

Vesper Propers, January 10, 2010

Sunday after Theophany

The holy martyr Polyeuct, of Melitene in Armenia, who as a soldier was ordered to sacrifice to the gods by the edict of the Emperor Decius. Instead, he destroyed the images; wherefore he suffered many tortures and at last was beheaded and baptized by the outpouring of his own blood. (230)

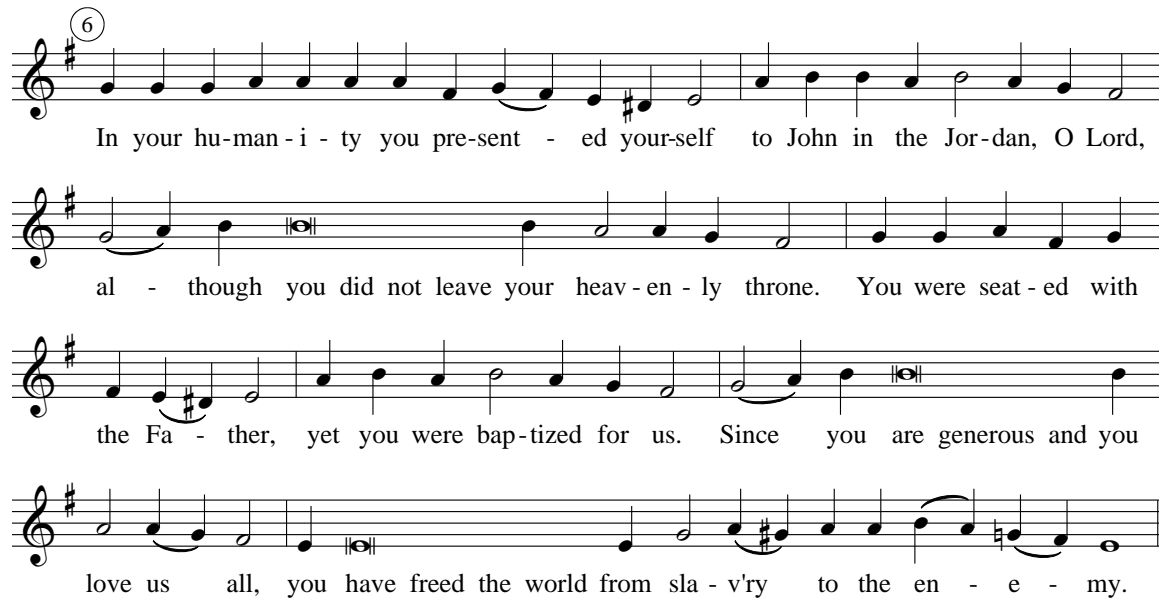
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Lamplighting Psalms in the Tone of the Week (Tone 8, p. 102), stichera 10-7.

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 8 samohlasen

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In your hu-man-i - ty you pre-sent - ed your-self to John in the Jor-dan, O Lord,
al - though you did not leave your heav - en - ly throne. You were seat - ed with
the Fa - ther, yet you were bap-tized for us. Since you are generous and you
love us all, you have freed the world from sla - v'ry to the en - e - my.

Cantor: My soul is longing for the Lord. I count on his word.
(on 5) My soul is longing for the Lord more than watchman for daybreak.

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In your hu-man-i - ty you clothed your - self in the wa-ters of the Jor-dan, O Lord.

You were giv-en wit-ness from on high by the de-scent of the Spir - it;
 and the voice of the Father testi-fied that you are his Son. Now man - i - fest
 your-self to us and grant in - cor - rup - tion to our souls.

