

Vesper Propers, June 30, 2019  
Third Sunday after Pentecost

**The Synaxis of the Twelve Apostles.** Although each of the Twelve Apostles has his own feast day during the year, the Church has set aside this day for a general feast of all of them together.

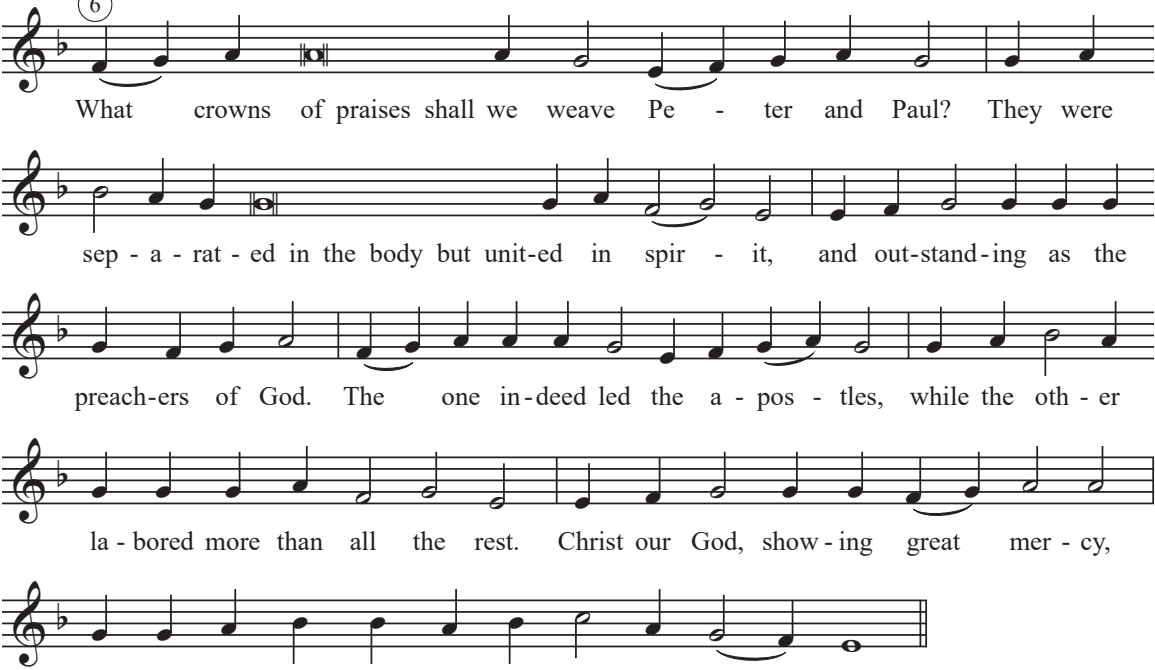
*Supplement for The Order of Vespers for Sundays after Pentecost, 2006*

*Lamplighting Psalms in the Tone of the Week (Tone 2, p. 36), stichera 10-7.*

**Cantor:** (Tone 2) 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 holy apostles Peter and Paul - Tone 2 samohlasen**

⑥



What crowns of praises shall we weave Pe - ter and Paul? They were  
sep - a - rat - ed in the body but unit-ed in spir - it, and out-stand-ing as the  
preach-ers of God. The one in-deed led the a - pos - tles, while the oth - er  
la - bored more than all the rest. Christ our God, show - ing great mer - cy,  
fit - ting - ly crowns them with im - mor - tal glo - ry.

**Cantor:** 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.

⑤



With what beau - tiful hymns shall we praise Pe - ter and Paul? They are wings

of div - ine knowl - edge, spread-ing out to the far ends of the earth  
 and soar-ing a - loft to heav - en. They are two heads of the  
 Gos - pel of grace, two feet of the preach-ing of the truth, two  
 riv - ers of wisdom and two arms of the Cross, through which  
 the mer - ci - ful Christ casts down the pride of de - mons.

