

Vesper Propers, June 18, 2023

Third Sunday After Pentecost

The holy martyr Leontius, soldier at Tripoli in Phoenicia, who, having suffered patiently harsh tortures in prison, was granted the crown of martyrdom in the reign of the emperor Vespasian. (c. 73)

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

Lamplighting Psalms in the Tone of the Week (Tone 2, p. 36), stichera 10-4.

Cantor: (Tone 8) 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 martyr Leontius - Tone 8 samohlasen

What shall we call you, O illustrious mar - tyr? An ob - la - tion from Greece,
since it is your home - land? The pu - rification of Phoenicia, since there you
were sac - ri - ficed? A light shin - ing in the dark - - ness, a val - iant
com - batant, un - bowed be - neath the blows? Man - i - fold is your glory, O blessed
Le - on - ti - us! In - tercede for the sal - va - - tion of our souls!

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

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How shall we invoke you, O vic-to-ri-ous ath - lete? A sol - dier of Christ, defeat-ing

the en - e - my? A sub - du - er of the passions, fight-ing for the Faith?

A friend of the poor, feeding the hungry, lov-ing jus - - tice? A di-vine-ly -

mind-ed mar - tyr? Count-less were your sufferings, resplendent your strug - gles!

In - tercede for the sal - va - - tion of our souls!

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

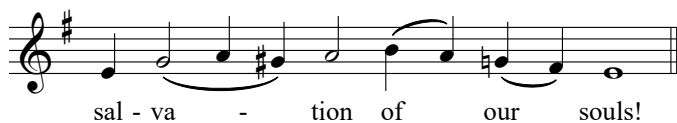
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Who would not admire you, O Le-on - ti-us? At-tain-ing the Fountain of all truth

as your dwell - ing, you re-fresh believers with a veritable river of bless - ings.

You free - ly off - er your gifts to all who thirst, and you bring joy

to those who drink from the streams of your good - ness. In - tercede for the



sal - va - tion of our souls!

Cantor: (Tone 1) Glory...

Doxastikon - Tone 1 samohlasen



O all-praised ath-lete Le-on - tius! nei-ther fire nor wound-ing nor the sword



were a-ble to separate you from the love of Christ; but, suf-fering manfully in the



midst of your tor-tur - ers, you a-bol-ished the offerings made to i - dols,



O di-vine-ly-wise bearer of the crown of mar-tyr - dom, and now you dance



in the heav - ens! In - ter-cede for the sal - va - tion of our souls!

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

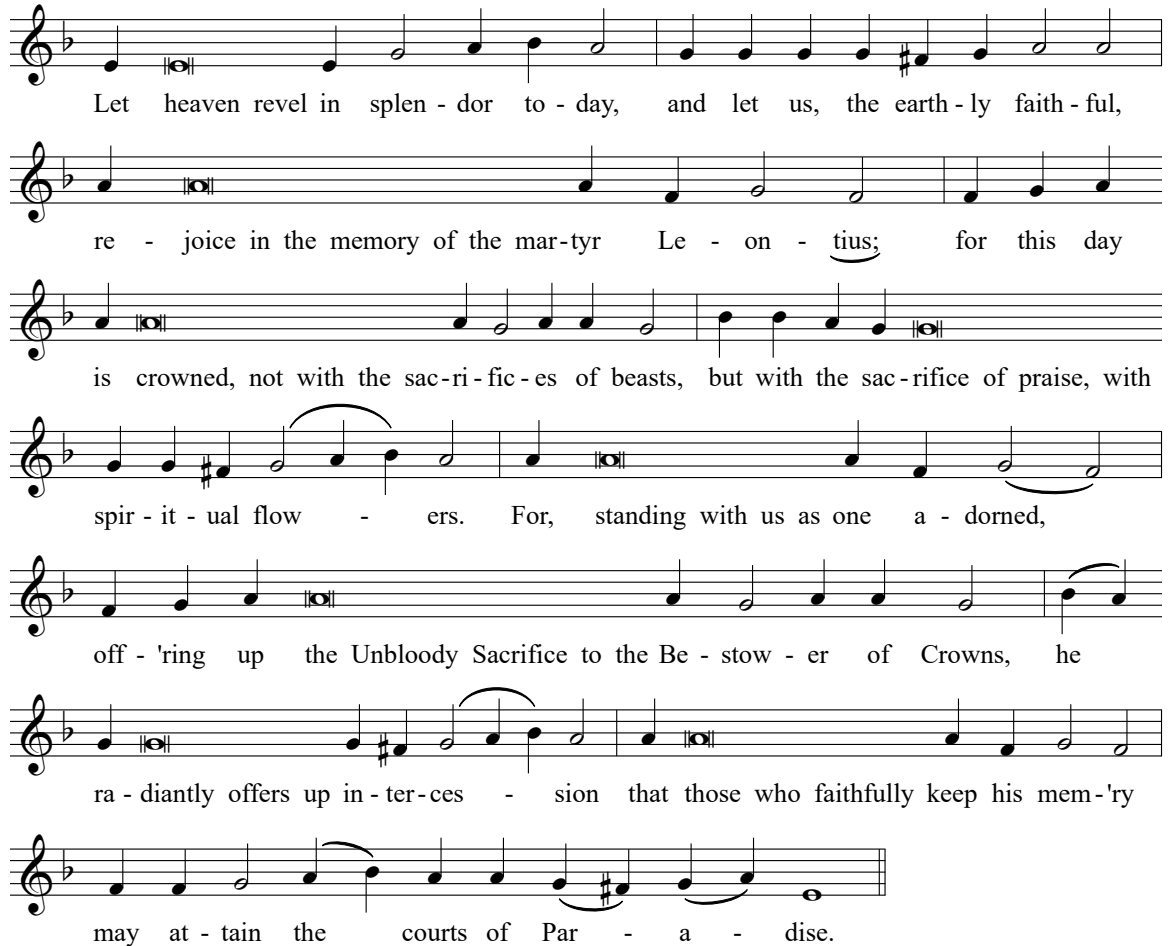
Dogmatikon in the Tone of the week (Tone 2, page 42).

Aposticha

Sunday aposticha in the Tone of the Week (Tone 2, p. 43), concluding with:

Cantor: (Tone 4) Glory...

Aposticha doxastikon of the holy martyr Leontius - Tone 4 samohlasen



Let heaven revel in splen - dor to - day, and let us, the earth - ly faith - ful,
re - joice in the memory of the mar - tyr Le - on - tius; for this day
is crowned, not with the sac - ri - fic - es of beasts, but with the sac - rifice of praise, with
spir - it - ual flow - ers. For, standing with us as one a - dorned,
off - 'ring up the Unbloody Sacrifice to the Be - stow - er of Crowns, he
ra - diantly offers up in - ter - ces - sion that those who faithfully keep his mem - 'ry
may at - tain the courts of Par - a - dise.

Cantor: Now and ever...

Aposticha theotokion in the same tone (Tone 4, p. 67).

Troparia in the Tone of the Week (Tone 2, p. 47).