

Vigil Divine Liturgy, July 20*

THE HOLY AND GLORIOUS PROPHET ELIJAH the Tishbite, who was a prophet of the Lord in the days of Ahab, the king of Israel and defended the rights of the one God against the unfaithful people with such a strength of spirit that he prefigured not only John the Baptist but even Christ himself. Written prophecies do not remain, but his memory is faithfully kept, especially on Mount Carmel.

Supplement for The Divine Liturgies of our holy fathers John Chrysostom and Basil the Great, 2006

The Vigil Divine Liturgy begins on page 104 in the Divine Liturgies book. The beginning verses of the Lamp-lighting Psalms ("O Lord, I have cried") are sung in Tone 1 (page 123). At the Psalm verse "on 3" toward the bottom of page 116, continue as follows:

Tone 1 samohlasen

Cantor (on 3)

Be - cause with the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemp-tion,
Is - ra - el indeed he will re - deem from all its in - i - qui - ty.

Stichera of the holy prophet Elijah - *Tone 1 samohlasen*

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O all-com-pas-sion-ate Word, you car - ried Elijah the Tishbite away from the earth
in a char-iot of fire. Through his in - ter - ces - sion, save us who faith - ful - ly
glo - ri - fy you and who joy - ous - ly com - mem - o - rate his feast.

* to be sung on the evening of July 19

Cantor (on 2)

Praise the Lord, all you na-tions, ac-claim him all you peo - ples!

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O bless-ed E - li - jah, you en-count - ered God not in an earth - quake

but in the cool-ness of a gen-tle breeze. O God - inspired one, you went up to heaven

in a won - drous way, on a char - iot drawn by four hor - ses.

Thus you be - came a mar - vel to all of us.

Cantor (on 1)

Strong is the love of the Lord for us; he is faith - ful for - ev - er.

①

O all-wise E - li - jah, in your burn-ing zeal for God, you slew

the shame-ful priests with a sword. With the word of your mouth you dried up the

clouds so that it would not rain. You per - fect - ed Elisha by the gift of your

man - tle, fill - ing him with heav - en - ly gra - ces.

Tone 6 samohlasen

Cantor

Glo - ry to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spir-it,

now and ev - er and for - ev - er. A - men.

Doxastikon of the holy prophet Elijah - *Tone 6 samohlasen*

Come, let us assemble, all you people of God, in this ho - ly place where we are to

honor the two God-in-spired proph - ets. Let us sing a spe - cial hymn of

praise to the glo - ry of Christ God who chose them. Let us cry out in joy,

say - ing: Re - joice, Elijah the Great, earthly an - gel and heav'n - ly man.

Re - joice, O precious Elisha whom God has filled with the graces of heav - en.

Re - joice, O mediators and fervent in - ter - cess - ors, heal - ers of the souls and bodies
of the faith - ful who love Christ. De - liv - er from the attacks of the enemy
and from ev - ry dan - ger all those who cel - e - brate your mem - 'ry with
hon - - - or.

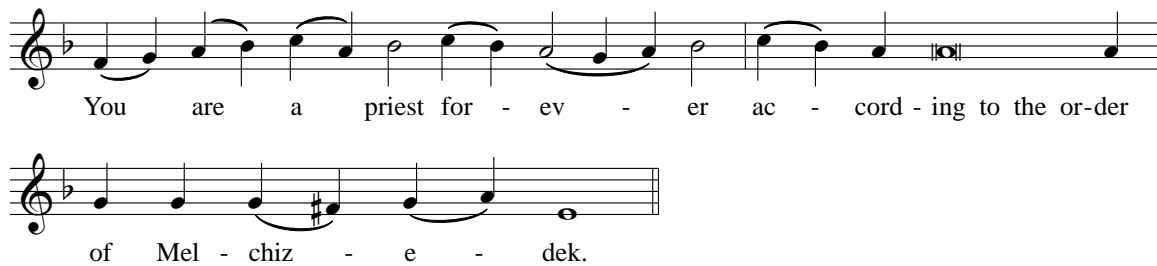
As the doxastikon is sung, the clergy enter the Holy Place with the gospel book and censer.

The service continues on page 117 with the singing of the Hymn of the Evening, "O Joyful Light". The prokeimenon of the day of the week is sung (pages 120-121), and the following readings may be chanted:

- Readings:** 1 Kings 17: 1-23
1 Kings 18: 1, 17, 41, 44, 42, 45-46; 19: 1-16
1 Kings 19:1 9-21 and 2 Kings 2: 1, and 6-14 (EOT 321-322)

*After the Small Litany (page 122), the Divine Liturgy continues with the Thrice-Holy Hymn ("Holy God") on page 27 of the **Divine Liturgies** book.*

Prokeimenon of the holy prophet Elijah - Tone 4 (Psalm 109:4,1):



You are a priest for - ev - er ac - cord - ing to the or - der
of Mel - chiz - e - dek.

Verse: The Lord said to my Lord: Sit at my right hand till I make your enemies your footstool.

Alleluia of the holy prophet Elijah - Tone 4 (Psalm 98:6):



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - - - ia!

Verse: Moses and Aaron were among his priests;
Samuel was among those who called upon his name.

Verse: They called upon the Lord and he answered them.

Communion Hymn (Psalm 111:6,7):

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The just man will be re - mem - bered for - e - ver;
e - vil news he will not fear, e - vil news he will not fear, he will not fear.

Refrain
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - - - le - lu - ia!

The following hymn may be sung at the end of the Divine Liturgy if desired, either after the Ambon Prayer (if bread is blessed) or after the dismissal.

Troparion of the holy prophet Elijah - Tone 4:

An an - gel in the flesh, the foundation of the proph - ets, and the sec - ond
fore-run - ner of Christ, the glo - rious Elijah from on high sent grace to
E - li - sha to cure sick-ness - es and cleanse lep - ers. He like-wise
o - verflows with healing for those who hon - or him.