Vesper Propers, August 2, 2026
Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

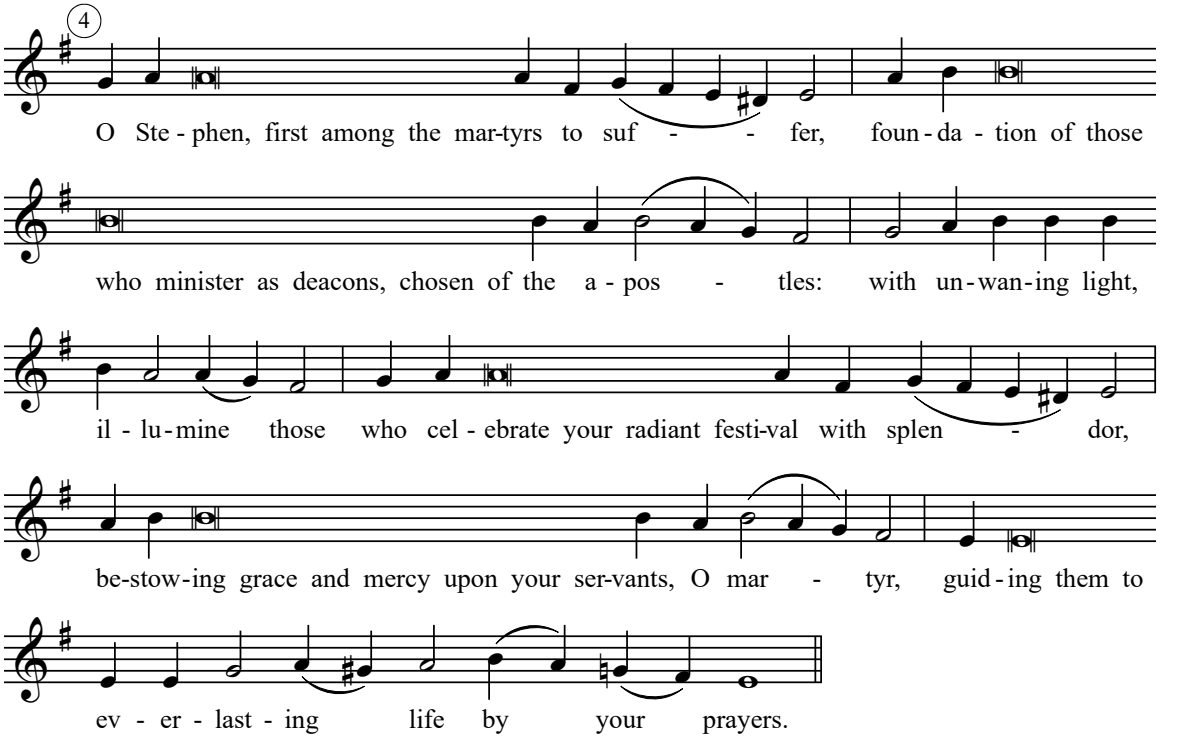
The translation of the relics of the holy protomartyr and archdeacon Stephen. Tradition says that the body of St. Stephen was taken by the Rabbi Gamaliel, a secret disciple of Christ's, and buried in a cave in the town of Capargamala. In AD 415, Gamaliel appeared in a dream to the priest Lucian in that town, and revealed the burial place of the Protomartyr. They were later translated from Palestine to Constantinople.