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

④  
 With what spir - itual songs shall we praise Pe - ter and Paul? They slew  
 the god-less tongues of i - dol - a - ters. They are fear - ful swords of the Spirit and  
 notable a-dorn - ments of Rome, both nour-ish - ers of the whole world  
 and the God-in-spired tablets of the New Cov - e - nant. Christ, in his great mer-cy,

## Troparia

*Troparion of the Resurrection, in the Tone of the Week (Tone 2, p. 47).*

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

**Troparion of the Twelve Apostles - Tone 8**

Your preach-ing has spread o - ver the whole earth, be - cause you have  
 re - ceived the Spir - it in flam - ing tongues. You burned down the lies  
 of i - dol - a - try, and you have caught the stray - ing peo - ple with the  
 net of faith. The heav - ens de - clare your glo - ry for this,  
 and the fir - ma - ment pro - claims your works. We join them in a song to your  
 mem - o - ry: Through the pray'rs of your twelve a - pos - tles, save us, O God.

**Cantor:** Now and ever...


*Festal theotokion in the same tone (Tone 8, p. 111).*

## Aposticha

*Aposticha in the Tone of the Week (Tone 2, p. 43), concluding with*

**Cantor:** (Tone 6) Glory...

**Aposticha doxastikon of the Council Fathers - Tone 6 samohlasen**



To - day a delightful feast has shone forth to the ends of the earth,  
the all-solemn memorial of the most wise and first a-pos - tles, Pe - ter and Paul.  
Let Rome, therefore, receive the glad tid - ings, re - joic - ing; and let us  
feast on this solemn day, cry-ing out to them: Re - joice, O Peter, apostle and special  
friend of the Teach-er, Christ our God. Re-joice, O tru - ly be-lov - ed Paul,  
the preach-er of the faith and teacher of the u - ni-verse. Be-cause of your privi-lege,  
O ho - ly ones, be-seech Christ our God to save our souls.

**Cantor:** Now and ever...

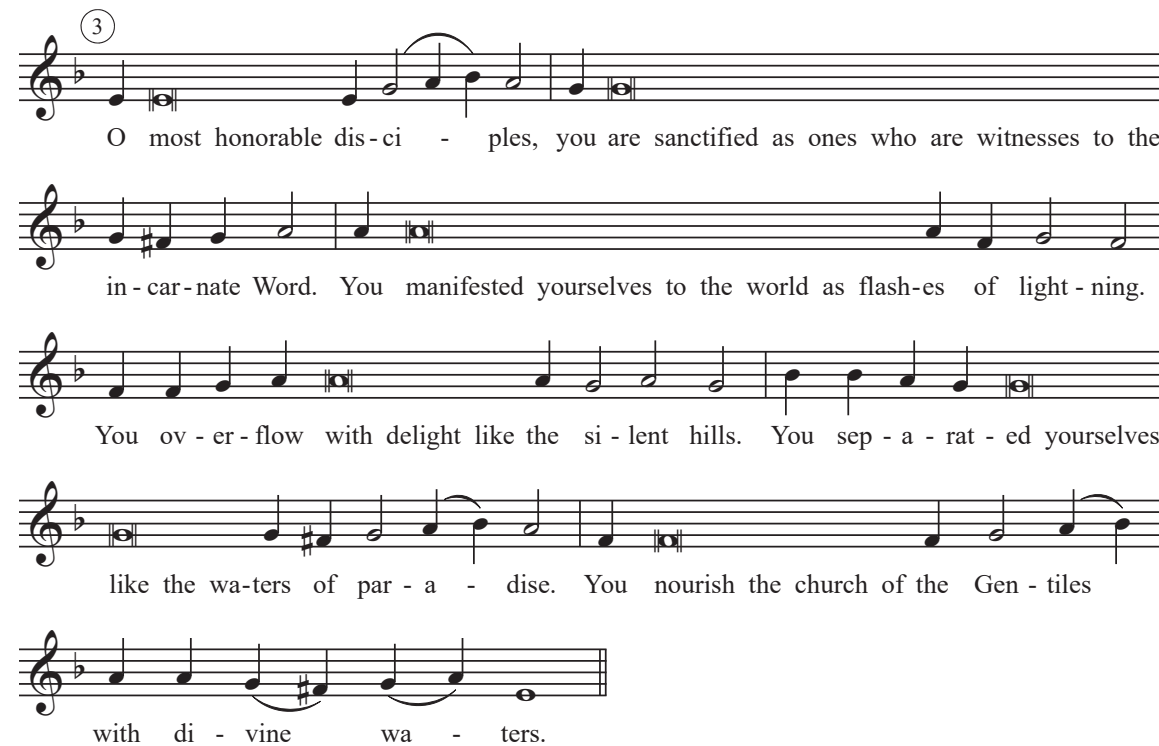
*Aposticha theotokion in the same tone (Tone 6, p. 90).*