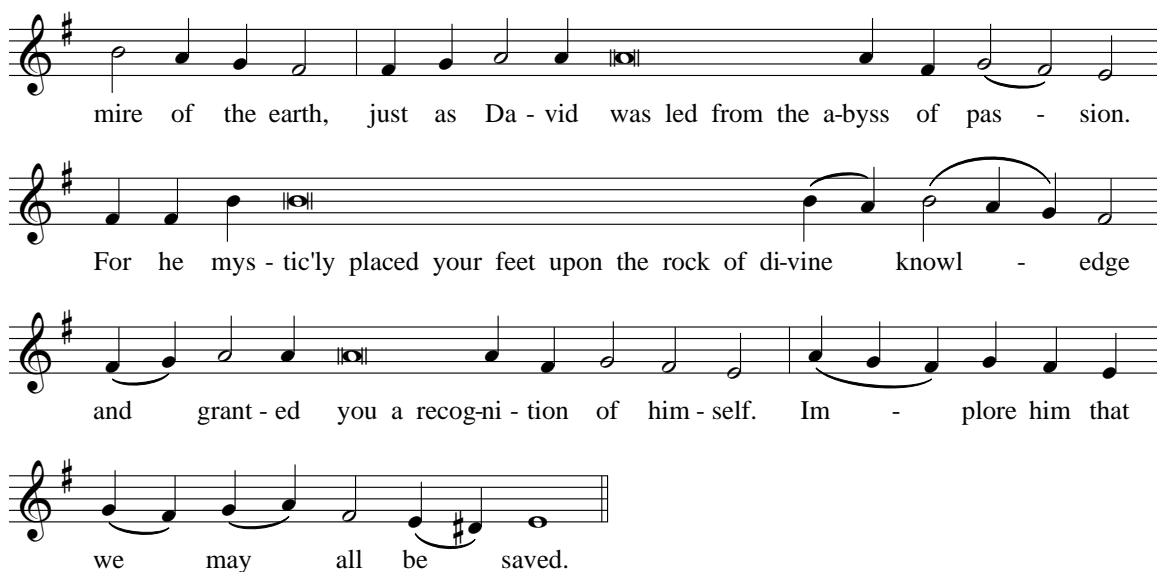
Cantor: Let the watchman count on daybreak
 (on 4) and Israel on the Lord.

O Lord, from all e - ter - ni - ty you were be - got - ten in an unchangeable way
 from the Fa - ther. In lat - ter times you came and received the likeness of a
 serv - ant. As the Cre - a - tor you al-so re - newed our like - ness,
 for in your baptism you grant - ed in - cor - rup - tion to 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.

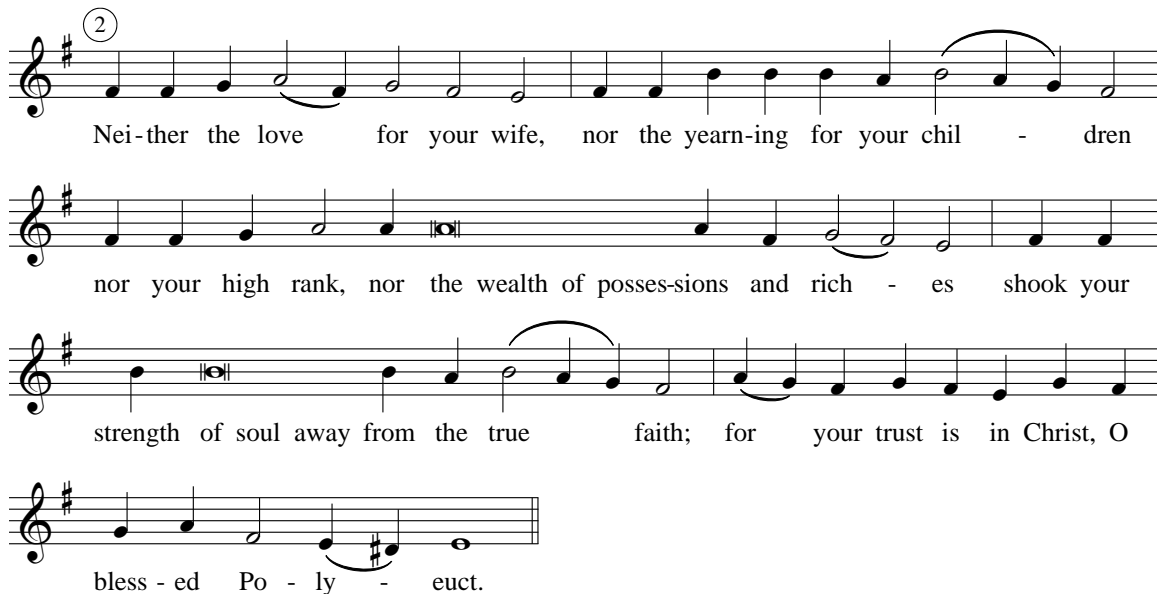
Stichera of the martyr Polyeuct - Tone 1 samohlasen

O Mar-tyr, Christ led you away from the error of i - dol - a - try and from the



mire of the earth, just as Da - vid was led from the a-byss of pas - sion.
 For he mys - tic'ly placed your feet upon the rock of di-vine knowl - edge
 and grant - ed you a recog-ni - tion of him - self. Im - plore him that
 we may all be saved.

