

**Vesper Propers, September 27, 2015**  
**Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

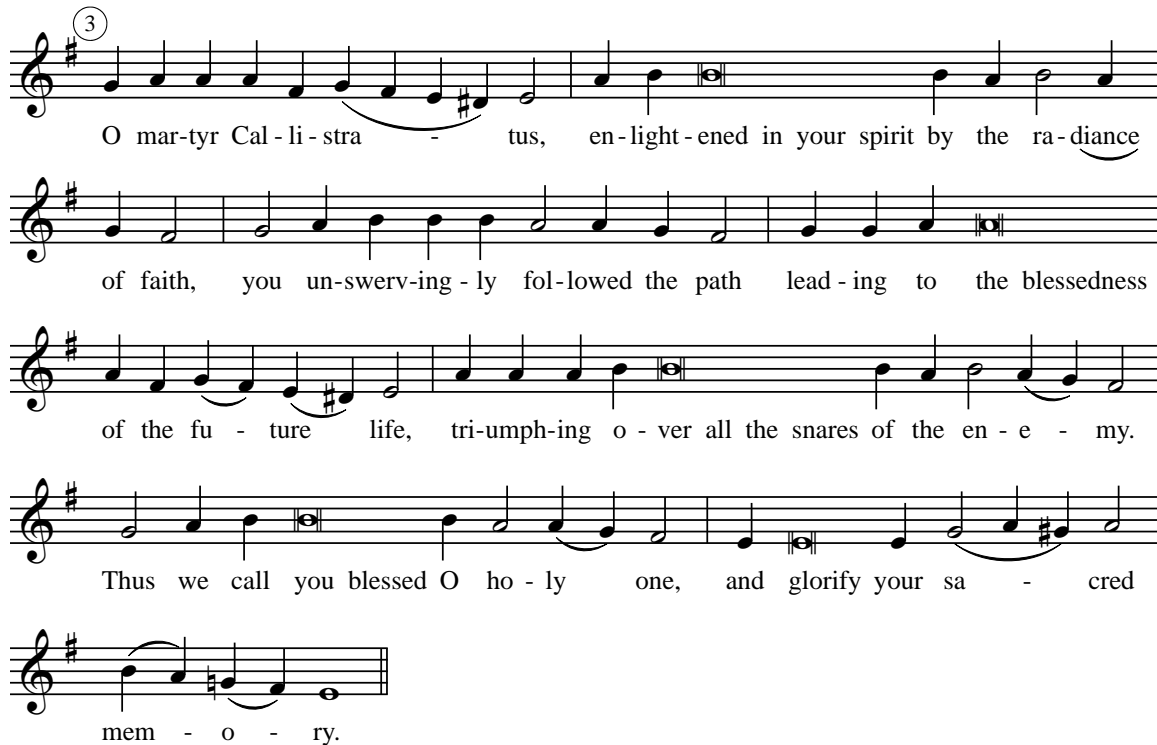
**The holy martyr Callistratus and his companions.** Raised a Christian, he became a soldier. Reported by one of his cohort as a believer, he was imprisoned and ordered to offer sacrifice to idols. He refused. He was repeatedly tortured and still remained faithful—so much so that forty-nine of his fellow-soldiers came to believe in Christ. They were killed by the sword. (304)

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

*Lamplighting Psalms in the Tone of the Week (Tone 1, p. 24), stichera 10-4.*

**Cantor:** (Tone 8) 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 holy martyr Callistratus - Tone 8 samohlasen**



O mar-tyr Cal-li-stra - tus, en-light-ened in your spirit by the ra-diance  
of faith, you un-swerv-ing - ly fol-lowed the path lead - ing to the blessedness  
of the fu - ture life, tri-umph-ing o - ver all the snares of the en - e - my.  
Thus we call you blessed O ho - ly one, and glorify your sa - cred  
mem - o - ry.

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

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O mar-tyr Cal - li - stra - - tus, hav - ing heard the word of Life in your  
 con-tem-pla - tion, you gui - ded those who had been held in death through  
 ig - no - rance toward the true Life. We be - lieve that those  
 who are eag-er to die for Christ are real-ly a-live in him who is the  
 Res-ur - rec - tion of all. With them, re-mem-ber us in the pres-ence  
 of the Lord, the High - est Good.

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

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O mar-tyr Gym-na - si - us\*, be-head-ed by the sword, you drowned the  
 treach-erous Pharaoh in the streams of your own blood. You pour forth healing

\* A companion of Callistratus. Pronounced "jim-NAH-see-us."



for the faithful who approach your temple, O bless - ed one, to glo-ri - fy



your illus-tri-ous strug - gles and to cele-brate your sa - cred mem - o - ry.

**Cantor:** (Tone 4) Glory...

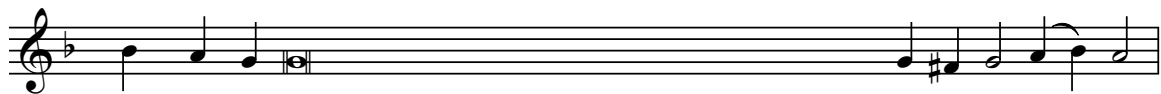
**Doxastikon of the holy martyr Callistratus - Tone 4 samohlasen**



Be - fore your venera-ble death on the Cross, man-kind stood in ter - ror of death.



But after your glo-ri - ous Pas - sion, it is death that stands in fear of man.



Thus, your ho - ly martyr stood fast and overthrew all the strength of the en - e - my.



By his prayers, O Lord, grant sal - va - tion to our souls.

**Cantor:** (Tone 1) Now and ever...

*Dogmatikon in the Tone of the Week (Tone 1, p. 30)*

*Sunday aposticha in the Tone of the Week (Tone 1, p. 31).*

*Troparia in the Tone of the Week (Tone 1, p. 341).*