

Vesper Propers for the Evening of Bright Friday, April 22, 2022
The Holy and Victorious Great-Martyr George

Supplement for Vespers on the Evening of Pascha and on the Days of Bright Week.

The service begins with "Blessed is our God" and the Paschal stichera, followed by the Litany of Peace.

"O Lord, I have cried" is sung in Tone 8, with 6 stichera: three of the Resurrection, in Tone 8, then three stichera in honor of the holy great-martyr George:

Cantor: (Tone 4) Because with the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption,
(on 3) Israel indeed he will redeem from all its iniquity.

Stichera for the holy great martyr George - Tone 4 podoben: Jako dobl'a

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Hav-ing gath - ered to geth - er to - day, we praise you, O George, as a
val - iant mar - tyr. You kept the faith and com - plet - ed the course
and re - ceived from God the crown of vic - to - ry.
En - treat him to deliver from trib - ul - la - tions and cor - rup - tion
those who faithful-ly ob - serve your pre - cious mem - o - ry.

Cantor: Praise the Lord all the nations; **Psalm 116**
(on 2) acclaim him all you people.

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Draw-ing hope from your firm-ness of mind, O glo-rious one, you will-ing-ly
persevered to martyrdom like a li - on. Scorn - ing the body as something
that would with - er, you were wise-ly concerned with your in-cor-rupt-i - ble soul.
Cov - ered with wounds by various forms of tor - ture, O George,
like gold you were pu - ri - fied sev - en - fold.


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

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You suf - fered mar - tyr - dom in behalf of the Sav-ior, O glo - rious one,
by a death similar to his vol - un - tar - y death. You reign glo-rious - ly with him,
clothed with the re-splen-dent pur-ple robes of your blood, and you are adorned with

The mys - ter - y hid - den from all a - ges and un-known to the an - gels
has been made known to those on earth through you, O The - o - to - kos.
God has taken flesh in a union with-out con - fu - sion, and will-ing-ly ac-cept-ed
the Cross for us; where - by he raised the first - formed Ad - am and saved
our souls from death.

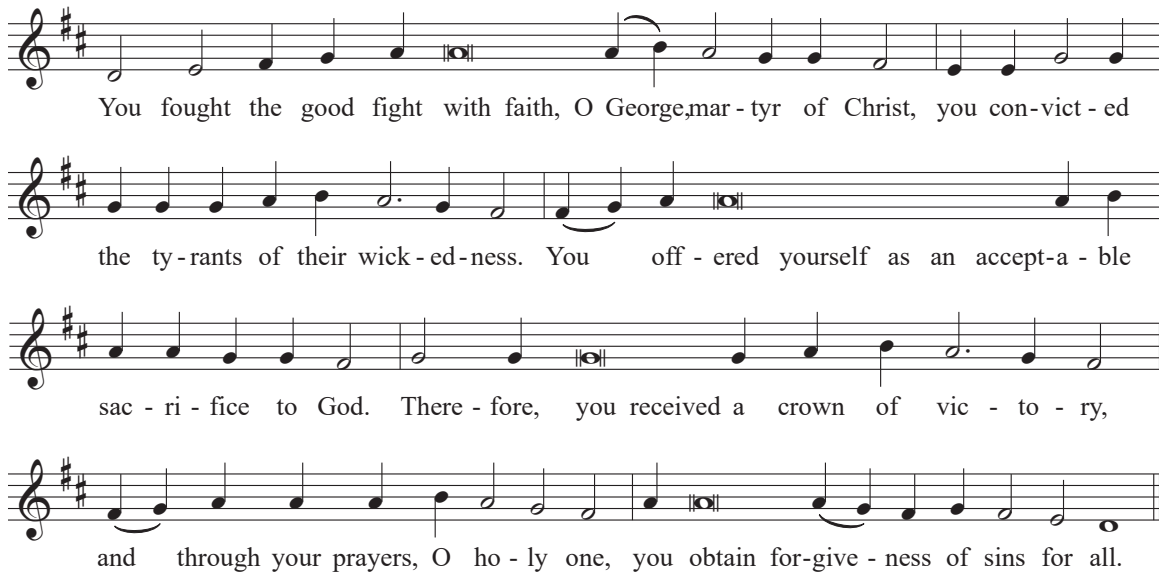
The service concludes with the Paschal dismissal, p. 19.

Celebrant: 
Now and ev - er and for - ev - er, A - - - men.

