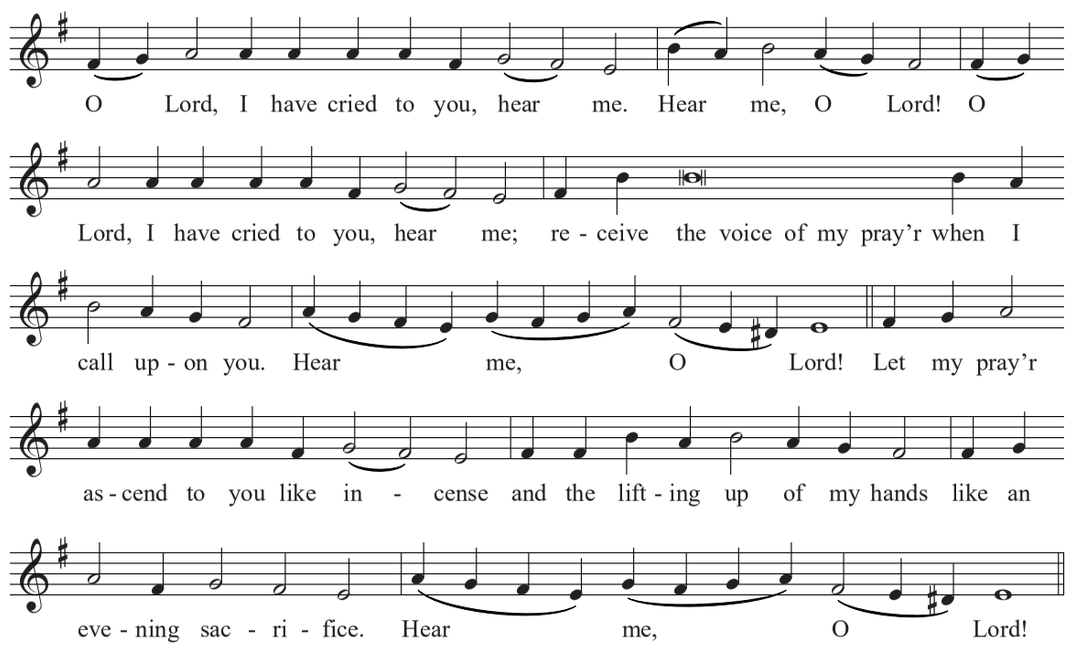
Propers for the Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts
Thursday in the Third Week of the Great Fast
March 9, 2023

The forty holy martyrs of Sebaste in Armenia. They were comrades, not in blood, but in faith and obedience to the will of their heavenly Father. At the time of the emperor Licinius, after binding and savage tortures, they were ordered to pass the night naked at the coldest time of winter in a swamp in the open air. They consummated their martyrdom by the breaking of their legs at crucifixion. (320)
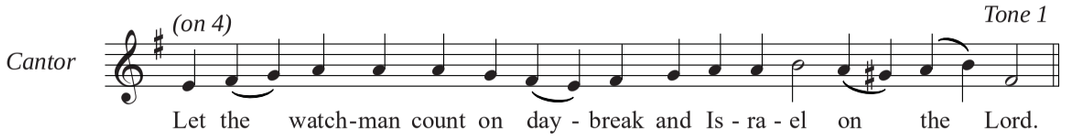
Supplement for **The Divine Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts** *(2009). Page numbers refer to the people's book with complete music.*

Antiphonal psalms for Thursday, p. 15. Then the beginning of Psalm 140 is sung in Tone 1:

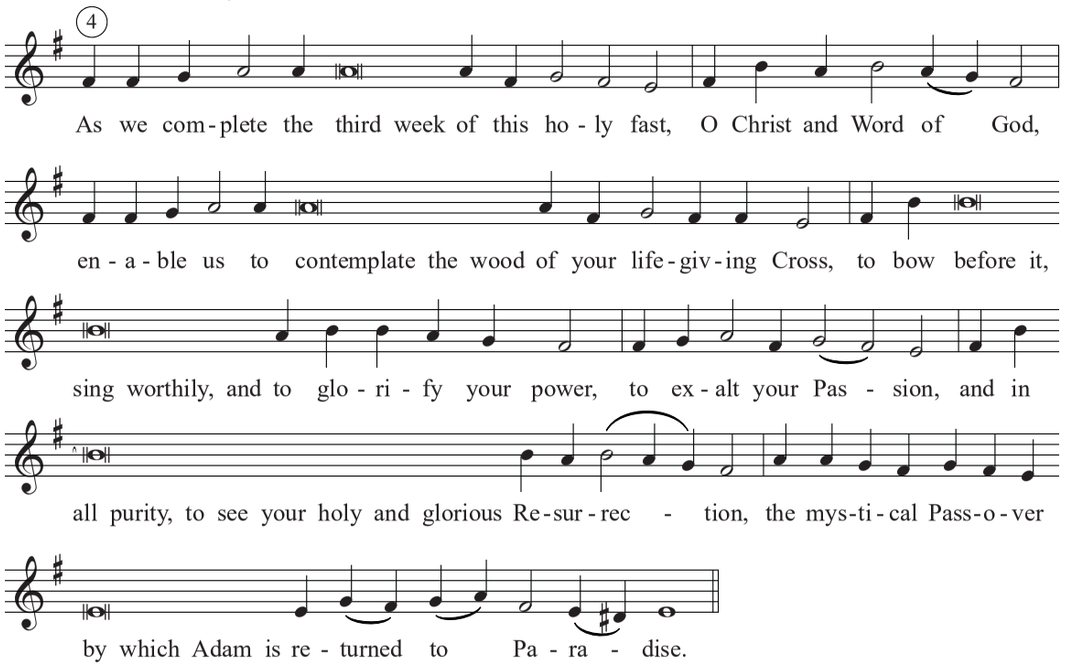
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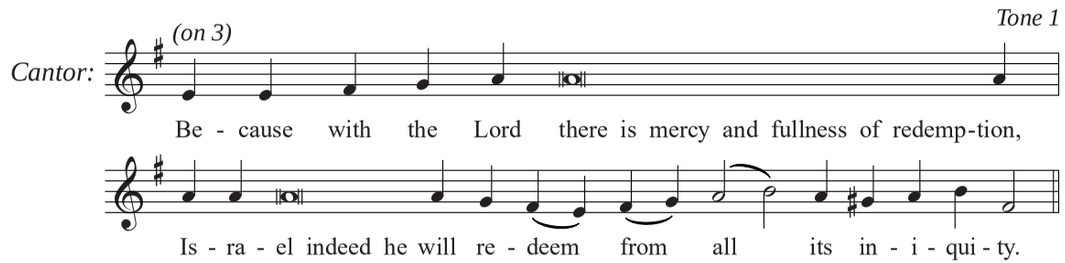


Followed by the recited verses of the Lamp-lighting Psalms, pp. 19-21.

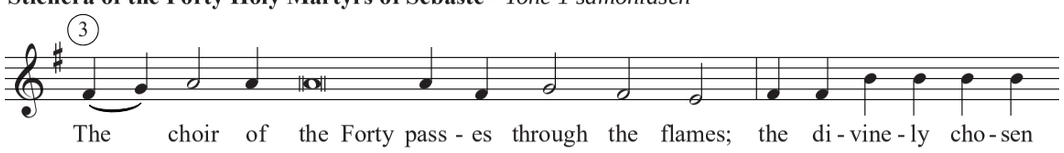


Sticheron of Thursday in the Third Week of the Great Fast - *Tone 1 samohlasen*





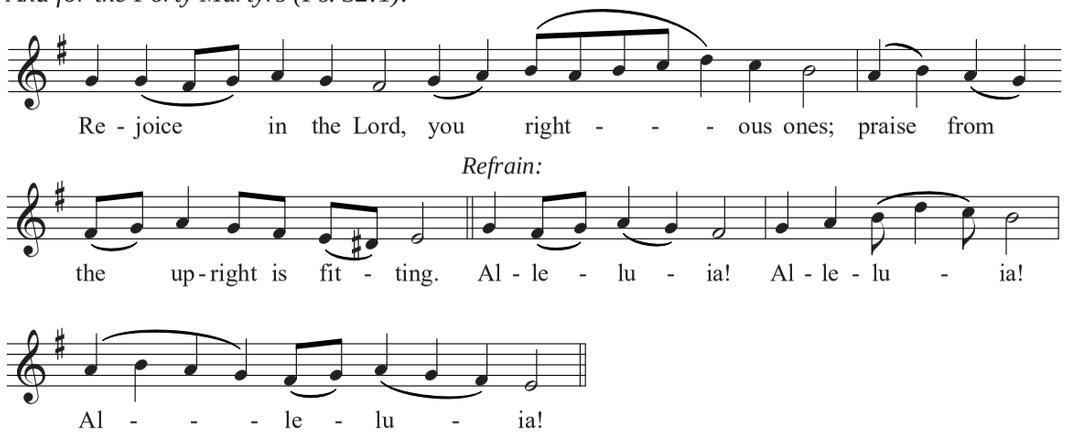
Stichera of the Forty Holy Martyrs of Sebaste - *Tone 1 samohlasen*



