

**Vespers Propers on the Evening of
Cheesefare Sunday (Sunday of Forgiveness)
February 14, 2021**

The holy apostle Onesimus, a fugitive slave whom St. Paul the apostle caught and gave birth to in Christ, a son in the faith, as Paul himself wrote to his master Philemon.

Supplement for The Order of Vespers on Sunday Evening for the Sunday of Forgiveness (Cheesefare Sunday) and the Sundays of the Great Fast.



Psalm 140 and Stichera of Forgiveness in the tone of the week (Tone 4, p. 35)

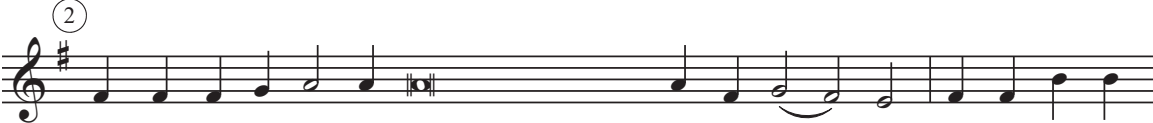
Stichera of Cheesefare Sunday (Sunday of Forgiveness), p. 57. Then:


Tone 4 samohlasen


Cantor:

Stichera of the holy apostle Onesimus - Tone 1 samohlasen

Cantor: 
 Praise the Lord, all you na-tions, ac-claim him all you

 peo - - - ples!

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 Na-tural-ly es-cap-ing the slavery of decep-tion. O wise one, you be-came a



 child of God by grace, the Ho - ly Spi - rit and faith in Christ.

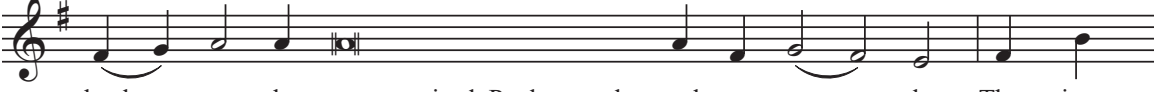



 join - ing the ho - ly and all-praiseworth-y dis - cip - les of Paul, O most


 pro - fit - a - ble O - ne - - - si - mus.

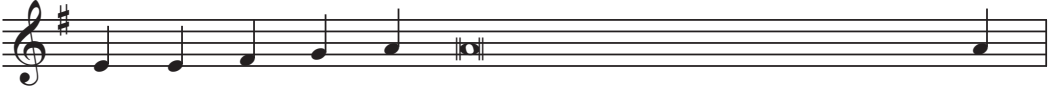

Cantor: 
 Strong is the love of the Lord for us; he is faith - ful

 for - ev - - - er.

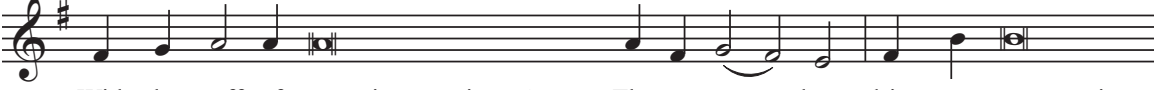


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 O thrice-bles - sed O - ne - si - mus, you be-came a dis - ci - ple of the Word,


 thanks to the most praised Paul, preacher and a - pos - tle. Three times

 you received a two - fold crown from Christ. You were a-dorned as a priest,

 a preacher, and an ath - lete, O praised a pos - - - tle.

The faithful STAND.

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.

Theotokion - in the same tone


 With the staff of your intercession, O pure The-o - to - kos, drive sav - age passions

 from my wretch - ed soul, guide me peace - ful - ly toward life and add me

 to the flock of your chos - en sheep.

The service continues with the Hymn of the Evening, "O joyful light," on page 9.

Prokeimenon for Cheesefare Sunday, page 10.

Aposticha of Cheesefare Sunday, page 60.