

Divine Liturgy, October 26

The holy and great martyr Demetrius. Born in Salonica of devout parents, he was a much-longed-for only child. Because of his 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: Kingsfold



1. De - me - tri - us, Christ's mar - tyr great, You shine like star so bright:
2. Like Christ, a spear once pierced your side, Like Him, you once were slain,
3. As you in-hab - it heav - en now, So draw us all to you,



Pre - serve us all from e - vil's strength And from the dev - il's might.
And now with Christ, in heav-en's height, En - throned, with Him you reign.
That dai - ly liv - ing Chris-tian lives God's grace shall us re - new.

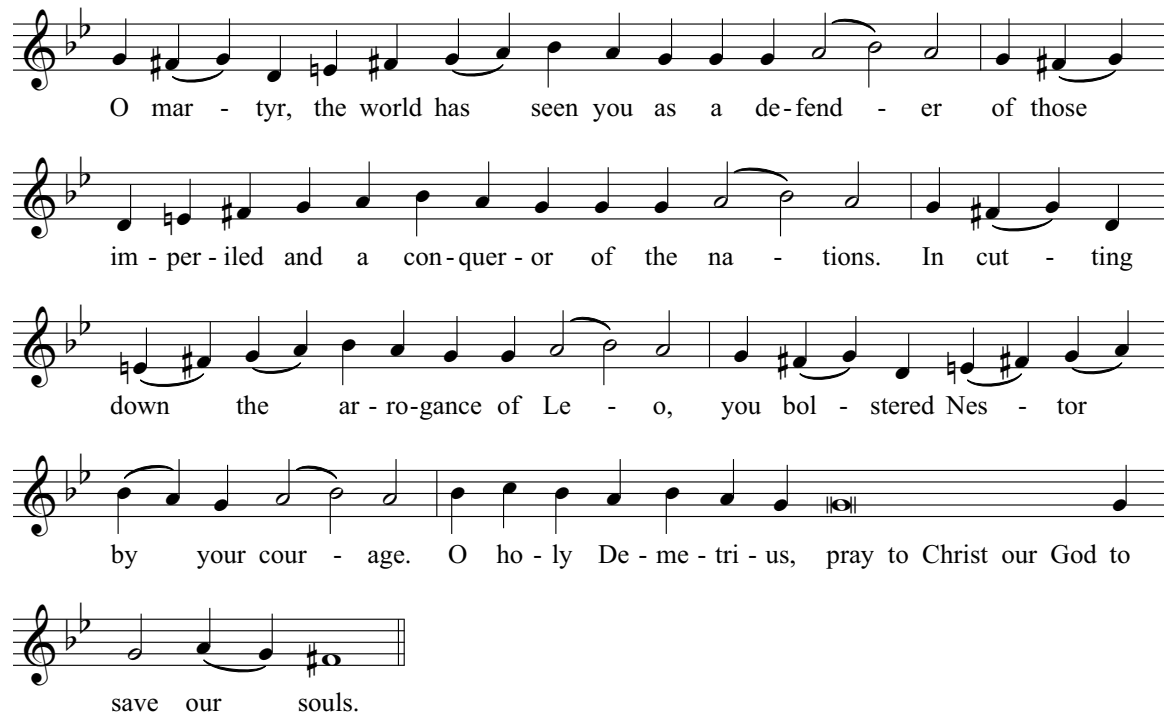


Your wit - ness for the Lord re - calls His Pas - sion for our sake;
Teach us to fol - low Christ our Lord Not count-ing price too steep;
Give praise to God the Trin - i - ty: To Fa - ther and to Son



