

Vesper Propers, June 30, 2013
Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

The Synaxis of the Twelve Apostles. Although each of the Twelve Apostles has his own feast day during the year, the Church has set aside this day for a general feast of all of them together.

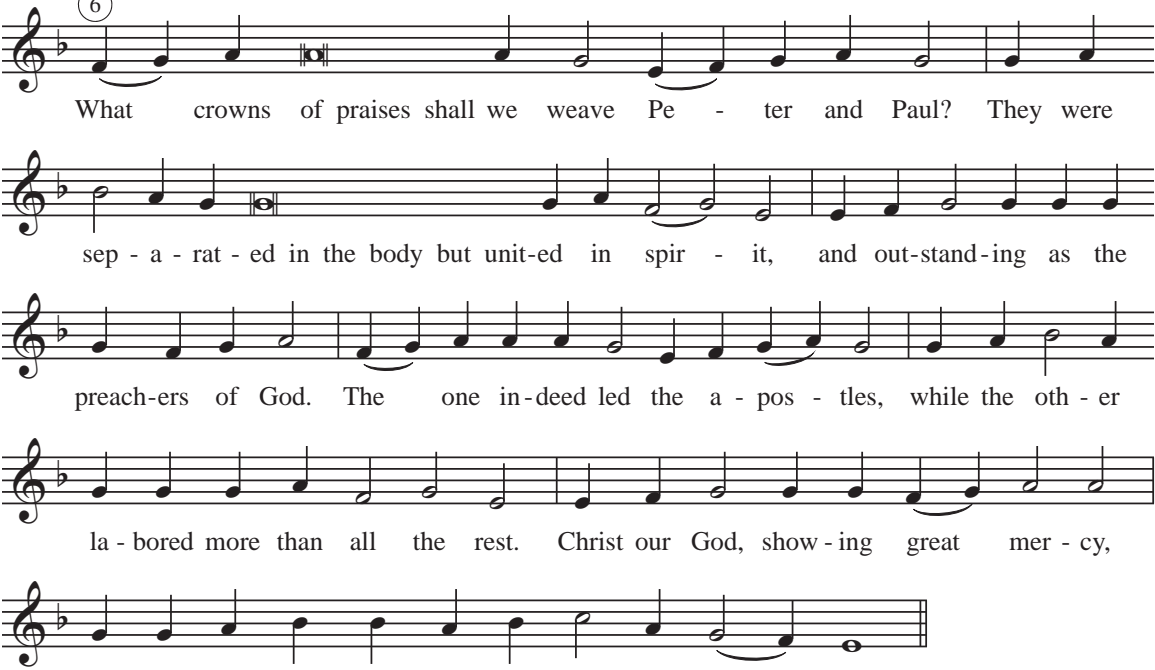
Supplement for The Order of Vespers for Sundays after Pentecost, 2006

Lamplighting Psalms in the Tone of the Week (Tone 5, p. 69), stichera 10-7.

Cantor: (Tone 2) 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 holy apostles Peter and Paul - Tone 2 samohlasen

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What crowns of praises shall we weave Pe - ter and Paul? They were
sep - a - rat - ed in the body but unit-ed in spir - it, and out-stand-ing as the
preach-ers of God. The one in-deed led the a - pos - tles, while the oth - er
la - bored more than all the rest. Christ our God, show - ing great mer - cy,
fit - ting - ly crowns them with im - mor - tal glo - ry.

Cantor: My soul is longing 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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With what beau - tiful hymns shall we praise Pe - ter and Paul? They are wings

of div - ine knowl - edge, spread-ing out to the far ends of the earth
 and soar-ing a - loft to heav - en. They are two heads of the
 Gos - pel of grace, two feet of the preach-ing of the truth, two
 riv - ers of wisdom and two arms of the Cross, through which
 the mer - ci - ful Christ casts down the pride of de - mons.

