Sunday of the Last Judgement, at Vespers
Stichera at "Lord I have cried" (when combined with Menaion)
Tone 6, Special Melody "Having set all your hope*"
Optina Hermitage Chant

(7) Reader: In the 6th Tone, Special Melody "Having set all your hope"
Let Thine ears be attentive

I-descant
II-chant melody

To the voice of my supplication.

When Thou shalt come, O righteous Judge, to execute just judgment
Seat ed on Thy throne of glory,

a river of fire will draw all men amazed before Thy

* in some translations: "Having laid aside"
judge ment seat; the pow-ers of heaven will stand be-side Thee,

and in fear mankind will be judged according to the deeds that each has done. Then spare us, Christ, in Thy com-passion,

with faith we en-treat Thee, and count us wor-thy

of Thy blessings with those that are saved.
(6) Reader: If Thou shouldest mark iniquities, O Lord, O Lord, who shall stand?

For with Thee there is forgiveness.

The books will be opened and the acts of men will be revealed before the unbearable judgement seat;

and the whole vale of sorrow shall echo...
with the fearful sound of lamentation, as all the sinners,

weeping in vain, are sent by Thy just judgment to everlasting torment. Therefore we beseech Thee,

O compassionate and loving Lord: spare us who

singing Thy praise, for Thou alone art rich in mercy.
Stichera of "Lord I have cried"

(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.

The trumpets shall sound and the tombs shall be emptied,

and all mankind in trembling shall be raised. Those that have done good shall rejoice in gladness, awaiting their reward;

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those that have sinned shall tremble and bitterly lament,
as they are sent to punishment and parted from the chosen. O Lord, of glory, take pity on us in Thy goodness, and count us worthy of a place with them that have loved Thee.
(4) Reader: From the morning watch until night, from the morning watch

Let Israel hope in the Lord.

I lament and weep when I think of the eternal fire, the outer darkness and the nether world, the dread worm and the gnashing of teeth, and the unceasing anguish.
Stichera of "Lord I have cried"

an - guish that shall be - fall those

who have sinned without meas - - sure, by their wick - ed - ness

arousing Thee to an - - ger, O Su - preme in love.

Among them in my misery I am first; but, O Judge

compassionate, in Thy mercy save me.