

**Vesper Propers, August 14, 2005**  
**Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost**

**14 Prefestive day of the Dormition of the Theotokos**

**The holy prophet Micah.** Of the tribe of Judah and from the village of Morasth, he was a contemporary of the prophets Isaiah, Amos, and Hosea. He denounced the vices of his people, foretold the fall of Samaria, and was a seer of the coming Messiah. He named Bethlehem as the birthplace of the Messiah. He was buried in his own village, and his relics were found in the time of the emperor Theodosius.

**Translation of the relics of our venerable father Theodosius, hegumen of the Monastery of the Caves**

*Supplement for **The Order of Vespers for Sundays after Pentecost, 2004***

*Tone of the Week: Tone 4 (begins on page 58), stichera 10 - 7.*

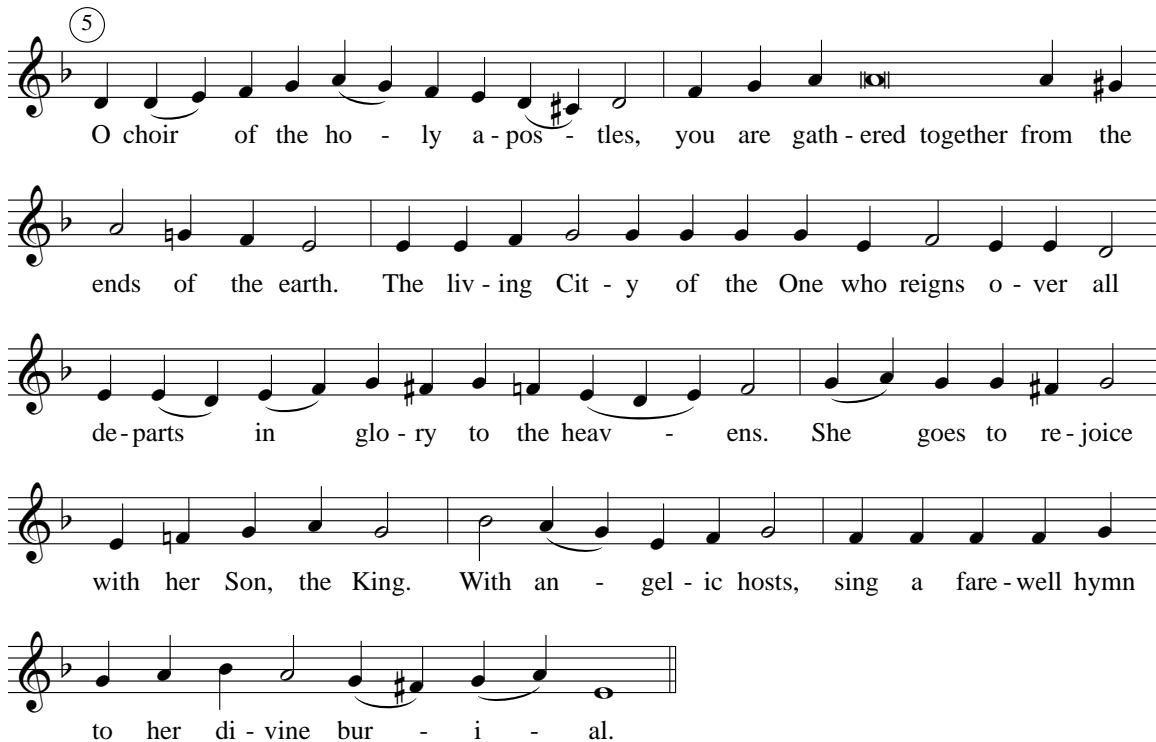
**Cantor:** (Tone 4) If you, O Lord, should mark our guilt, Lord, who would survive?  
(on 6) But with you is found forgiveness: for this we revere you.

**Stichera of the Postfeast - Tone 4 podobn: Jako doblja**

At the sound of the cym - bals let us sing re - sound - ing hymns,  
an - ti - ci - pating the feast of her de - par - ture. Let us lift  
our voices in a brilliant chor - us be - fore her sep - ul - chre. For the The - otokos  
and the gold - en Tab - er - na - cle now pre - pares to pass from earth to heav - en,  
to the new life and the di - vine splen - - - dor.

**Cantor:** My soul is waiting for the Lord, I count on his word.  
(on 5) My soul is longing for the Lord more than watchman for daybreak.