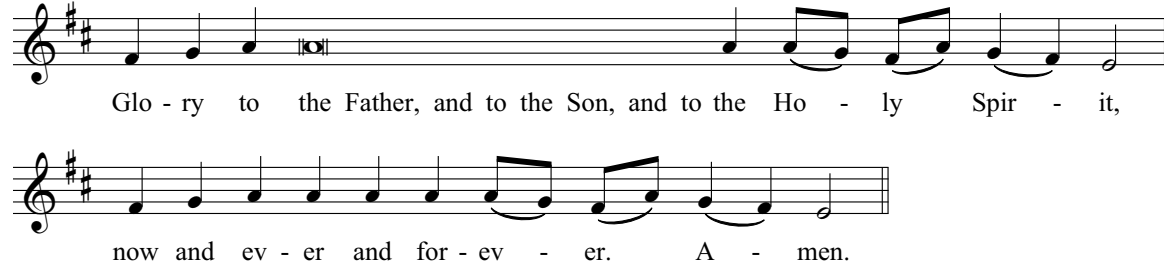
And fills us all with joy, and helps Us, too, our cross to take.
Help us to wit - ness, day by day, To all of Love so deep.
And to the Ho - ly Spir - it, Lord, E - ter - nal Three - in - One.

Troparion - Tone 3



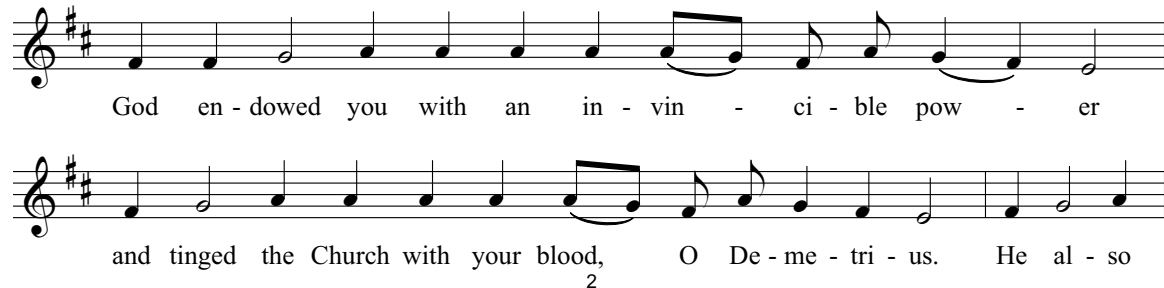
O mar - tyr, the world has seen you as a de-fend - er of those
 im - per - iled and a con-quer - or of the na - tions. In cut - ting
 down the ar - ro-gance of Le - o, you bol - stered Nes - tor
 by your cour - age. O ho - ly De - me - tri - us, pray to Christ our God to
 save our souls.

Cantor



Glo - ry to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir - it,
 now and ev - er and for - ev - er. A - men.

Kontakion - Tone 2

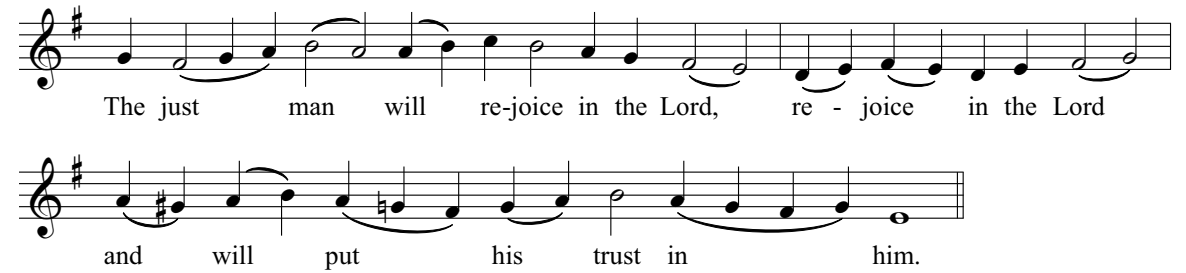


God en - dowed you with an in - vin - ci - ble pow - er
 and tinged the Church with your blood, O De - me - tri - us. He al - so



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

Prokeimenon - 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.

Verse: Hear my voice, O God, when I pray to you.

Alleluia - 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 Hymn (Psalm 111:6,7):

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The just man will be re-mem-bered for - ev - er; e - vil news he
Refrain
 will not fear, e - vil news he will not fear. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia!