

THE STRUCTURE OF THE GREAT VESPERS SERVICE

- Priest:* "Blessed is our God. . ."
Chanter: "Amen. O come let us worship. . ."
Psalm 104
- Priest:* **Great Ektenia**
Chanter: **"O Lord, I have cried unto Thee" in the proper tone**
Psalms 141, 142, 130, 117 sung alternately
Stichera, preceded by the proper verse.
Glory. . .
Now and ever. . . (*During which the Little Entrance is performed*)
- Priest:* "Wisdom! Attend!"
Chanter and
Priest: **"O Gladsome Light. . ."**
Priest: "The Evening Prokeimenon"
Chanter: Proper **Prokeimenon**
Priest: **Ektenia of Fervent Supplication:** "Let us say with all our soul. . ."
Chanter: "Vouchsafe, O Lord. . ."
Priest: **Ektenia:** "Let us complete our evening prayer. . ."
Chanter: Proper **Aposticha**
Glory. . .
Now and ever. . .
- Priest or*
Chanter: **St. Simeon's Prayer**
People: **Trisagion Prayers** ("Holy God. . ." through **Lord's Prayer**)
Priest: **Exclamation** "For thine is the Kingdom. . ."
Chanter: Proper **Troparion and Theotokion**
Priest: **Dismissal**