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

Lamplighting Psalms in the tone of the week, stichera 10-5.

**Cantor:** (Tone 6) Let the watchman count on daybreak
(on 4) and Israel on the Lord.

Stichera of our venerable mother Mary of Egypt - Tone 6 podoben: Vsju otloživše

1. [Music notation]
2. **Alienated at first from the divine contemplation because**
3. of the weight of the passions, you turned then your thoughts and deeds to the
4. higher goods; meditating on the icon of the most pure Virgin
5. and henceforth turning yourself away from all sin, in faith you venerate
6. the precious Cross.

**Cantor:** Because with the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption,
(on 3) Israel indeed he will redeem from all its iniquity. Repeat "Alienated at first..."
You then visited the holy places with joy, having built up a reserve of virtue on the way of salvation; you made haste on the road to holiness. You crossed the streams of the Jordan, and you dwelt in the desert of the Baptist; controlling the power of the passions of the flesh, you made the savage powers of the passions disappear by your holy life, O venerable Mother.

Dwelling in the desert, you put the images of the passions far from your soul, and with the light of the virtues, you inscribed the image of God.

Cantor: Strong is the love of the Lord for us; he is faithful forever.

Cantor: Praise the Lord, all you nations, acclaim him all you peoples!
You were resplendent with such a brightness that you walked upon the surface of the waters; and on earth you were caught up in prayer to God.

Because you have great sway with Christ, pray to him for the salvation of our souls, O venerable Mother.

Cantor: (Tone 2) Glory...

Doxastikon - Tone 2 samohlasen

The power of the Cross has worked wonders, O Lord; she who formerly was a harlot has given herself completely to the struggle of an ascetical life. Despite her weakness, she has courageously contended with the devil; and having received the prize for her victory,
she now intercedes with you for our souls.

Cantor:  
(Tone of the week) Now and ever...

Dogmatikon in the tone of the week

Aposticha

Aposticha in the tone of the week, concluding with:

Cantor:  
(Tone 2) Glory...

Aposticha doxastikon - Tone 2

With the sword of temperance you have cut down the passions of the soul and flesh; you choked evil thoughts with the silence of an ascetical life.

Wat’ring the desert with the streams of your tears, you bore the fruits of repentance. We now celebrate the memory of your holiness, O venerable Mother.
In you, O mother, the divine image was strictly preserved; taking up your cross, you followed Christ. You taught us by example how to spurn the flesh, for it passes away, and how to care for the soul, which is immortal. Therefore, O venerable Mary, your soul rejoices with the angels.

Cantor: Now and ever...

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