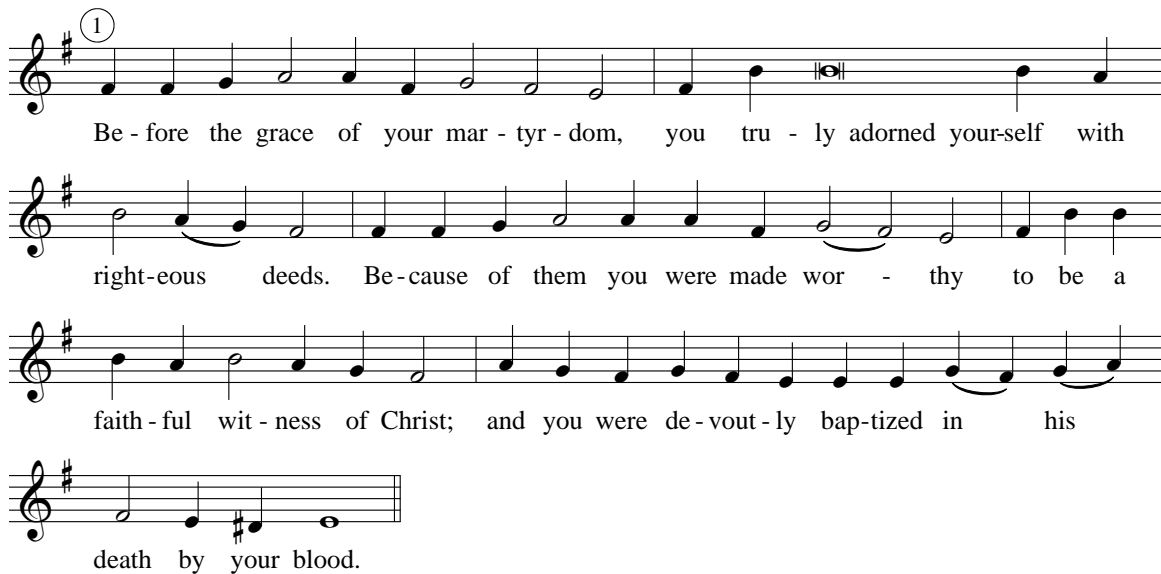
Cantor: Praise the Lord, all you nations, **Psalm 116**
 (on 2) acclaim him all you peoples!



Neither the love for your wife, nor the yearn-ing for your chil - dren
 nor your high rank, nor the wealth of posses-sions and rich - es shook your
 strength of soul away from the true faith; for your trust is in Christ, O
 bless - ed Po - ly - euct.