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

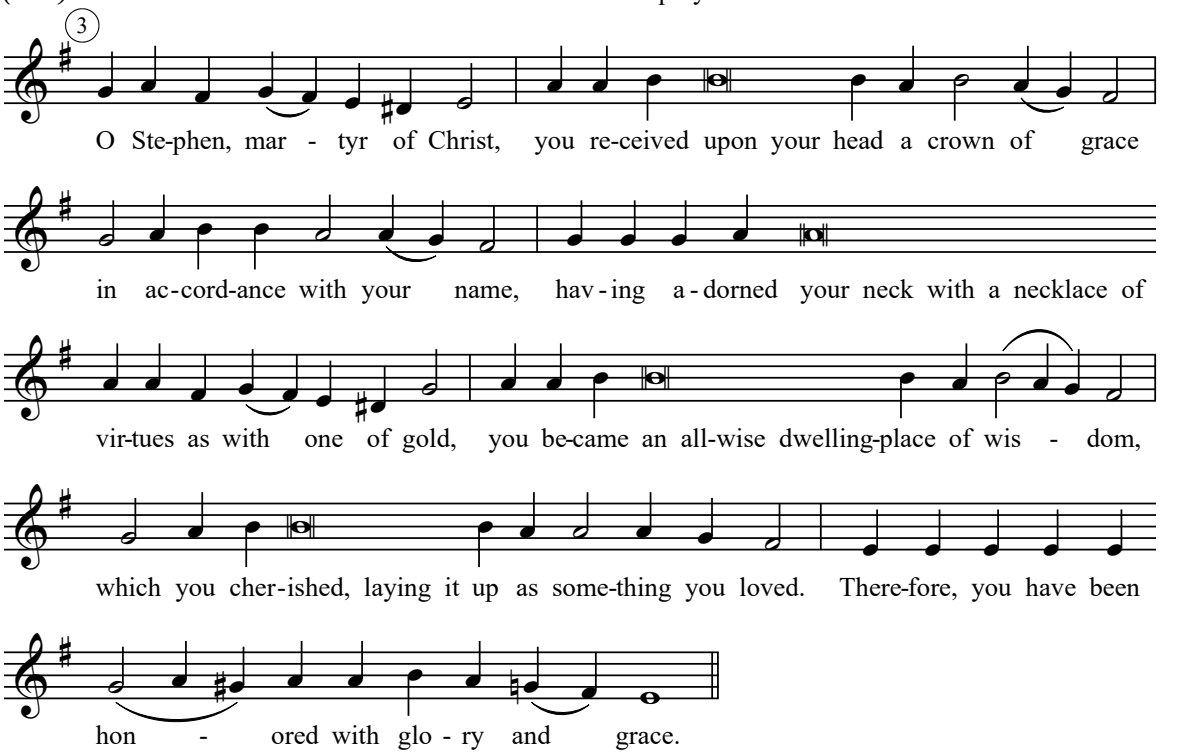
Lamplighting Psalms in the Tone of the Week (Tone 1, p. 24), stichera 10-5.

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

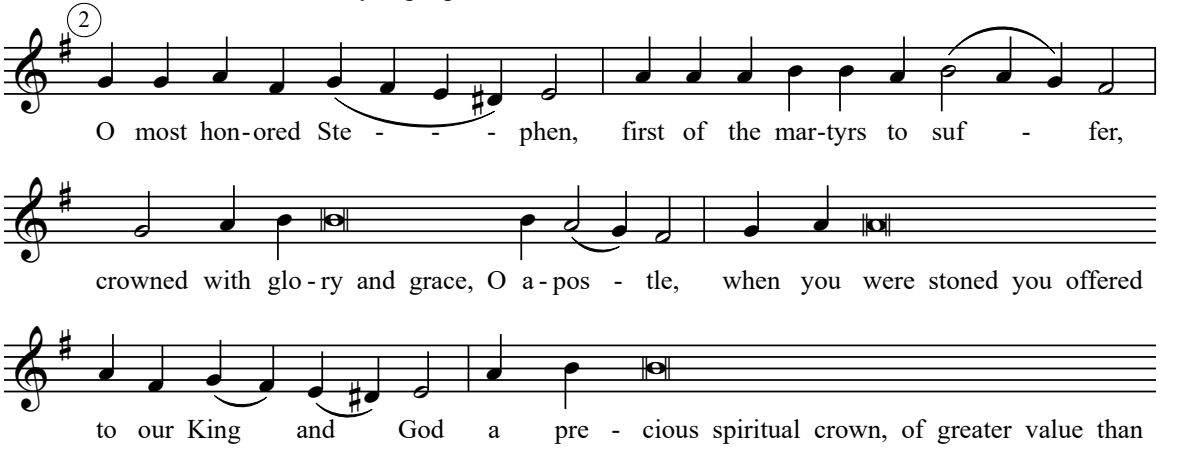
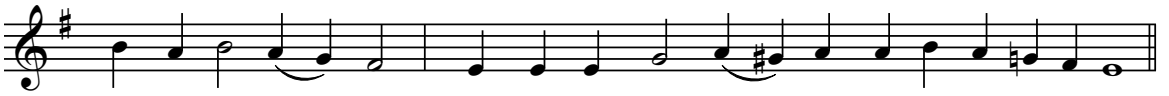
Stichera of the holy protomartyr Stephen - *Tone 8 samohlasen*



