

Vesper Propers, August 10

Postfestive day of the Transfiguration

The holy martyr and archdeacon Lawrence of Rome, who desired the fellowship of Pope Sixtus even in martyrdom. As St. Leo the Great relates, when ordered to hand over the treasures of the Church, he instead showed to the foolish tyrant the poor. As archdeacon, it was his ministry to care for them, and on a great number of whom he had lavished the necessities of life and clothing. The third day after his arrest, he conquered the flames for the sake of the faith of Christ. In honor of his triumph even the instruments of his execution were transformed. His body is buried in Rome in the Campo Verano in the cemetery called by his name. (258)

Supplement for The Order of Daily Vespers, 2007

The Lamplighting Psalms

Psalm 140 - *Tone 4 samohlasen*

O Lord, I have cried to you, hear me. Hear me, O Lord! O Lord, I have cried
to you, hear me; re - ceive the voice of my pray'r when I call up - on you.
Hear me, O Lord! Let my pray'r ascend to you like in - cense
and the lifting up of my hands like an eve-ning sac - ri - fice. Hear
me, O Lord!


The recited verses begin on page 8

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


Stichera of the Postfeast - Tone 4 samohlasen



To - day you glowed on Mount Ta - bor with radiant light as a bright sun.



You have shown your friends that you are the Sav-ior, the Word of the Fa - ther,



who out of com - pas - sion took on the flesh of hu - man na - - - ture.



We, therefore, glorify your lov - ing prov - i - dence, O all - power - ful Je - sus and




Sav - ior of our souls.

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.



To - day the heaven - ly an - gels re - joice and cel - e - brate with peo - ple



and honor your glorious resplendent image on Mount Ta bor, O Christ. There you



have Mo - ses, Elijah, Pe ter, James, and John stand ing be fore you and prais ing you,

O all-powerful Je - sus and Sav - ior of our souls.

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

To - day all creatures of this world and of the heav - en - ly spheres

are assembled to praise Christ our God who reigns o - ver the living and the dead.

He is di - vine - ly transfigured on Mount Ta - bor, and surrounds himself

with the leaders of grace and the Law ac - cord - ing to his good pleas - ure;

for he is the Sav - ior of our souls.

Cantor: (Tone 1) Because with the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption,
(on 3) Israel indeed he will redeem from all its iniquity.

Stichera of Lawrence - Tone 1 samohlasen

O pre - cious one, you served the Word spot - less - ly by the

ma - te - rial fire of an aromatic off - 'ring to the Lord. It was wor - thy of

heav-en - ly joy. O Law-rence, pray for us who ven - er - ate you.

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

You gave your-self to the Lord as a treas - ure, and you were obedient

to his words, O bless-ed man of God. O wise Mar-tyr, you gener-ous - ly

gave to the poor the wealth that can - not be sto - - - len;

in wis-dom and won-der you trans-formed the tor - tures for your own good.

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

O Law-rence, the beau-ty of mar - tyrs, the glo - rious and mar-vel - ous

sol - dier, the foun-tain of mir - a - cles and help-er of the oppressed,

the bright star and the sa - cred mar - tyr, you are

great - ly ex - alt - ed.

Cantor: (Tone 4) Glory...now and ever...

Doxastikon - Tone 4 samohlasen

O Lord, when you were trans - fig - ured be - fore be - ing cru - ci - fied,

Mount Tabor was made to resem - ble heav - en; for a cloud was extended as a

can - o - py, and the Fa - ther bore wit - ness to you. Pe - ter, James, and John

were pres - ent there, the same three apostles who were to be with you

at the time of the betray al of Ju - das, so that, having seen you in glo - ry,

they would not be dismayed at the time of your suf - fer - ing. Like wise, O

Lord, make us worthy to rec og - nize you as our God in the same sufferings

you endured in your great mer - cy, and to a - dore you.

Aposticha

Tone 2 samohlasen



The Lord now shows the ineffable glory of his di - vin - i - ty to his dis - ci - ples



on Mount Ta - bor, re - veal - ing as much as they could be - hold.

Cantor



Yours are the heav - ens and yours is the earth.



Come, let us has - ten with the dis - ci - ples to the heights of vir - tue



that we may al - so be wor - thy of grace with them.

Cantor



Hap - py are the peo - ple who can shout with joy.



O faith - ful, let us cleanse our hearts so that the glo - ry and the

grace of the tri - ple Sun may shine up - on all of us.

Cantor: (Tone 4) Glory...now and ever...

