



**Daily Vespers**  
**for**  
**August 28, 2017**  
**(To be prayed Sunday evening)**

**Our Venerable Father**  
**Moses the Ethiopian**

**Propers**  
**(Changeable Texts)**

According to the  
Gregorian Calendar for Pascha

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*The following Vesper service of the Byzantine Daily Office is for one's own personal rule of prayer. If time is short, it is preferable to say only a few prayers with attention, rather than to attempt them all in haste and without concentration.*

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**Kathisma**  
**(none)**

**At Psalm 140**

6. If you, O Lord, should mark our guilt,  
Lord, who would survive?  
But with you is found forgiveness:  
for this we revere you.

**Tone 3:** I have sinned greatly and offended You, O Master, Who by nature are gracious and merciful. Like the prodigal, I repent sincerely. Receive me, O heavenly Father, and make me one of Your servants.

5. My soul is waiting for the Lord. I count on his word.  
My soul is longing for the Lord more than  
watchman for daybreak.

**Tone 3:** I have spent my life in idleness; I, a miserable soul, am nearing the end. I do not reflect on the judgment awaiting me, nor on being separated from God. Convert me, O Savior, and rescue me from all of this evil.

4. Let the watchman count on daybreak  
and Israel on the Lord.

**Tone 3:** Deliver my lowly soul from hell and the gnashing of teeth, O Lord, and from all other eternal suffering, O Most Gracious One; so that I may sing to You with faith, since You are by nature merciful, and You love mankind.

3. **Because with the Lord there is mercy and  
fullness of redemption,  
Israel indeed he will redeem from all its iniquity.**

**Tone 1:** Your Feastday has arrived, O God-bearer. Brighter than the sun, your memory enlightens all who come to you in faith. O Moses, intercessor for our souls, your soul is fragrant with immortality and you pour out healing for our souls.

**Psalm 116**

2. **Praise the Lord, all you nations,  
acclaim him all you peoples!**

**Tone 1:** O Wonderworker Moses, you subdued the sensual and bodily passions with the bridle of abstinence. On earth you displayed angelic zeal in subjecting bodily lusts to the spirit. In the heavenly courts where you now dwell, offer prayers for our souls.

1. **Strong is the love of the Lord for us;  
he is faithful forever.**

**Tone 1:** O blessed Moses, by discarding the old self and its urges, and by truly clothing yourself with Christ, you laid a foundation for virtue. And so, after repelling many hostile attacks, you became a guide for monks, O venerable One. Offer your prayers for the salvation of our souls.

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,  
Now and ever and forever. Amen.**

**Tone 3:** O Most Pure One, you reign over all creatures. By your warm intercession and your motherly prayer, free me because I am ruled by my passions beyond all comprehension. Free me that I may serve your Son and God.

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### **The Evening Prokeimenon**

**Tone 4:** The Lord hears me whenever I call him.

**Verse:** When I call, answer me, O God of Justice.

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### **Apostichera**

**Tone 3:** We offer to You our evening hymn, O Christ, with incense and spiritual song. Have mercy upon our souls, O Savior.

**I have lifted up my eyes to You enthroned in heaven.**

**Behold, as the eyes of servants are on the hands of their masters, as the eyes of a maid are on the hands of her mistress, so are our eyes on the Lord our God until He has mercy on us.**

Save me, O my Lord God, for You are the Savior of All. A storm of passion is tossing me about, and the weight of transgression is sinking me. Give me Your helping hand, and lead me to the light of humility; for You alone are merciful, and You love mankind.

**Have mercy on us, O Lord, have mercy on us; for we have been filled with shame; our soul is all too full of the mockery of the rich, of the contempt of the proud.**

Great is the power of Your Cross, O Lord; for though it was raised in one place, it acts throughout the world. It made apostles of fishermen, and martyrs of the Gentiles. We beg them to intercede for our souls.

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, Now and ever and forever. Amen.**

**Tone 3:** O Mother of God! O Intercession of all who pray to you! We have confidence because of you; we boast because of you, and all our hope is in you! In behalf of your worthless servants, implore Him Who was born of You.

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## Troperia

### For a Venerable

### Tone 8

In you, O father, the divine image was strictly preserved; taking up your cross, you followed Christ. You taught us by example how to spurn the flesh, for it passes away, and how to care for the soul, which is immortal. Therefore, O venerable Moses, your soul rejoices with the angels.



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