

Divine Liturgy Propers, October 26, 2008
TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

The holy and great martyr Demetrius. Born in Salonica of devout parents, he was a much-longed-for only child. Because of this he received an excellent education. Like his father, Demetrius became a soldier in the Roman army. The emperor Maximian appointed him to persecute the Christians in Salonica, but Demetrius confessed his faith and preached Christ. He was cruelly martyred for his witness to the Lord. Since earliest times, he has been regarded as a wonderworker and powerful intercessor. (305)

Hymn

melody: Anhel Božij / When the Angel Came



1. As he walked the land where the pa - gans lived,
2. De - mons knew his voice, and our souls re - jice
3. When the pigs, un - clean, van - ished from the scene,



Je - sus met a man in need; He was sore op - pressed
As we see his might now shine: Cast - ing, by his pow'r,
Herd - ers ran, spread tid - ings true; Then the town came out,



and, in - deed, pos - sessed; Nak - ed, strong, and strange in - deed!
in that ve - ry hour, Dev - ils in - to herds of swine!
said in pan - ic's rout, "We shall have no part in You!"

Refrain



1, 2. "Have you come to med - dle here, Son of God, or make me fear?"

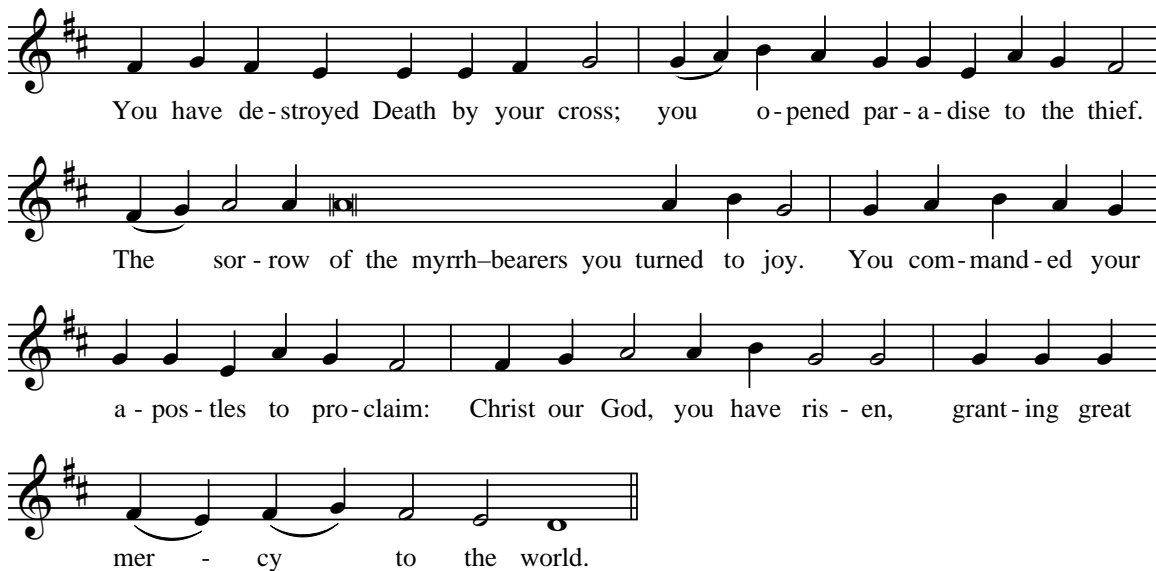
3. You have come in - to our fear, Feed - ing us who gath - er here!



We pro - claim you "Lord," Son of God a - dored, Strong - er than the de - mons' jeer!

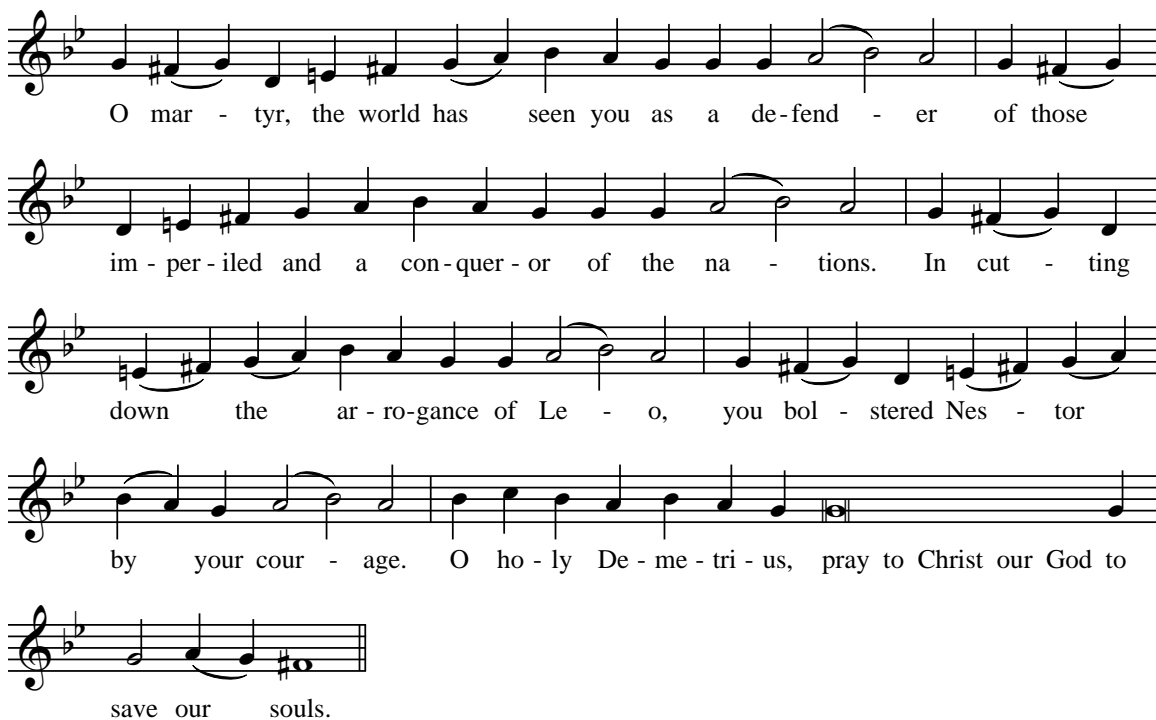
We pro - claim you "Lord," Son of God a - dored, Je - sus, our Re - deem - er dear!