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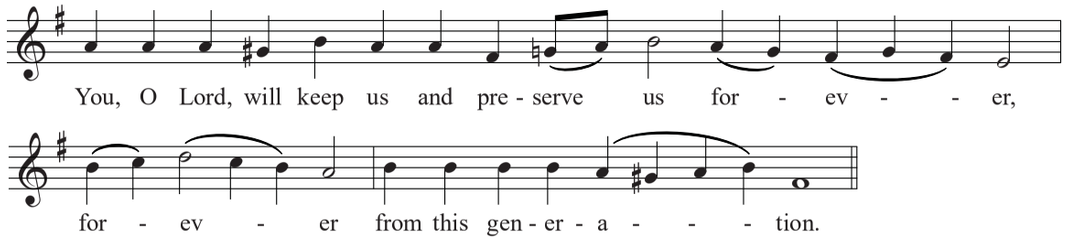
For the Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts (Ps. 33:9; music on p. 43):
Taste and see that the Lord is good. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

And for the Forty Martyrs (Ps. 32:1):



After the Prayer of Saint Ephrem the Syrian, there are readings in honor of the Forty Martyrs.
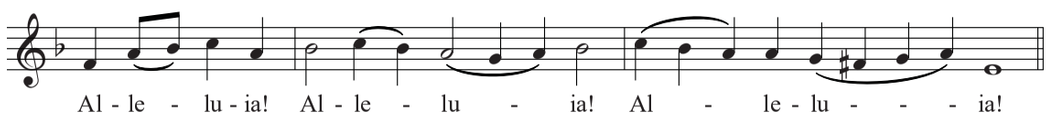
Prokeimenon for the Forty Holy Martyrs - *Tone 5* (Psalm 11:8,2)



Verse: Save me, O Lord, for the righteous have vanished.
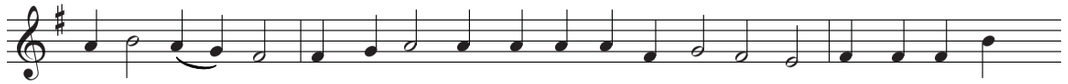
Epistle: Hebrews 12:1-10 *(Epistle book, p. 233)*
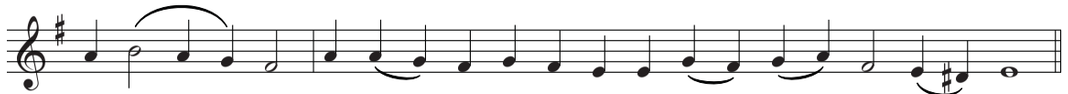
Alleluia - *Tone 4* (Psalm 64:1-2,10)
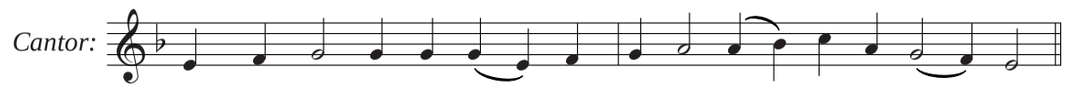


Verse: Shout joyfully to the Lord, all the earth; sing praise to his name, give to him glorious praise.
Verse: For you, O God, have tested us, you have tried us as silver is tried.
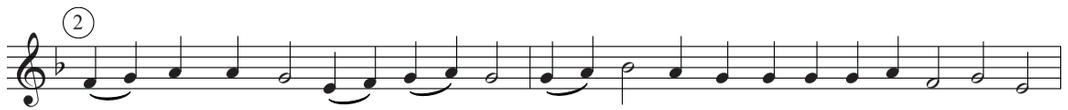
Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16
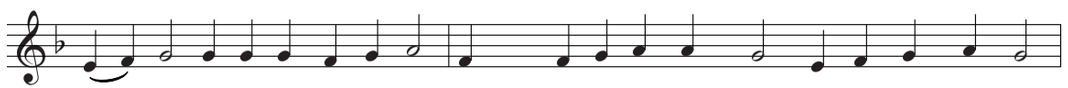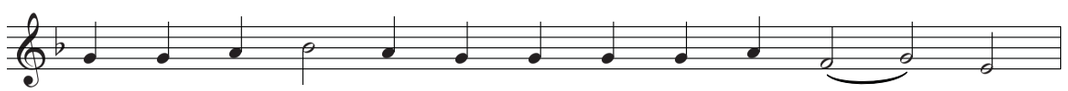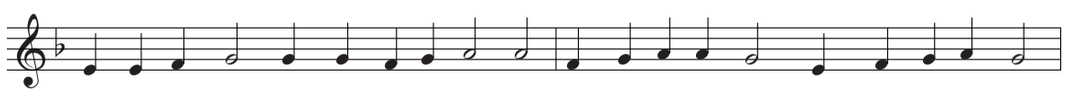




