

April 27th

Hieromartyr Simeon, Kinsman of the Lord

Stichera at "O Lord, I have cried"

Byzantine Mode 4
Special Melody: *As one valiant*

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E Un.

1) Thou didst prove a most sa - cred priest, and an ath - lete who
right - ly strove, an au - then - tic kins - men of
Him that made all things, and an ex - ceed - ing - ly
won - drous won - der - work - er, O Sim - e - on;
a sure guide to err - ing men, a bright star of far -
- shin - ing light, and thē An - gels' peer; thē au - gust Church -'s
nev - er - shak - en pil - lar, and thē heir who hath as
por - tion that bless - ed king - dom be - yond this world.

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2) Af - ter bod - i - ly suf - fer - ings in all man - ner of

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pun - ish - ments, af - ter ev - 'ry tor - ment of

sharp and griev - ous pain, and af - ter num - ber - less

wres - tlings, at the last, — thou wast cru - ci - fied,

here - by im - i - tat - ing Christ, Who was cru - ci - fied

will - ing - ly; hence, this day we keep thy bright mem - o - ry,

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and — we are en - light - ened in our spir - i - tu - al

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sens - es, O wise and mar - vel - ous Sim - e - on.

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3) While still wet with thy sa - cred blood, thou didst sa - cred - ly

make thy way up un - to the heav - en - ly

Tem - ple full of joy; and thou dost stand in the

pres - ence of thē All - ho - ly Trin - i - ty,

shin - ing rich - ly with the beams of the light - nings that

is - sue thence, bless - ed Sim - e - on. Hence, we joy - ous - ly

keep thy ho - ly mem - o - ry, where - on, by thine en -

-treat - ies, we find the loos - ing of all our sins.