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

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 With what spir - itual songs shall we praise Pe - ter and Paul? They slew
 the god-less tongues of i - dol - a - ters. They are fear - ful swords of the Spirit and
 notable a-dorn - ments of Rome, both nour-ish - ers of the whole world
 and the God-in-spired tablets of the New Cov - e - nant. Christ, in his great mer-cy,

Troparia

Troparion of the Resurrection, in the Tone of the Week (Tone 5, p. 80).

Cantor: (Tone 8) Glory...

Troparion of the Twelve Apostles - Tone 8

Your preach-ing has spread o - ver the whole earth, be - cause you have
 re - ceived the Spir - it in flam - ing tongues. You burned down the lies
 of i - dol - a - try, and you have caught the stray - ing peo - ple with the
 net of faith. The heav - ens de - clare your glo - ry for this,
 and the fir - ma - ment pro - claims your works. We join them in a song to your
 mem - o - ry: Through the pray'rs of your twelve a - pos - tles, save us, O God.

Cantor: Now and ever...

Festal theotokion in the same tone (Tone 8, p. 111).

Aposticha

Aposticha in the Tone of the Week (Tone 5, p. 77), concluding with

Cantor: (Tone 6) Glory...

Aposticha doxastikon of the Council Fathers - Tone 6 samohlasen

To - day a delightful feast has shone forth to the ends of the earth,
the all-solemn memorial of the most wise and first a-pos - tles, Pe - ter and Paul.
Let Rome, therefore, receive the glad tid - ings, re - joic - ing; and let us
feast on this solemn day, cry-ing out to them: Re - joice, O Peter, apostle and special
friend of the Teach-er, Christ our God. Re-joice, O tru - ly be-lov - ed Paul,
the preach-er of the faith and teacher of the u - ni-verse. Be-cause of your privi-lege,
O ho - ly ones, be-seech Christ our God to save our souls.

Cantor: Now and ever...

Aposticha theotokion in the same tone (Tone 6, p. 90).

has pro-claimed their hon - or in Zi - on.

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 the Synaxis of the Twelve Apostles - Tone 4 samohlasen

O most honorable dis-ci - ples, you are sanctified as ones who are witnesses to the
in-car-nate Word. You manifested yourselves to the world as flash-es of light - ning.
You ov - er - flow with delight like the si - lent hills. You sep - a - rat - ed yourselves
like the wa-ters of par - a - dise. You nourish the church of the Gen - tiles
with di - vine wa - ters.

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

Like glisten-ing beams of light, you were sent as rays of the spirit into the whole world.

You abundantly grant-ed mi-ra-cles and were min-isters of the mys-te-ries of Christ.
 You were the tab-lets of the Sac-red Scrip-tures. You were the inscriptions
 of God's grace. and of the law taught by God, O precious ministers of the
 priest-ly my-ste-ries.

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

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 You are the spears of fish-er-men and the elo-quence of phi-lo-so-phers.
 You are the lofty words of de-ba-ters. You are the teach-ings of those who are wise
 in God, the mod-els for all doc-trine, and you clearly explained the mysteries
 of the Gos-pel. You are the par-tak-ers of the everlast-ing nour-ish-ment and the

de-light of the an-gels. You live for-e-ver in glo-ry.

Cantor: *(Tone 6)* Glory...

Doxastikon of the holy apostles Peter and Paul - Tone 6

The most hon-orable feast has ar-rived, the feast of the Church of Christ,
 the feast of the interces-sors of our sal-va-tion. There-fore, let us mystic'ly rejoice
 and say to them: Re-joice, for you have become the light of those in dark-ness,
 shin-ing splen-dors of the Spir-it-u-al Sun. Re-joice, O Peter and Paul, unshakable
 foundations of di-vine teach-ings, friends of Christ and cho-sen ves-sels. Be pres-ent
 a-mong us in an in-vis-i-ble man-ner and grant spir-it-u-al gifts
 to those who praise your feast with hymns.

Cantor: *(Tone 5)* Now and ever...

Dogmatikon in the Tone of the Week (Tone 5, p. 76)