

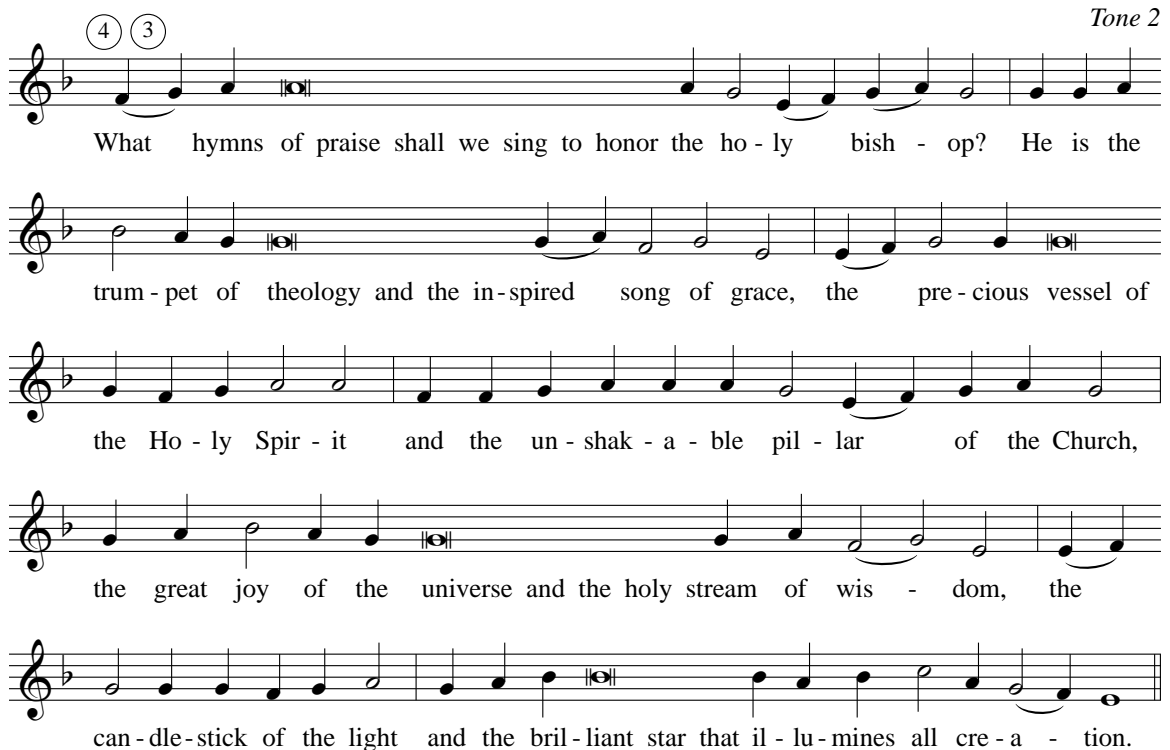
Vesper Propers: February 19, 2005
Second Sunday of the Great Fast:
Memory of our Holy Father Gregory, Archbishop of Thessalonica
Our Venerable Father Leo, Bishop of Catania
Our Holy Father Agathon, Pope of Rome

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

Tone 2



What hymns of praise shall we sing to honor the ho - ly bish - op? He is the
trum - pet of theology and the in - spired song of grace, the pre - cious vessel of
the Ho - ly Spir - it and the un - shak - a - ble pil - lar of the Church,
the great joy of the universe and the holy stream of wis - dom, the
can - dle - stick of the light and the bril - liant star that il - lu - mines all cre - a - tion.

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

Cantor: Praise the Lord, all you nations;
(on 3) acclaim him, all you peoples!

Psalm 116

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With what wreaths of hymns shall we crown this ho - ly bish - op? He is the
in - vincible support of de - vo - tion and the a - vowed en - e - my of god - less - ness,
the zeal - ous de - fend - er of the faith and the teach - er and mas - ter
of ho - ly monks, the har - mon - i - ous lyre of the Spirit and the gold - en tongue,
the foun - tain from which the faithful draw heal - ing wa - ters, ho - ly
Gre - gory, who is wor - thy of all ad - mir - a - tion.

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

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With what lips shall we mortals praise this ho - ly bish - op? He is the teach - er
of the Church and the herald of the di - vine light, the one who is im - mersed

in the Trin - i - ty, the most beau - ti - ful a - dorn - ment of ho - ly monks, re - nowned
 for his divine contemplation and the brightness of his vir - tues; the pride
 and glo - ry of Thes - sa - lo - ni - ca; and the ho - ly Demetrius, whose rel - ics
 flow with ho - ly oil, shares with him the king - dom of heav - en.

Cantor: Glory...

Doxastikon

Tone 6

O most ho - ly and thrice - bless - ed fa - ther, you are a disciple of Christ the high priest
 as well as a good shep - herd; you have giv - en your life for your sheep.
 And now, O holy and God - bear - ing Gre - go - ry, in - tercede with him to
 grant us his great mer - - - cy.

Cantor: Now and ever...

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11. *Apostichera, Tone 5*, pp.77-79

Cantor: Glory...

Aposticha Doxastikon

Tone 8

Your voice, which is al-ways read - y to teach, re-sounds in the ears of our hearts;
it a-wak-ens even the most sloth-ful souls. And by your in-spired words,
you show us the steps of the ladder which leads us from earth to God. O
ho - ly Gregory. wonder of Thes-sa - lo - ni - ca, in - ter - cede with Christ, that with
his di - vine bright - ness, he may enlighten those who hon - or your
mem - o - ry.

Cantor: Now and ever...

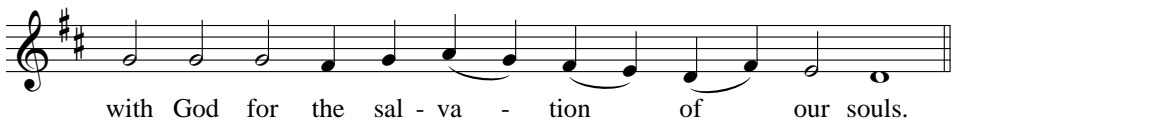
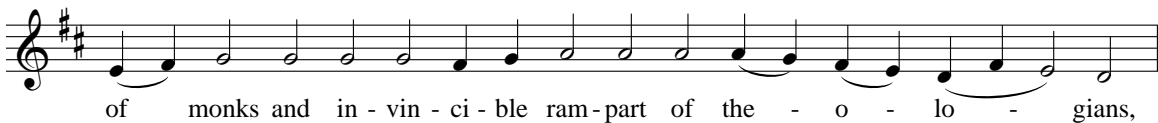
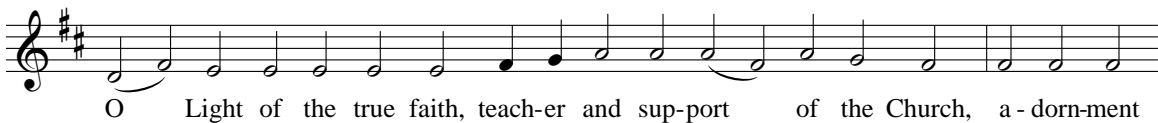
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12. *Prayer of St. Simeon, p. 19*

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Glory...now and ever...

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