And continue with "This is the Resurrection Day" on page 19. Immediately after the "Christ is risen" of this hymn, we sing:

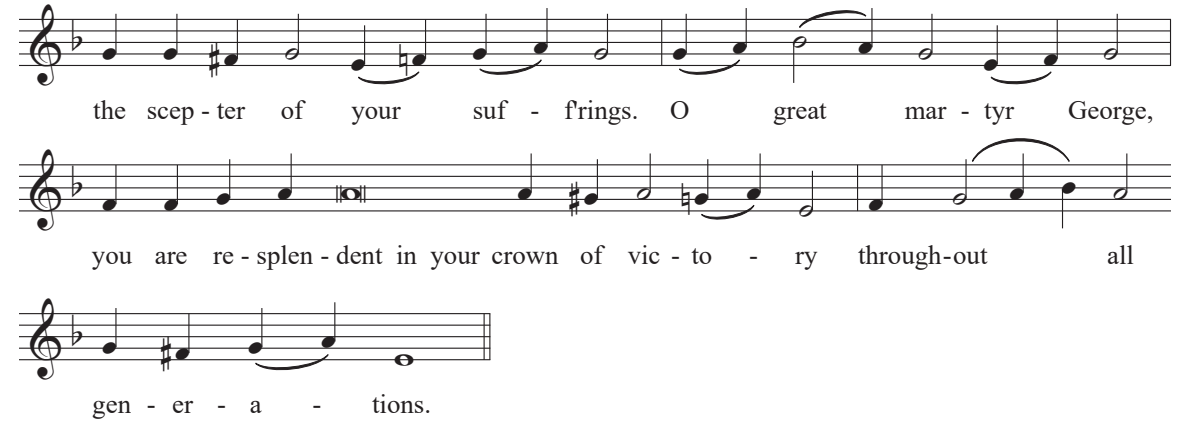
Priest (or cantor) 
Glo - ry to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir - it.

Troparion of the Holy Great-Martyr George - Tone 4



You fought the good fight with faith, O George, mar - tyr of Christ, you con - vict - ed
the ty - rants of their wick - ed - ness. You off - ered yourself as an accept - a - ble
sac - ri - fice to God. There - fore, you received a crown of vic - to - ry,
and through your prayers, O ho - ly one, you obtain for - give - ness of sins for all.

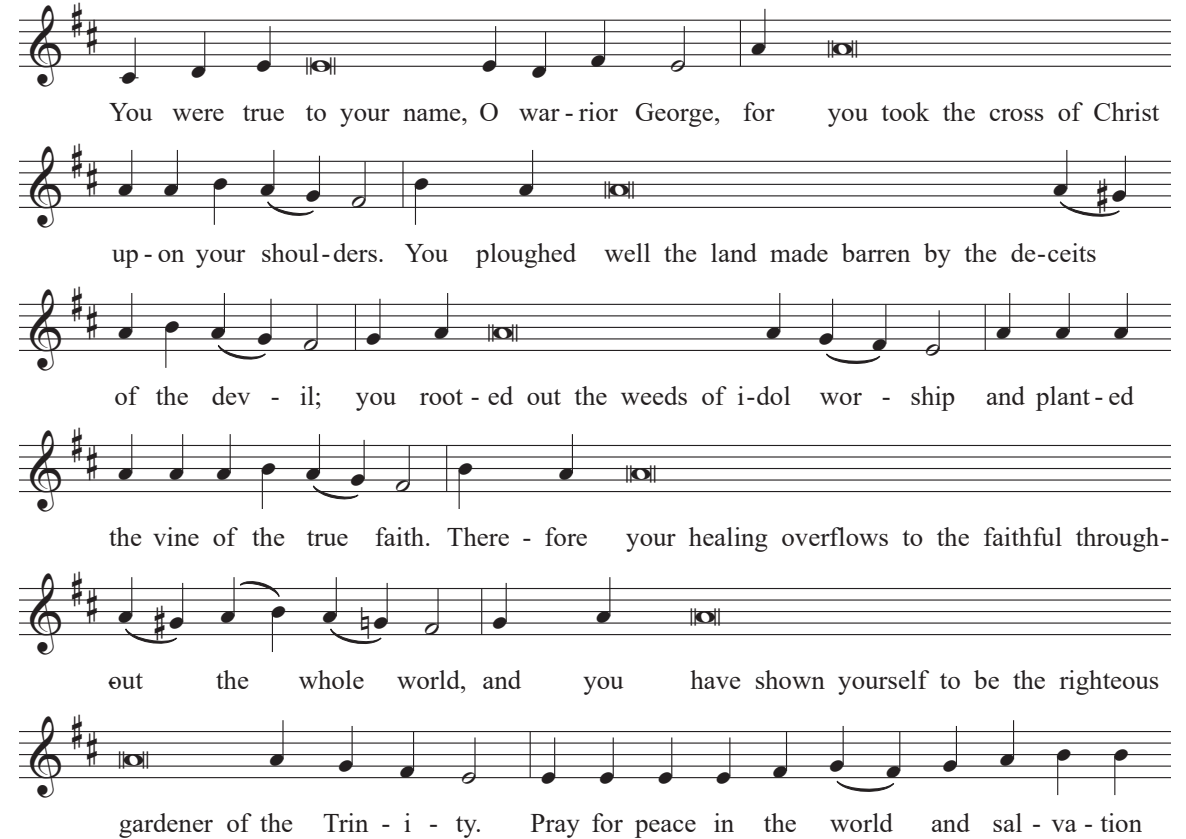
Priest (or cantor) 
Now and ev - er and for - ev - er. A - - - men.



the scep - ter of your suf - frings. O great mar - tyr George,
you are re - splen - dent in your crown of vic - to - ry through - out all
gen - er - a - tions.

