BLESSED XENIA OF ST. PETERSBURG, FOOL-FOR-CHRIST
Praises of Orthros

January 24th
Byzantine Chant Tone 8
Special Melody: O strange wonder

1. Toiling with labors both night and day, O Xenia, thou build-

2. Thou for a season didst disappear out of the sight of

3. He that in thy lifetime gave thee strength to pass the limits

- est up the divine temple of the Lord: with the bricks, a

- the world, to return as a shining light hid beneath the

- of man after death made thy shepherd an abundant

- come-ly church, and with prayer, thy most blessed soul, where in the Lord

- bushel of thine ostensibly fool-ish-ness; but beams of mir-

- store of grace with the cure fit for each distress. And since thou liv-

- God Almighty took His rest and gave thee strength passing nature

- a-cles made thee known to all; in thy dark sayings, great wisdom

- est eternally in Christ, thou dost appear in all quarters

- to travail un- to the benefit

- brightly shone; and with thy proph-ecies,

- of the earth, show ing what gifts thou hast

- to thy neighbor and the glory of thy Lord,

- thou didst guide the lives of those who honored thee,

- to assist them that invoke thy name in faith,

- with Whom never cease to plead for them that honor thee.

- for they knew the Spirit of the Lord abode in thee.

O all-laughed Xenia, glory of the Orthodox.

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