September 9th

The Great-martyr Severian of Sebaste
Stichera at "O Lord, I have cried"

Byzantine Chant Tone/Mode 4
Special Melody: Unto them that fear thee

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2) Led forth as a captive, yet made fair and glorying
in thy wounds, thou, O blessed Severian, didst
rouse them that looked on thee unto imitation
of thy valiant course, looking to the heavenly rewards,
which, being endless and incorruptible, give
much delight and gladness; and moreover, lastingly
-ter-nally, they receive as inheritors
them that serve Christ with faith and love.
3) When thy jaws were crushed with stones, O celebrated Severian, and thy sides beaten with a sword, thy throat and feet being crushed by a stone most mighty; when thy joints were wrested asunder ruthlessly in pains, thou truly breakest the dragon's wicked head because of the nobility of thine endurance, O blessed one, which the harrowing misery of the torments could not defeat.