

February 7th

Righteous Father Luke of Mount Stirion (Hellas)
Stichera at "O Lord, I have cried"

Byzantine Tone 6/Plagal Second Mode
Special Melody: *Having laid up all their hope*

1) Thou for - sook - est pas - sion - ate at - tach - ment un - to thy

par - ents and all love for world - ly things,

whol - ly fol - low - ing the Lord from thy ten - der youth.

Dwell-ing in des - ert wilds prac - tic - ing the vir - - - tue

of as - acet - - - ics in hu - mil - i - ty,

thou didst live out thy life with a fer - vent spir - it, O right-eous one,

by trad - ing well and giv - ing out

all thou didst pos - sess to the des - ti - tute;

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The musical score consists of eight staves of music for a single voice. The key signature changes between G major, E major, F major, and G major. The lyrics describe the life and sufferings of Saint Luke the Righteous, mentioning his pearl, the price of Christ's salvation, his desire for God, his wonder-worship, and his trials and sufferings.

Strophe 1:

G E G

and the Pearl of Great Price, Christ Je - sus, hast thou
pur - chased for thy - self, hav - ing at - tained thy de - sire for Him,

F E

won - der - wor - thy Fa - - ther Luke.

Strophe 2:

G

2) O most sa - cred Saint of God, thou didst en - dure to be

beat - en and re - viled and fought a - gainst

E

by thy fa - ther for the sake of the Lord of all,

G

af - ter Whom thou didst yearn; pierced with long - ing for Him,

F

thou didst reck - - - on all de - lights as nought;

G E

ex - ile didst thou love well, and to be de-prived of thy moth-er's love;

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The musical score consists of eight staves of Gregorian chant notation for a single voice. The music is in common time and uses a soprano C-clef. The notes are primarily black dots representing short sounds, with occasional white dots for longer sounds. The lyrics are written below each staff, aligned with the corresponding musical notes. The key signature changes between staves, indicated by letters above the staff (G, C, E, F). Measure numbers are present in some staves.

Staff 1: G
and thou didst put up - on thy - self

Staff 2: C
the mo - nas - tic hab - it, O glo - rious one.

Staff 3: G E G
But God then re - vealed thee a - gainst thy will, O

Staff 4:
right - eous Fa - ther Luke, hav - ing in - clined to thy moth - er's prayers

Staff 5: F E
since He is the Friend of man.

Staff 6: G
3) When thou hadst most sa - cred - ly end - ed thy life's sa - cred

Staff 7:
la - bors, thou didst work great mir - a - cles,

Staff 8: E
sa - cred, strange, and mar - vel - lous where - by God vouch-safed

Staff 9: G
a di - vine pledge to thee e - ven ere be - stow - - - ing

the re - ward _____ of thy di - vine tra - vails;

but when He shall ap - pear as the Judge of all, He shall give to thee

a crown that nev - er per - ish - eth

and a glo - ry last - ing ē - ter - nal - ly.

Where-fore, im - por - tune _____ Him to res - cue us, who

ev - er sing thy praise, from ev - 'ry ē - vil and suf - fer - ing,

O most right - eous Fa - ther Luke.