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)

Supplement for The Order of Vespers for Sundays After Pentecost, 2006

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

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.

In your humanity you presented yourself to John in the Jordan, O Lord, although you did not leave your heavenly throne. You were seated with the Father, yet you were baptized for us. Since you are generous and you love us all, you have freed the world from slavery to the enemy.

In your humanity you clothed yourself in the waters of the Jordan, O Lord.
You were given witness from on high by the descent of the Spirit; and the voice of the Father testified that you are his Son. Now manifest yourself to us and grant incorruption to our souls.

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

O Lord, from all eternity you were begotten in an unchangeable way from the Father. In latter times you came and received the likeness of a servant. As the Creator you also renewed our likeness, for in your baptism you granted incorruption to our souls.

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

Stichera of the martyr Polyeuct - Tone 1 samohlasen

O Martyr, Christ led you away from the error of idolatry 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-vene 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!

Nei-ther 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.
Before the grace of your martyrdom, you truly adorned yourself with righteous deeds. Because of them you were made worthy to be a faithful witness of Christ; and you were devoutly baptized in his death by your blood.

Cantor: (Tone 2) Glory...

Doxastikon of the postfeast - Tone 2 samohlasen

Today the Creator of heaven and earth approaches the Jordan River in the flesh; the One who is free from sin seeks to be baptized in order to cleanse the human race from the errors of the enemy; the Master of all is baptized at the hand of the servant in order to grant us the cleansing through water. Therefore let us cry out to him:
O God who has appeared to us, glory 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 become as we are. Today he is clothed in the streams of the Jordan even though he has no need to be purified. He refashions us through the cleansing that he receives. What a marvelous wonder!

He creates anew without fire and refashions without tearing a part;
he grants salvation to those enlightened in him, Christ our God, the Saviour 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 baptism in the Jordan, O Lord, worship of the Trinity was revealed; for the Father's voice bore witness to you, calling you his beloved Son, and the Spirit in the form of a dove confirmed the truth of these words. O Christ God, you appeared and enlightened the world. Glory to you!