

**Vespers Propers on the Evening of the  
Third Sunday of the Great Fast  
March 4, 2018**

**The holy martyr Conon**, who was a gardener during the reign of the emperor Decian. He was ordered to run in front of a chariot after having his feet pierced with nails. He sank down to his knees and surrendered his spirit in prayer. (251)

*Supplement for The Order of Vespers on Sunday Afternoons in the Great Fast.*

*Psalms 140 and Stichera of Forgiveness in the tone of the week (Tone 6, p. 44)  
Stichera of the second Sunday of the Great Fast, p. 69*

**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 of the holy martyr Conon - Tone 8 samohlasen**

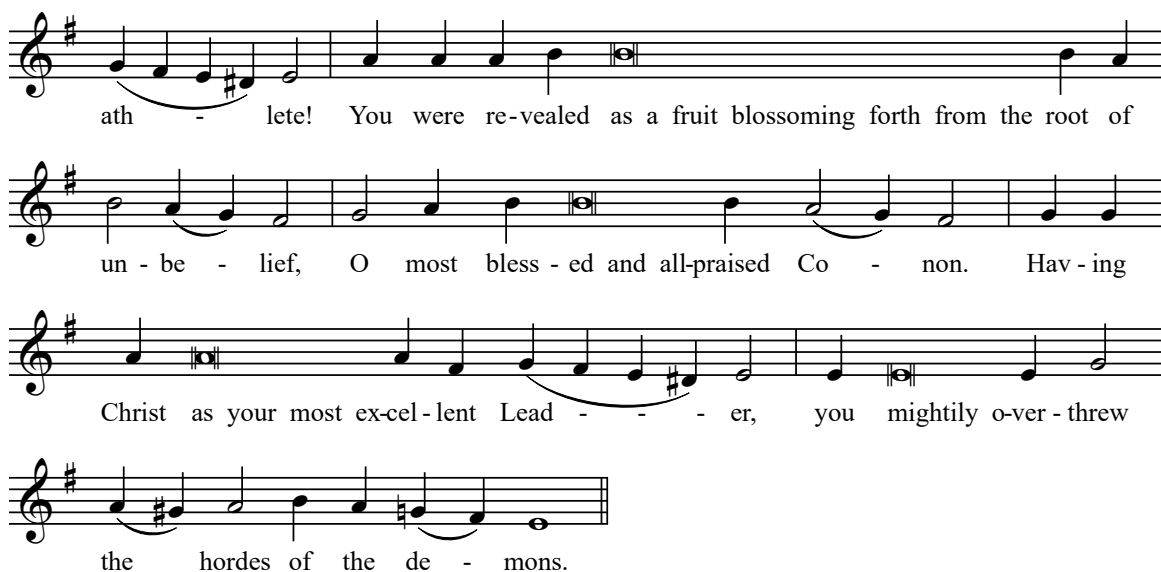
O di-vine, un-wan - ing ray, lu-min-ous ra - diance of the com-mand-ments of God,  
ev - er-mem-'ra - ble ath - lete, most ex - cel - lent of mar - - - - tyrs!  
You dis-pelled the gloom of dark - ness like a bril-liant star, O bless-ed one!  
O good of-fring, and un-blem-ished sac - ri - fice! There-fore, un - ceas - ing - ly  
en - treat Christ, that he may save our souls.

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

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You pro - claim the truth! Show-ing your-self to be a sword-wielding oppon-ent  
of un-god-li - ness, you brought down the en - e - my by the suf-fer-ing  
your head en - dured, O all-wise mar - tyr, and you clear-ly proclaimed the  
com-mand of God, say - ing good things to the un - learn - ed peo - ple.  
O Co - non, dweller with the mar - tyr: en - treat the Redeemer that he deliver  
from pas - sions your ser - vants who praise you.

