

Sunday, January 22-28: New Martyrs of Russia
Stichera at the Praises, Tone 6,
Special Melody, "Having set all your hope..." (Optina Hermitage Melody)

*Reader: In the 6th Tone, Special Melody, "Having set all aside..." ,
Praise Him with timbrel and dance,*

I - descant
II - chant melody

Praise — Him with strings — and flute.

- a - * - b -

Our sa - cred and great Council of all Rus - - - - sia heard the

- c -

dread - ful re - port of the per - se - cu - tions raised against the

- d -

Church — of God, and its members all joined in one

*melodic pattern: a b [: c d e :] f

conciliar thought

con-cil - i - ar thought and appointed prayers for the persecu-ted

and the slain, con-fes - sors and mar - - - tyrs, on the day

of the suffering and death of the holy hierarch Vla-di - - - mir.

He who today doth reason with the Church doth know: the days
of the repose...

The first who were slain for the Faith and the Church were the first

com-mem-or - a - ted by name by the most ho - ly Pa - - - tri-arch.

O holy hierarch Vla-di-mir, lamb— of the Caves,— and ye senior priests:

John, Peter, Jo - seph and Paul, ye ven - erable martyrs Gervasius and

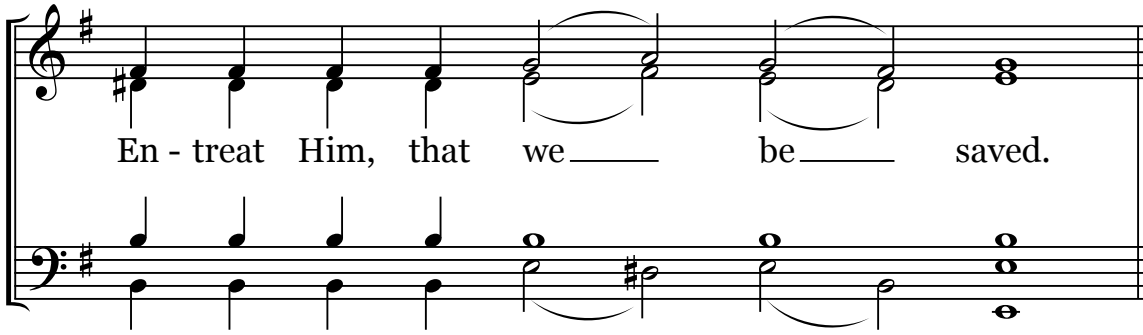
Gerasimus

Ger-a - si-mus, and ye hieromartyrs Paul, Pe-ter and The - o-dore,—

Michael, Vladimir and Con - stan-tine, dea-con John, novice Anthony and

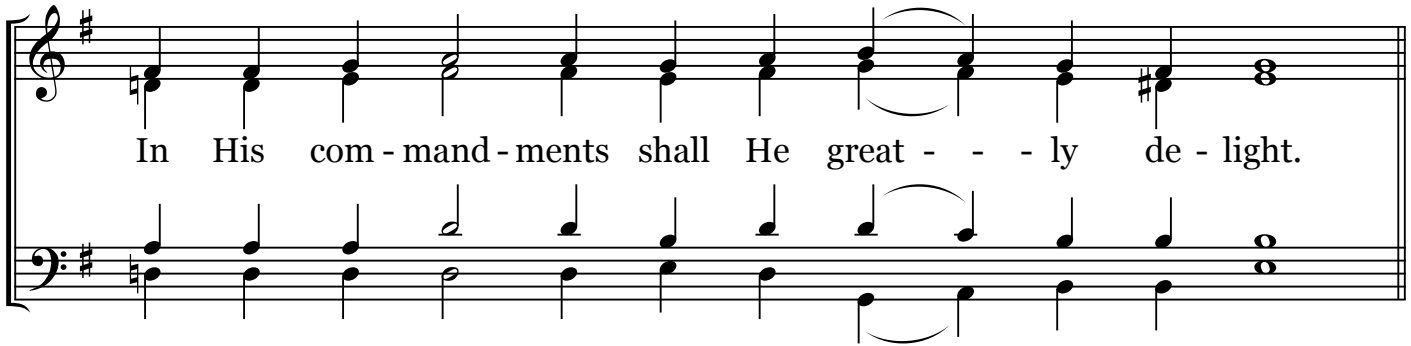
cus-to - di-an John, with the vast multitude of clergy, monks and

la - - - i - ty,— whose names are all known un - - - to the Lord:



En - treat Him, that we be saved.

Stichos: Blessed the the man that feareth the Lord;



In His com - mand - ments shall He great - - - ly de - light.



O ye that with the holy Tsar were oppressed - ev - ery day, O holy and



passion-bearing Tsaritsa and royal vir - - - - gins, ho - ly royal son,

and faithful fellow sufferers who served you: un-just-ly were ye all

slain at night; and utterly consumed as victims for justice,

ye are become mediators for us, like incense well-pleasing unto God.

Ye also who on the next day were buried alive amid dreadful

torments

tor - - - ments with the holy princess and her com-pan - - - ion.

And now, O Tsar Nich - - - o - las, lead - ing all that suf - fered

with thee, O holy lamenter of our gener - a - - - - tion,

like a new Job, entreat the Lord to for-give all.

Stichos: In the 8th Tone: Thy priests shall be clothed with righteousness,I-descant
II-chant
melody

And Thy right - eous shall re - joice.

Con-demned by the god - less, the priests of God whom the ho - ly

pa - tri - arch had blessed to un - der - go tor - ments and death for Christ

refused to ask for mer - cy. And when on the morrow they were led

to ex - e - cu - tion, the guardsmen were at a loss how to drive back

the faithful...

the faithful who came forth to meet them. For the people kissed

the doomed ones condemned to death and their sacred hands and the hem

of their garments, and some chanted triumphantly:

Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death! O Lord,

through the supplications of these hieromartyrs, have mercy upon us.