise up, what shall we sin-ners
 then do? When shall we hear the blessed of his Father called to the kingdom of
 heav - en and the sin-ners to eter-nal pun - ish - ment, who will be a - ble
 to endure his dreadful con dem na - tion? But you, O Savior, hasten to convert
 me be-fore the end, and, O King of the ag - es, have mer-cy on me.

Cantor: (Tone 3) Now and ever...

Dogmatikon, Tone 3, page 53

Litija

Tone 7 samohlasen

Know-ing the com mand ments of the Lord, let this be our way of life:

let us feed the hungry, let us give drink to the thirsty, let us clothe the naked, let
 us welcome strangers, let us visit those in prison and the sick.
 Then the Judge of all the earth will say even to us: Come, blessed
 of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you.

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

Theotokion, Tone 7, p. 100

Litija Litany, p. 116

Apostichera, Tone 3, p. 54

Cantor: (Tone 8) Glory...

Doxastikon - Tone 8

A-las, O my dark-ened soul, how long will you persist in sin? How
 long will you lie in laziness? Why do you not think of the dreadful hour
 of death? Do you not fear the Savior's awesome judgment seat?

How will you de - fend your - self? How will you be vin - di - cat - ed?

Your works are there to convict you, and your actions witness a - gainst you.

More - o - ver, time is grow ing short, O my soul; has - ten and cry out

in faith: I have sinned, O Lord, I have sinned; but I know your love and

your mer - cy. O Good Shep - herd, in your good - ness, do not

de - prive me of a place at your right hand.

Cantor: Now and ever...

Theotokion, Tone 8, p. 110

Blessing of Bread, p 119

Troparion at the Blessing of Bread, p.119, sung once by the priest and twice by the faithful.