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

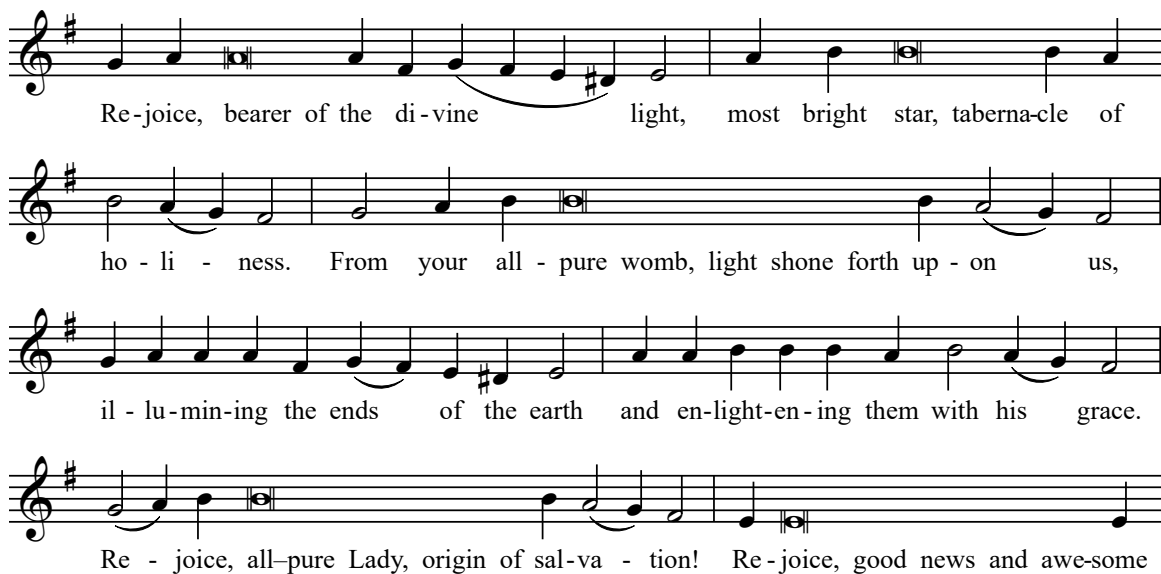
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O won-drous trans-for-ma - - - tion which the Lord of our fathers made  
up - on you by the right hand of the Most High, O most glo-rious



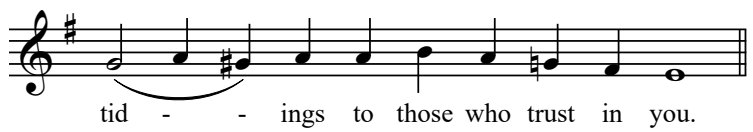
ath - let! You were re-vealed as a fruit blossoming forth from the root of  
 un - be - lief, O most bless - ed and all-praised Co - non. Hav - ing  
 Christ as your most ex-cel - lent Lead - - - er, you mightily o-ver - threw  
 the hordes of the de - mons.

**Cantor:** (Tone 8) Glory...now and ever...

**Theotokion - Tone 8 samohlasen**



Re-joyce, bearer of the di-vine light, most bright star, taberna-cle of  
 ho - li - ness. From your all - pure womb, light shone forth up - on us,  
 il - lu-min-ing the ends of the earth and en-light-en-ing them with his grace.  
 Re - joyce, all-pure Lady, origin of sal-va - tion! Re-joyce, good news and awe-some



tid - - ings to those who trust in you.

The image shows a single line of musical notation on a five-line staff. The key signature has one sharp (F#). The melody consists of the following notes: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), C#5 (quarter), B4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), G4 (quarter), F#4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), and D4 (half). A slur is placed under the first three notes (G, A, B). The lyrics "tid - - ings to those who trust in you." are written below the staff, with hyphens under the first three notes.

*The service continues on page 9.*

*Prokeimenon for the third Sunday of the Great Fast, p.10*

*Aposticha of the third Sunday of the Great Fast, p. 71*