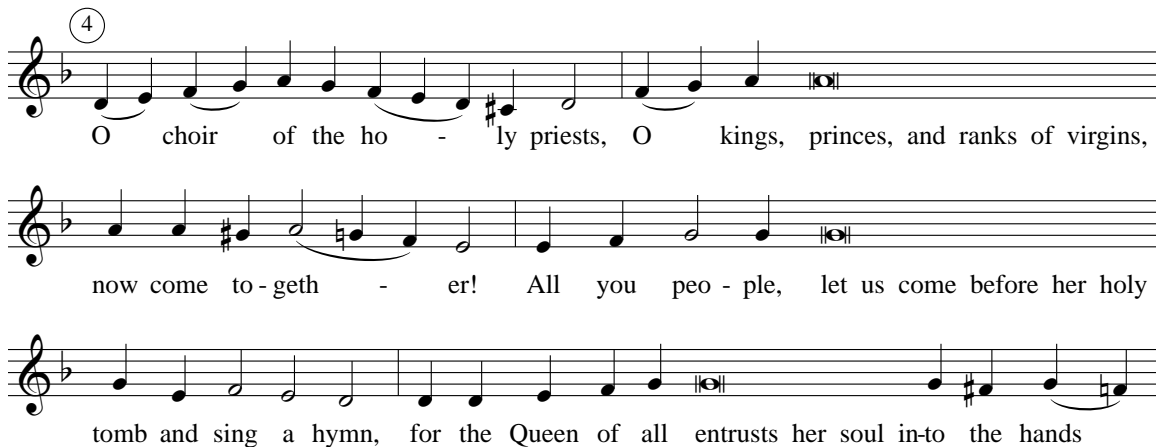
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O choir of the ho - ly a - pos - tles, you are gath - ered together from the  
ends of the earth. The liv - ing Cit - y of the One who reigns o - ver all  
de - parts in glo - ry to the heav - ens. She goes to re - joice  
with her Son, the King. With an - gel - ic hosts, sing a fare - well hymn  
to her di - vine bur - i - al.

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

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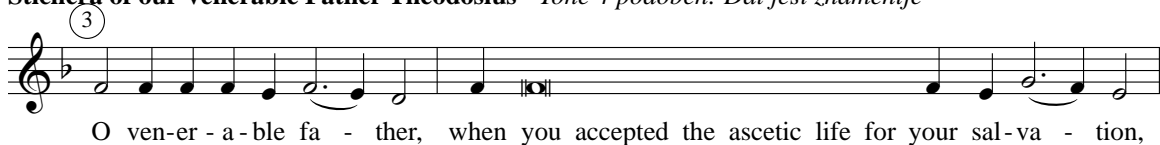
O choir of the ho - ly priests, O kings, princes, and ranks of virgins,  
now come to - geth - er! All you peo - ple, let us come before her holy  
tomb and sing a hymn, for the Queen of all entrusts her soul in - to the hands



of her Son, to be tak - en to the heav - en - ly home.

**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.

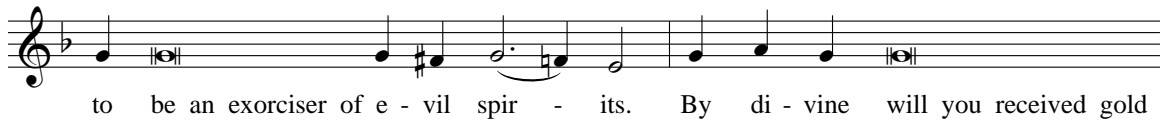
**Stichera of our Venerable Father Theodosius - Tone 4 podoben: Dal jesi znamenije**



O ven - er - a - ble fa - ther, when you accepted the ascetic life for your sal - va - tion,



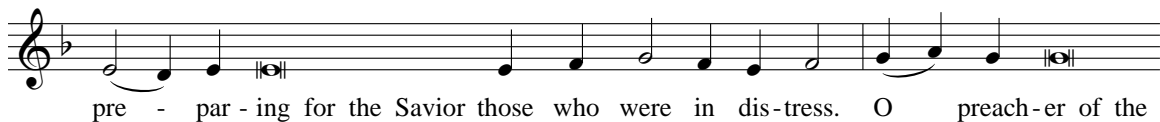
then you were elightened in - vis - i - bly from heav - en and were shown



to be an exorciser of e - vil spir - its. By di - vine will you received gold



which you gave to those in need. You filled their empty ves - sels with pro - duce,

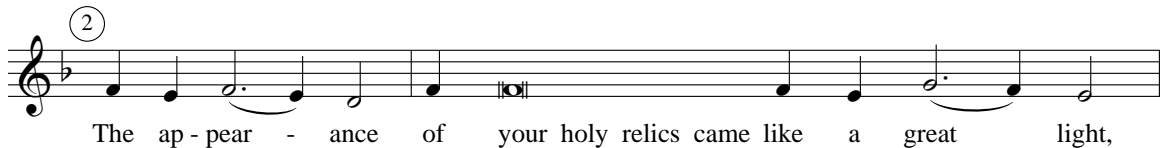


pre - par - ing for the Savior those who were in dis - tress. O preach - er of the



faith of Christ our God, pray to him ro enlighten and save our souls.

