July 27th

Great-Martyr and Healer Panteleimon

Stichera at "O Lord, I have cried"

Byzantine Chant Tone 4
Special melody: Thou who wast called from on high

Adapted by Dn. John El Massih

1) Thou who wast rightly named Merciful in All Things,

when thou hadst spread over all thy tender love for man,

showing thy care and solicitude by freely granting

the healing both of the body and the soul,

then was Panteleimon made thy right and worthy name,

be bestowed, O Martyr, in compensation for holy virtue

and as the wage of thy godly piety;

and thou hast shown thyself to be a crowned

and invincible soldier of Christ our God.

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Do thou therefore entreat Him
to enlighten and to save our souls.

2) Thou who wast given the grace of cures and healings,
when thou hadst preferred above all else, true piety,
in holding fast to the godliness thy mother taught thee,
and rightly hating thy father's godlessness,
then was that divine illumination given thee
by the Abyss of Enlightenment, the Lightbestower,

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for with divine foreknowledge He foresaw

the illustrious splendor of godly life,

which, O wise Panteleimon,

thou didst show forth in the sight of all.

3) From immaterial well-springs of salvation,

thou forever drawest up the grace of godly cures,

which thou aboundantly bringest forth and dost distribute

to those who come to thee, O most blest of God.

Now, with grace divine, illumine them that faithfully

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keep thine all-sacred and glorious and shining feast day;

employ the mercy for which thou hast been named,

and show that kindness which doth imitate

the unspeakable kindness of God Himself;

which implore may be granted

unto all who sing thy praise in hymns.