After the Introductory Psalm (103), the Great Litany and the 1st Kathisma. At "Lord I have cried...", 10 stichera: 4 of the Resurrection (from the Octoechos); 3 of the Midfeast, in the same tone—

(6) Reader: In the same tone: If Thou shouldest mark iniquities, O Lord, O Lord, who shall stand?

For with Thee there is forgiveness.

The middle of the days is come, which beginneth with the Savior's arising and whose end is sealed by the divine Pentecost,
which is illumined by the radiance of both and unieth both;

and showing forth the glory which is to come,

it honoreth beforehand the Master's ascension.
(5) **Reader:** For Thy name's sake have I patiently waited for Thee, O Lord; my soul hath waited patiently for Thy word,

My soul hath hoped in the Lord.

Simon heard and was glad when the resurrection of Christ was announced, and it's faithful children rejoiced,

seeing Him Who by the Spirit washeth away
the de-file-ment wrought by the murder of Christ; and it
maketh ready, celebrating the gladsome mid-point be-tween the two feasts.
"Lord I have cried" *(continued)*

(4) *Reader*: From the morning watch until night, from the morning watch

Let Israel hope in the Lord.

As hath been written, the abundant outpouring of the divine Spirit

up on all draw eth nigh. This proclaim eth beforehand the day

fixed as the midpoint after the death, burial and resurrection of Christ,
which was given by Him to the disciples as a true promise pointing to the appearance of the Comforter.