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

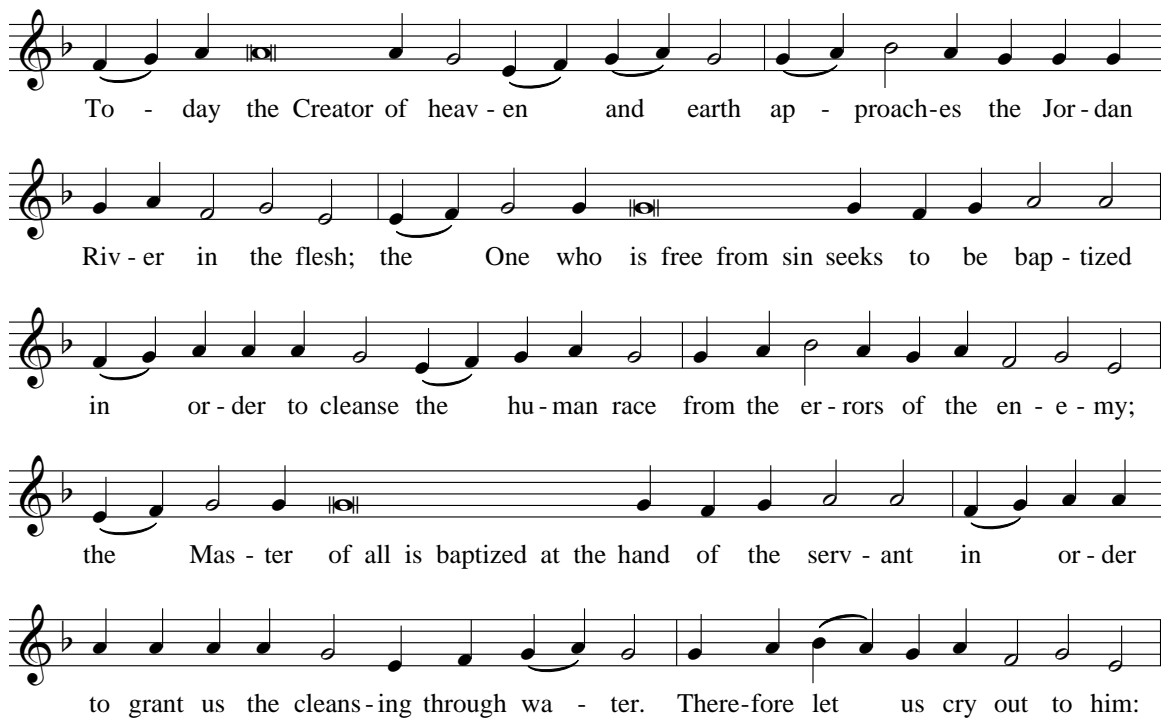
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Be - fore the grace of your mar - tyr - dom, you tru - ly adorned your-self with
 right-eous deeds. Be-cause of them you were made wor - thy to be a
 faith - ful wit - ness of Christ; and you were de - vout - ly bap - tized in his
 death by your blood.

Cantor: (Tone 2) Glory...

Doxastikon of the postfeast - Tone 2 samohlasen



To - day the Creator of heav - en and earth ap - proach-es the Jor - dan
 Riv - er in the flesh; the One who is free from sin seeks to be bap - tized
 in or - der to cleanse the hu - man race from the er - rors of the en - e - my;
 the Mas - ter of all is baptized at the hand of the serv - ant in or - der
 to grant us the cleans - ing through wa - ter. There-fore let us cry out to him:



O God who has ap-peared to us, glo - ry to you!

Cantor: (Tone 8) Now and ever...

Dogmatikon in the Tone of the Week (Tone 8, p. 107).

Aposticha

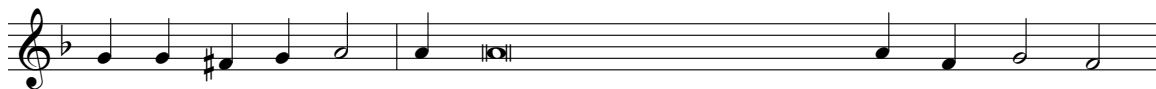
Aposticha in the Tone of the Week (Tone 8, p. 108), concluding with:

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

Aposticha doxastikon of the postfeast - Tone 4 samohlasen



The one who clothes himself with light as with a robe deigned, for our sakes, to



be-come as we are. To - day he is clothed in the streams of the Jor - dan



e - ven though he has no need to be pu - ri - fied. He re - fash - ions



us through the cleans-ing that he re - ceives. What a mar - vel - ous won - der!



He cre - ates a - new with - out fire and re - fash - ions with - out tear - ing a - part;

he grants salvation to those enlight-ened in him, Christ our God, the
Sav - ior of our souls.

Troparia

Troparion of the Resurrection in the Tone of the Week (Tone 8, p. 111).

Cantor: (Tone 1) Glory... now and ever...

Troparion of Theophany - Tone 1

At your bap - tism in the Jor-dan, O Lord, wor-ship of the
Trin - i - ty was re-vealed; for the Fa - ther's voice bore wit - ness to you, calling
you his be - lov - ed Son, and the Spir - it in the form of a dove
con - firmed the truth of these words. O Christ God, you ap-peared and enlightened the
world. Glo - ry to you!