

July 11th

# Great-martyr Euphemia the all-praised

## Stichera at "O Lord, I have cried"

Byzantine Chant Tone 8  
Special melody: *O strange wonder*

Adapted by Dn. John El Massih  
from various sources



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1) O strange won - er how Eu - phe - mi - a, the gen - tle

lamb of the Lord, im - i - tat - ed His

G↓ C G↓

will - ing death with the pains she un - der - went

C

in her con - test of mar - tyr - dom; and by the

G↓

might of the Ho - ly Spir - it's grace,

C

while laid to rest in the tomb, she pour - eth forth

springs of her ho - ly blood, which we draw forth for the

Un. G↓

cleans - ing of our souls, as we dai - ly send up

C

praise un - to the God of all.

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2) Thou, O all-famed Mar-tyr, ver-i-ly didst check the  
 fu-ry of beasts as did Dan-iel in  
 old-en times; and, di-vine grace help-ing thee,  
 thou didst eas-i-ly brave the fire; hav-ing borne  
 all oth-er tor-ments pa-tient-ly,  
 thou didst re-ceive thy fair wreath of vic-to-ry,  
 which nev-er with-er-eth, and thou went-est up in  
 joy to thy Be-lov'd; where-fore, we now hon-or  
 thee with praise and call thee blest.

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3) In ho - ly coun - cil, the Fa - thers placed the def - i -  
 - ni - tion of faith on thy breast, O Eu -  
 phe - mi - a; and thou, O all - laud - ed maïd,  
 by em - brac - ing it didst pre - serve the god - ly  
 Faith stead - fast and im - mov - a - ble,  
 while turn - ing back in de - feat all her - e - sy  
 and heap - ing o - pen shame on the cham - pi - ons of  
 false - hood; where - fore, we hon - or thee and call thee  
 blest, for thou art glo - ri - ous.