

**Vesper Propers, December 3, 2017**  
**Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost**

The holy prophet Zephaniah, who in the days of Josiah, king of Judah, announced the destruction of the ungodly on the day of the wrath of the Lord and strengthened the host of poor and needy people in the hope of salvation.

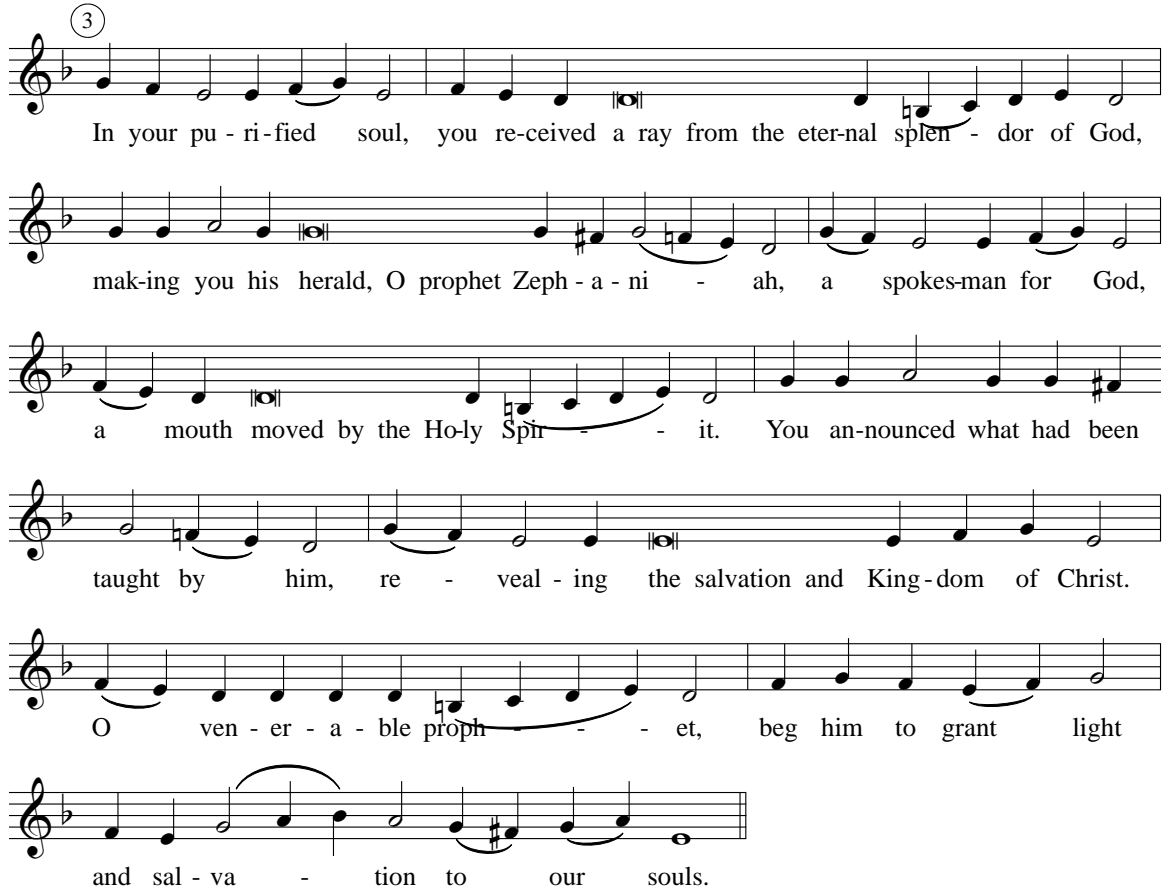
*Supplement for The Order of Vespers for Sundays After Pentecost, 2006*

*Lamplighting Psalms in the Tone of the Week (Tone 1, p. 24), stichera 10-4. Then:*

**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 holy prophet Zephaniah - Tone 4 podoben: Zvannyj svyše byv**


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In your pu - ri - fied soul, you re - ceived a ray from the eter - nal splen - dor of God,  
mak - ing you his herald, O prophet Zeph - a - ni - ah, a spokes - man for God,  
a mouth moved by the Ho - ly Spir - it. You an - nounced what had been  
taught by him, re - veal - ing the salvation and King - dom of Christ.  
O ven - er - a - ble proph - et, beg him to grant light  
and sal - va - tion to our souls.

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

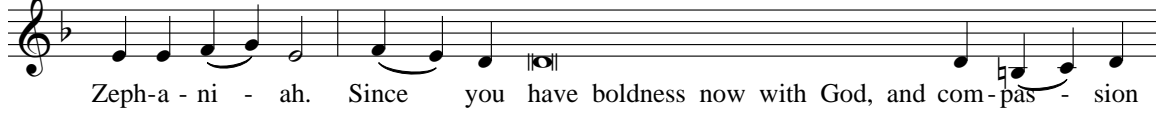
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Il - lu - mined by the vi - sion of God and pro - phet - ic con - tem - pla - tion,




you were graced with bless - ed - ness and in - spired by the Lord, O prophet



Zep - a - ni - ah. Since you have boldness now with God, and com - pas - sion



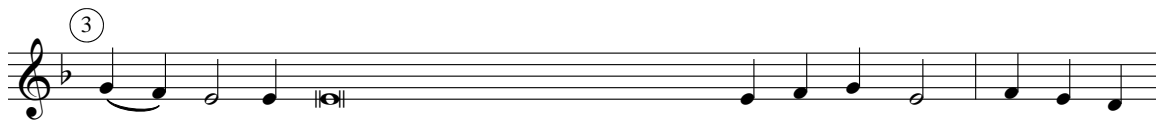
on us, pray for those who hon - or you with faith as a ho - ly proph - et of God,




Ask that we be delivered from all dan - gers and that we may be saved.

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


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Im - mor - tal One, you made your prophet Zepha - ni - ah a cloud, pour - ing out



the wa - ter of e - ter - nal life. You filled him with the Spir - - - it



e - qual to you, al - might - y Fa - ther and to your on - ly be - got - ten Son,

a light re-flect-ing your bril - liance. Thus he foretold the saving coming of  
 Christ our God and re-vealed sal - va - tion to all of us.

**Cantor:** (Tone 1) Glory...now and ever...

*Dogmatikon in the Tone of the Week (Tone 1, p. 30)*

*Aposticha in the Tone of the Week (Tone 1, p. 31).*

*Troparion and theotokion in the Tone of the Week (Tone 1, p. 34).*

**Cantor:** Glory...now and ever...