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



The ap - pear - ance of your holy relics came like a great light,

un - der - stood to be like the an - gel - ic splen - dor. The great Ste - phen  
 ran quick - ly with long - ing and joy, see - ing them com - ing in the dis - tance.  
 He found your bod - y whole and in - cor - rupt, and glo - ri - fied Christ our God.  
 O Fa - ther, pray to him to save and en - light - en our souls.

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

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 When those who wished to bear your bod - y came to the cave where you were  
 bur - ied. they re - joiced on o - pen - ing the tomb; for they saw your ho - ly  
 re - mains whole and un - touched by cor - rup - tion, the hair fram - ing your  
 glo - ri - ous face, and your eyes and mouth joined in prais - es of  
 Christ our God. Pray to him to enlighten and save our souls.

**Cantor:** Glory...

**Doxastikon of Theodosius - Tone 6 samohlasen**

In faith we are all called together to cel-e-brate this feast. Let us hasten today  
to com-mem-o - rate the trans-fer - ral of your holy relics, O ven - er - a - ble  
Fa - ther, and let us say: Re - joice, O consecrated dwelling of the di-vine  
Spir - it and pil - lar of pi - e - ty; re-joyce, boast of as-cet - ics,  
for you increased the talent giv-en you by God; re - joice, bright beacon to the  
world and our con-so - la - tion. As you now stand before the throne of Christ,  
beg him to deliver us from all trou-ble and dis - tress and that we may at-tain the  
fu - ture glo - ry; for we cel - e - brate your mem - o - ry in faith.

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

*Dogmatikon, Tone 4, p. 64*

*The service continues with the Hymn of the Evening, page 12.*

**Readings:** Wisdom 5:15-6:3  
Wisdom 3: 1-9  
Wisdom 4: 7-15

*Aposticha, Tone 4, p. 65*

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

**Aposticha Doxastikon of Theodosius - Tone 8**

The mul - titude of monks praise you as their teach - er, O The - odosi-us our  
Fa - ther, for by your paths you truly showed us the way we should go.  
You are a bless-ed serv - ant of Christ; you un-masked the power of the  
en - e - my. O dwell-er with angels and companion of the monks and the just,  
pray with them that the Lord grant mer - cy to our souls.

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

**Theotokion of the Prefeast - Tone 2**

She is high-er than the heav - ens, and more glo-rious than the Cher - u - bim,  
and more hon - 'ra - ble than all cre - a - tion. Her out - stand - ing purity became

the dwelling-place of the e - ter - nal di - vin - i - ty. To - day she plac-es her  
 all - pure soul in-to the hands of her Son. With her, the universe is filled with joy,  
 and the grace of sal - va - tion is giv - en to us.

*The service continues with the Prayer of the Holy Prophet Simeon, page 19.*

*Troparion of the Resurrection, Tone 4, p. 68*

**Troparion of Theodosius - Tone 8**

Guide to Or - tho - dox - y, teach - er of pi - e - ty and ho - li - ness,  
 lu - mi - nar - y for the world, in - spired  
 a - dorn-ment of monks, O wise The - o - do - si - us, harp of the  
 Spir - it, you en - light-ened all by your teach - ings;  
 in - ter - cede with Christ our God to save our souls.

*Glory...now and ever [Tone 4]*

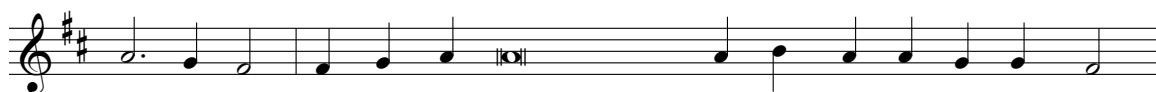
**Troparion of the prefeast - Tone 4**



O peo-ples, clap your hands in an-ti - ci - pa - tion and dance with faith and joy.



Gath-er to-geth-er today in eagerness and ju - bi - la - tion, and let us all ex-ult with



god - ly glee, for the The - otokos, whom we al - ways glo - ri - fy in hymns,



is a - bout to be tak - en up in glo - ry from earth to heav - en.