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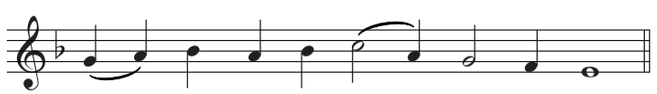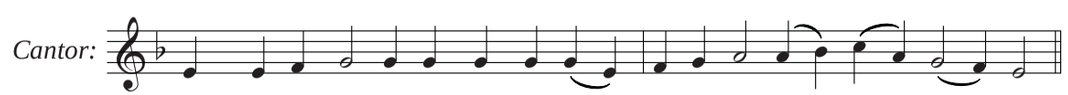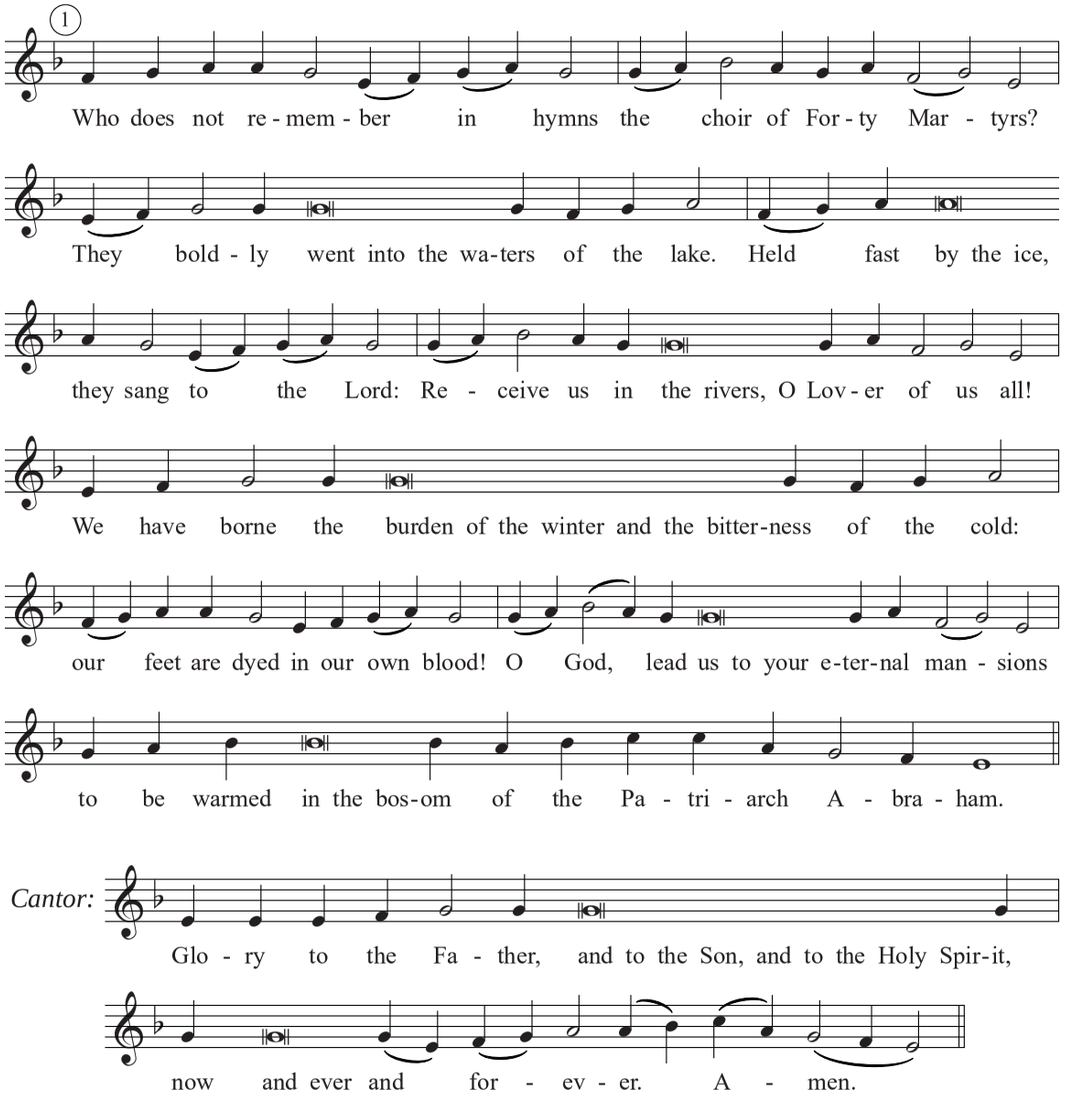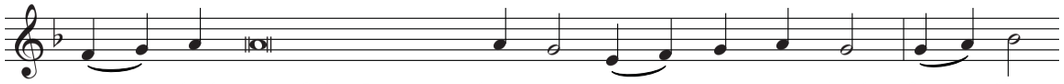