Troparion of the Resurrection - Tone 7



You have de-destroyed Death by your cross; you o-pened par-a-dise to the thief.
The sor-row of the myrrh-bearers you turned to joy. You com-mand-ed your
a-pos-tles to pro-claim: Christ our God, you have ris-en, grant-ing great
mer-cy to the world.

Troparion of the holy great-martyr Demetrius - Tone 3



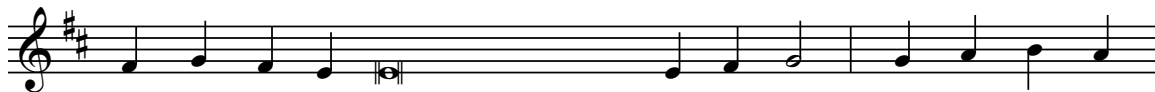
O mar-tyr, the world has seen you as a de-fend-er of those
im-per-iled and a con-quer-or of the na-tions. In cut-ting
down the ar-ro-gance of Le-o, you bol-stered Nes-tor
by your cour-age. O ho-ly De-me-tri-us, pray to Christ our God to
save our souls.

Cantor



Glo - ry to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir - it.

Kontakion of the Resurrection - Tone 7



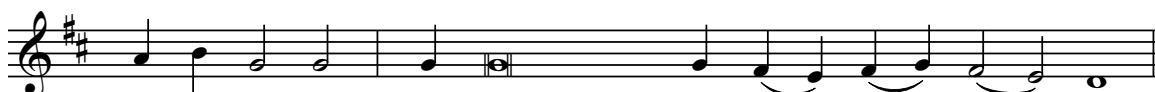
No long - er can the might of Death rule o - ver us; Christ de - scend - ed,



de - stroying and crush - ing its pow - er. Ha - des re - mains en - chained.



The proph - ets re - joice to - geth - er. The Sav - ior has ap - peared, saying to



those in dark - ness: Come forth, faithful to the Res - ur - rec - tion.

Cantor



Now and ev - er and for - ev - er. A - men.

Kontakion of the holy great-martyr Demetrius - Tone 2



God en - dowed you with an in - vin - ci - ble pow - er



and tinged the Church with your blood, O De - me - tri - us. He al - so



cov - ers your cit - y with love, for you are its foun - da - tion.

Prokeimenon of the Resurrection (Psalm 28:11,1,2):



The Lord will give strength to his peo - ple; the Lord
will bless, will bless his peo - ple with peace.

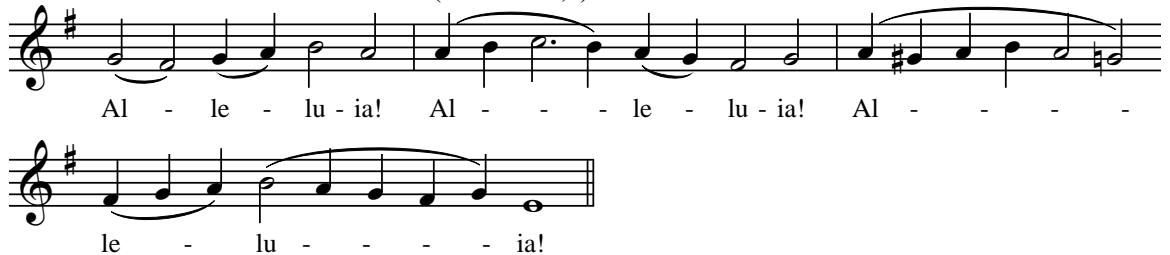
Verse: Bring to the Lord, you sons of God; bring to the Lord glory and honor.

Prokeimenon of a martyr - Tone 7 (Psalm 63:11,2)



The just man will re-joyce in the Lord, re - joyce in the Lord
and will put his trust in him.

Alleluia of the Resurrection - Tone 7 (Psalm 91:2,3):



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - - - le - lu - ia! Al - - - -
le - lu - - - - ia!

Verse: It is good to give thanks to the Lord and to sing praises to your name, O Most High.

Verse: To proclaim your mercy in the morning, and your faithfulness throughout the night.

Alleluia of a Martyr - Tone 4 (Psalm 91:13,14):



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - - - ia!

Verse: The just man will flourish like the palm tree and grow like a cedar of Lebanon.

Verse: Planted in the house of the Lord, he will flourish in the courts of our God.

Communion hymns: of Sunday (pp. 78-80) and of a martyr (p. 381, melody A).