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

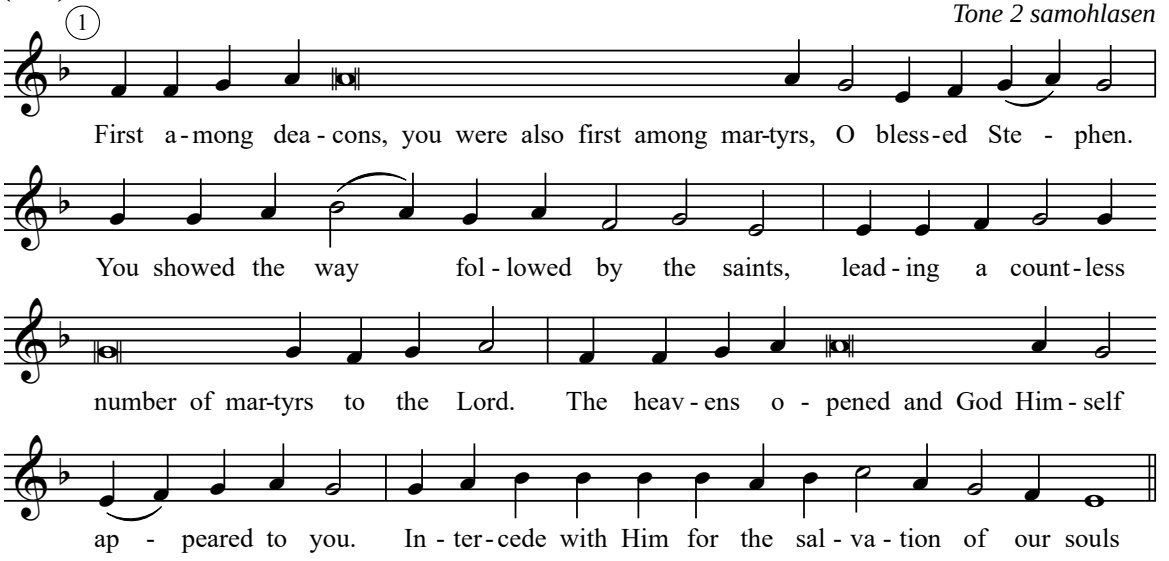


Cantor: Praise the Lord, all you nations,
(on 2) acclaim him all you peoples!



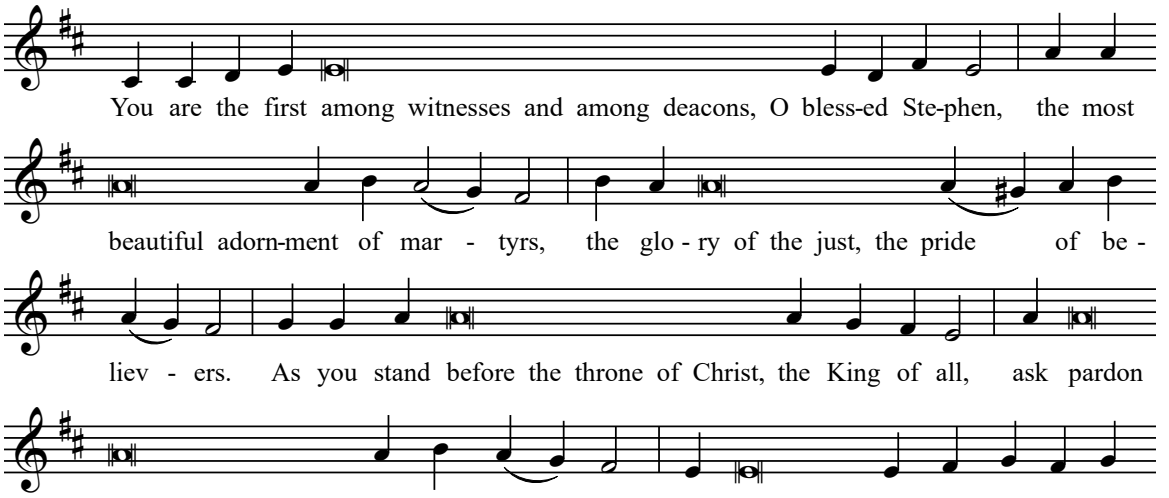
Cantor: *(Tone 2)* Strong is the love of the Lord for us;
(on 1) he is faithful forever.