Cantor: (Tone 6) Glory...

Doxastikon of the Great-Martyr George - Tone 6 samohlasen



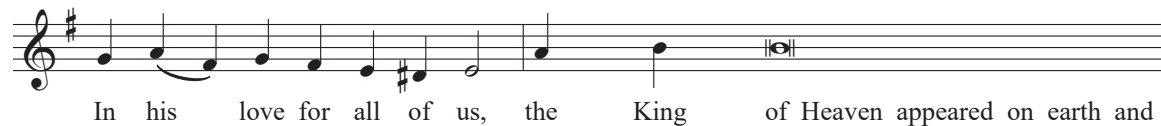
You were true to your name, O war - rior George, for you took the cross of Christ
up - on your shoul - ders. You ploughed well the land made barren by the de - ceits
of the dev - il; you root - ed out the weeds of i - dol wor - ship and plant - ed
the vine of the true faith. There - fore your healing overflows to the faithful through -
out the whole world, and you have shown yourself to be the righteous
gardener of the Trin - i - ty. Pray for peace in the world and sal - va - tion



for our souls.

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

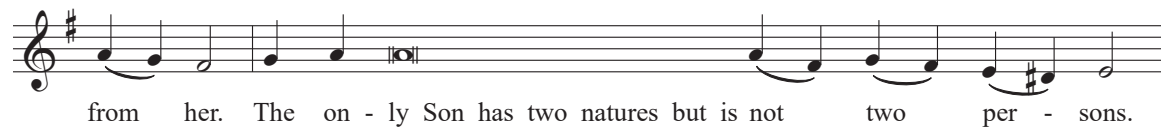
Doxastikon of the Resurrection - Tone 8



In his love for all of us, the King of Heaven appeared on earth and



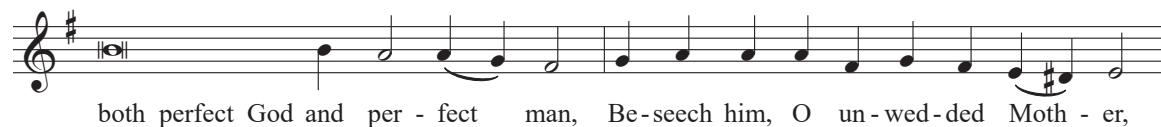
dwelt among us, for he took flesh from a pure Virgin and came forth



from her. The only Son has two natures but is not two persons.



We proclaim the truth about Christ our God, professing him to be



both perfect God and perfect man, Beseech him, O unwedded Mother,



to have mercy on our souls.

The service continues with the Hymn of the Evening on page 9.

Great prokeimenon of Bright Friday evening, page 25

Readings: Isaiah 43: 9-14 (EOT 303)
Wisdom 3: 1-9 (EOT 315)
Wisdom 4: 7-15 (EOT 308)

The service continues with the Litany of Supplication, "Make us worthy, O Lord," and the Angel of Peace litany.

Aposticha

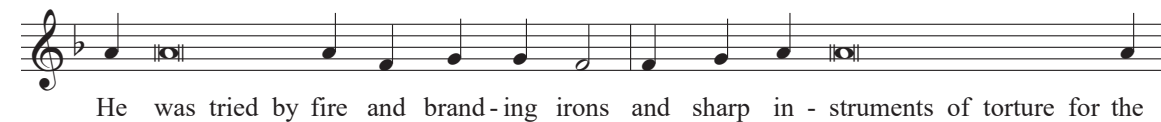
The aposticha are for the evening of Bright Friday, p. 55 followed by the Paschal stichera on p. 15, and concluding as follows:

Cantor: (Tone 4) Glory...

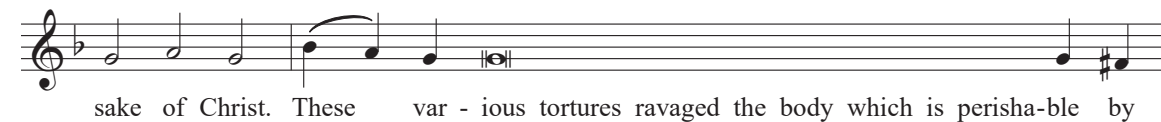
Doxastikon of the holy great-martyr George - Tone 4



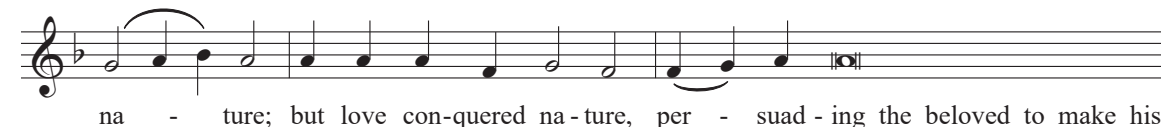
Let us spiritually praise the great-martyr George, the living steel of endurance.



He was tried by fire and branding irons and sharp instruments of torture for the



sake of Christ. These various tortures ravaged the body which is perishable by



nature; but love conquered nature, persuading the beloved to make his



way through death to Christ our God, the Savior of our souls.