Doxastikon - Tone 4 samohlasen

O Lord, as a preparation to your cru ci - fix - ion, you led some of your disciples

to a high mountain and became transfig - ured be - fore them, en - light en - ing

them with the light of your glo - ry. In this way, you showed the re - al - i - ty

of the resurrection you are to grant to us in your love for all and in your

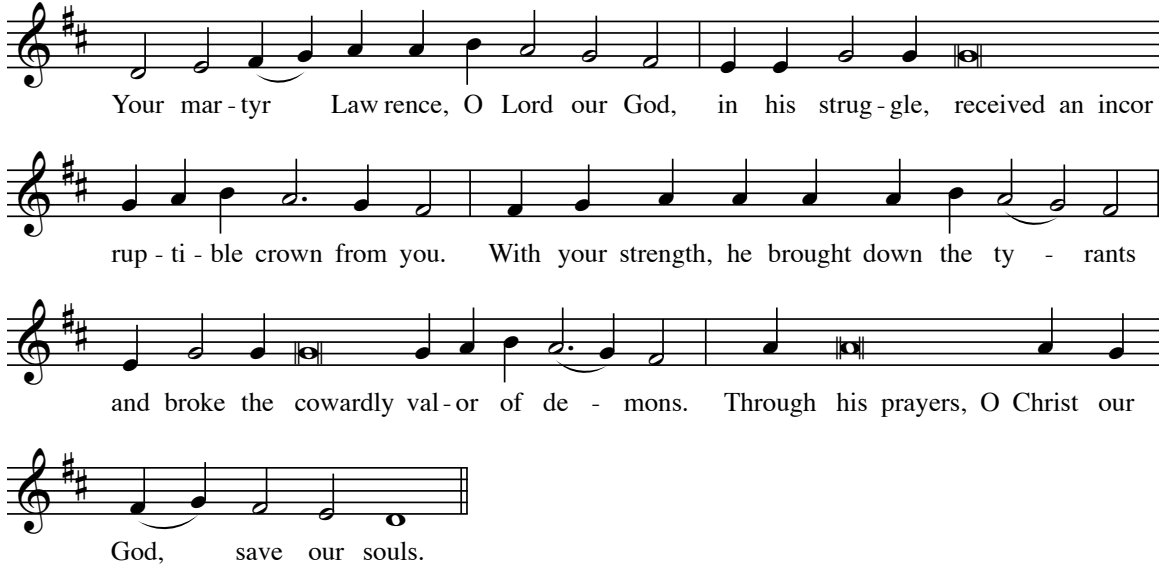
al - might - y pow'r as God. Make us wor - thy of this res - ur - rec - tion, O God,

for you are gracious and the Lov - er of us all.

The service continues with the Prayer of Simeon, page 16.

Troparia

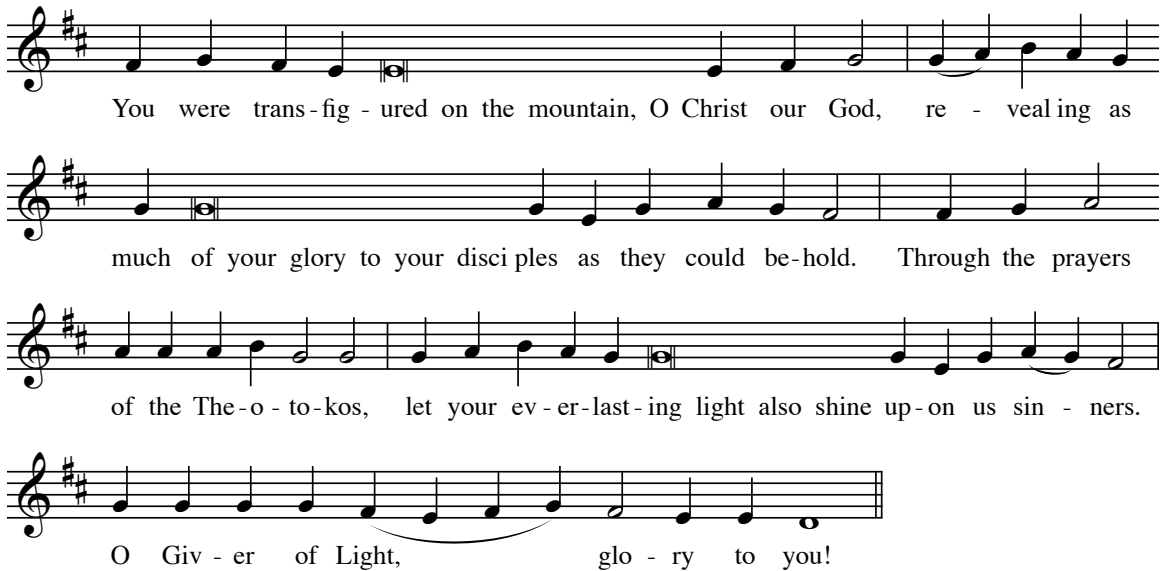
Troparion of Lawrence - *Tone 4*



Your mar-tyr Lawrence, O Lord our God, in his strug-gle, received an incor-
rup-ti-ble crown from you. With your strength, he brought down the ty-rants
and broke the cowardly val-or of de-mons. Through his prayers, O Christ our
God, save our souls.

Cantor: (*Tone 7*) Glory...now and ever...

Troparion of the Transfiguration - *Tone 7*



You were trans-fig-ured on the mountain, O Christ our God, re-veal-ing as
much of your glory to your disci-ples as they could be-hold. Through the prayers
of the The-o-to-kos, let your ev-er-last-ing light also shine up-on us sin-ners.
O Giv-er of Light, glo-ry to you!