

**Vesper Propers on the Evening of the Third
Sunday of the Great Fast
March 3, 2013**

Our venerable father Gerasimus of the Jordan, anchorite. At the time of the emperor Zeno, he was brought back to the orthodox faith by St. Euthymius. He engaged in great works of penance, offering to all who practiced the monastic life under him a way of living the most irreproachable discipline. (475)

Supplement for The Order of Vespers on Sunday Afternoons in the Great Fast, 2007.

*Psalm 140 and Stichera of Forgiveness in the tone of the week (Tone 7, p. 48)
Stichera of the third 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 our venerable father Gerasimus - Tone 8 samohlasen

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O di - vine - ly wise fa - ther Ge - ra - si - mus, u - nit - ing your - self to God
through prayer, su - pli - ca - tion and great ab - sti - nence, you re - mained
impervious to the de - signs of the foe, and showed yourself a servant of the
Al - migh - ty. And so we hon - or you, and faithfully celebrating your me - mo - ry
with great joy, we praise you.

Cantor: Praise the Lord, all you nations, Psalm 116
(on 2)

O ven - erable fa - ther Ge - ra - si - mus, filled with faith, you sought
God as you dwelt in the mountains, caves, and de - serts. You found him
whom your un - swerv - ing soul de - sired, strength - ened by your dai - ly won - drous
prog - ress. You led to Christ a whole troop of monks who found sal - va - tion.

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

Sub - mit - ting to the com - mand - ment of God who sees all things,
you re - ceived from him the grace to work mi - ra - cles and to drive a - way
e - vil spi - rits, and to tame wild beasts by the pu - ri - ty of your mind.
There - fore, we ho - nor you, and as is fit - ting, we ce - le - brate with faith

your ho - ly me - mo - ry, O di - vine - ly bles - sed one.

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

Theotokion - Tone 8 samohlasen

Trou - bled and in grief, we be - seech you, All-pure One, our in - ter -
ces - sor: Let not your ser - vants per - ish ut - ter - ly, but make haste
to rescue us from this pre - sent wrath and grief, O di - vine - ly joyous, all-ho - ly and
pure one. For you are our for - tress and hope un - as - sailed.

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

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