has pro-claimed their hon - or in Zi - on.

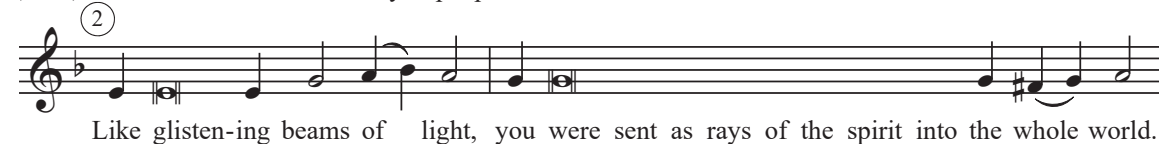
**Cantor:** (Tone 4) Because with the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption,  
(on 3) Israel indeed he will redeem from all its iniquity.

**Stichera of the Synaxis of the Twelve Apostles - Tone 4 samohlasen**



③  
O most honorable dis-ci - ples, you are sanctified as ones who are witnesses to the  
in-car-nate Word. You manifested yourselves to the world as flash-es of light-ning.  
You ov - er-flow with delight like the si - lent hills. You sep - a - rat - ed yourselves  
like the wa-ters of par - a - dise. You nourish the church of the Gen - tiles  
with di - vine wa - ters.

**Cantor:** Praise the Lord, all you nations, **Psalm 116**  
(on 2) acclaim him all you peoples!



②  
Like glisten-ing beams of light, you were sent as rays of the spirit into the whole world.

You abundantly grant-ed mi-ra-cles and were min-isters of the mys-te-ries of Christ.

You were the tab-lets of the Sac-red Scrip-tures. You were the inscriptions

of God's grace. and of the law taught by God, O precious ministers of the

priest-ly my-ste-ries.

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

①  
You are the spears of fish-er-men and the elo-quence of phi-lo-so-phers.

You are the lofty words of de-ba-ters. You are the teach-ings of those who are wise

in God, the mod-els for all doc-trine, and you clearly explained the mysteries

of the Gos-pel. You are the par-tak-ers of the everlast-ing nour-ish-ment and the

de-light of the an-gels. You live for-e-ver in glo-ry.

**Cantor:** *(Tone 6)* Glory...

**Doxastikon of the holy apostles Peter and Paul - Tone 6**

The most hon-orable feast has ar-rived, the feast of the Church of Christ,

the feast of the interces-sors of our sal-va-tion. There-fore, let us mystic'ly rejoice

and say to them: Re-joyce, for you have become the light of those in dark-ness,

shin-ing splen-dors of the Spir-it-u-al Sun. Re-joyce, O Peter and Paul, unshakable

foundations of di-vine teach-ings, friends of Christ and cho-sen ves-sels. Be pres-ent

a-mong us in an in-vis-i-ble man-ner and grant spir-it-u-al gifts

to those who praise your feast with hymns.

**Cantor:** *(Tone 2)* Now and ever...

*Dogmatikon in the Tone of the Week (Tone 2, p. 42)*