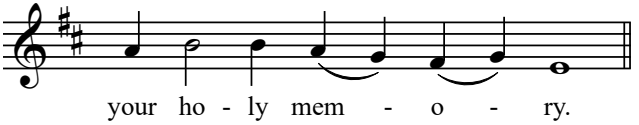
Tone 2 samohlasen



Cantor: *(Tone 6)* Glory…

Doxastikon of the holy protomartyr Stephen - *Tone 6 samohlasen*





Cantor: *(Tone 1)* Now and ever…

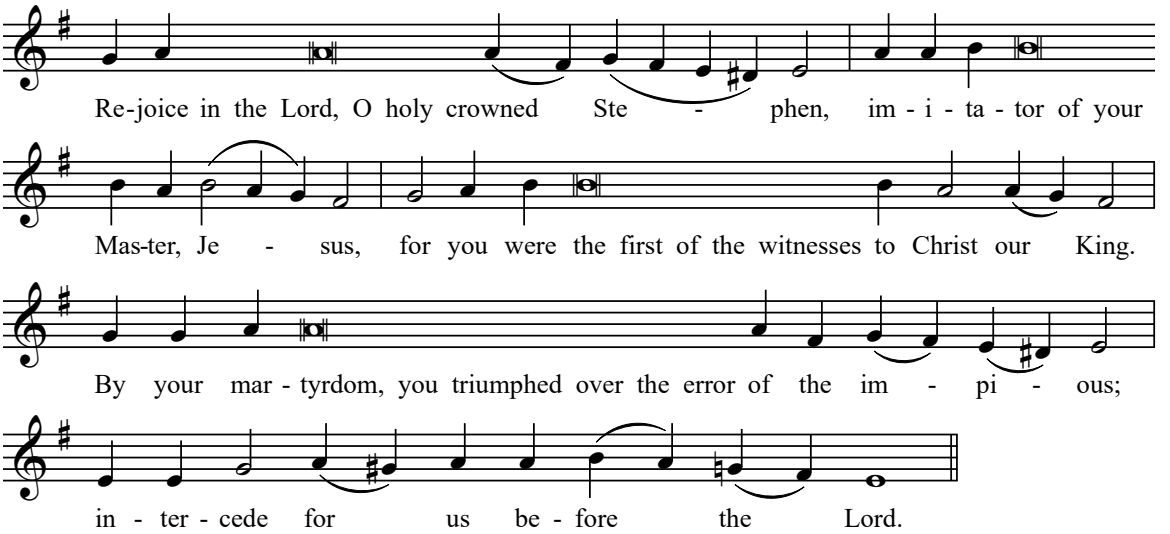
Dogmatikon in the Tone of the Week (Tone 1, page 30).

Aposticha

Aposticha in the Tone of the Week (Tone 1, page 31), concluding with:

Cantor: *(Tone 8)* Glory...

Aposticha doxastikon of the holy protomartyr Stephen - *Tone 8 samohlasen*



Cantor: Now and ever...

Aposticha theotokion in the same tone (Tone 8, p.110):
O Virgin, you have never known wedlock, * yet you conceived our God in the flesh * in a manner which words can never describe. * You thus became the mother of God on high. * O Immaculate Lady, receive your servants' supplication, * granting us the cleansing of our sins. * Accept now our prayers and beseech God to save all of us. *The service continues on p. 19.*

Troparia in the Tone of the week (Tone 1, p. 34).