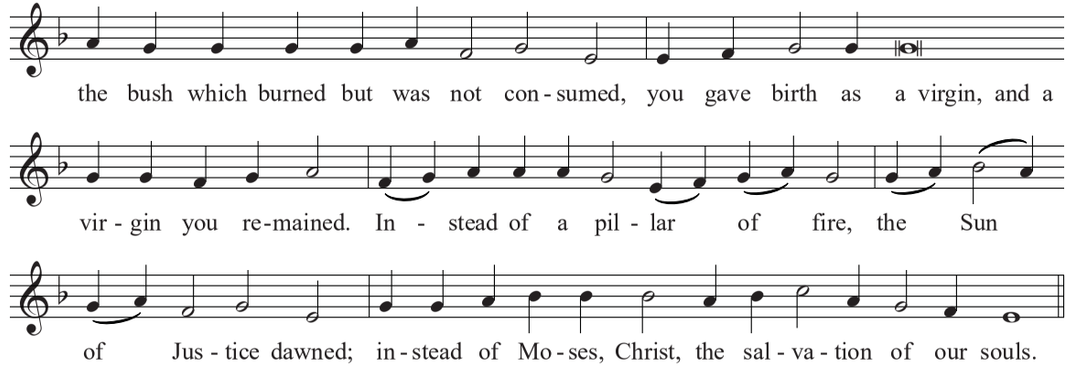






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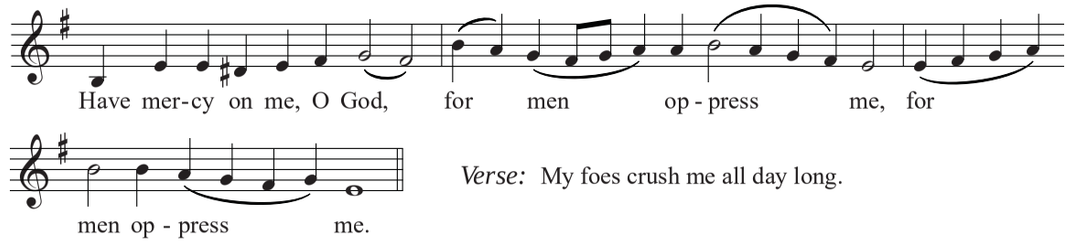




The service continues with the Hymn of the Evening, "O Joyful Light," *on page 22.*

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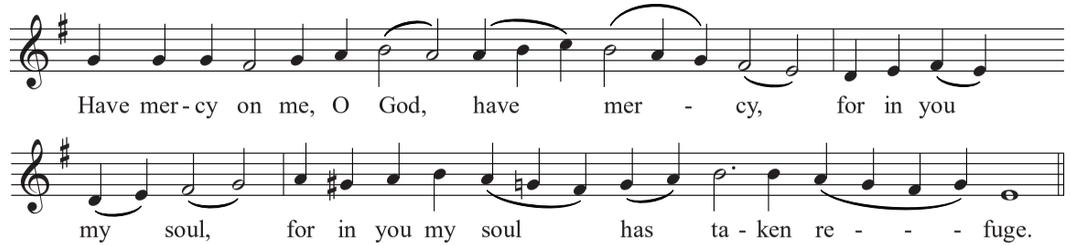
Prokeimenon I - *Tone 6 (*Psalm 55: 2a, 2b)



Verse: My foes crush me all day long.

Reading: Genesis 7:11-8:4

Prokeimenon II - *Tone 7* (Psalm 56: 2a, 2b)



Verse: In the shadow of your wings I take refuge.

Reading: Proverbs 10:1-22