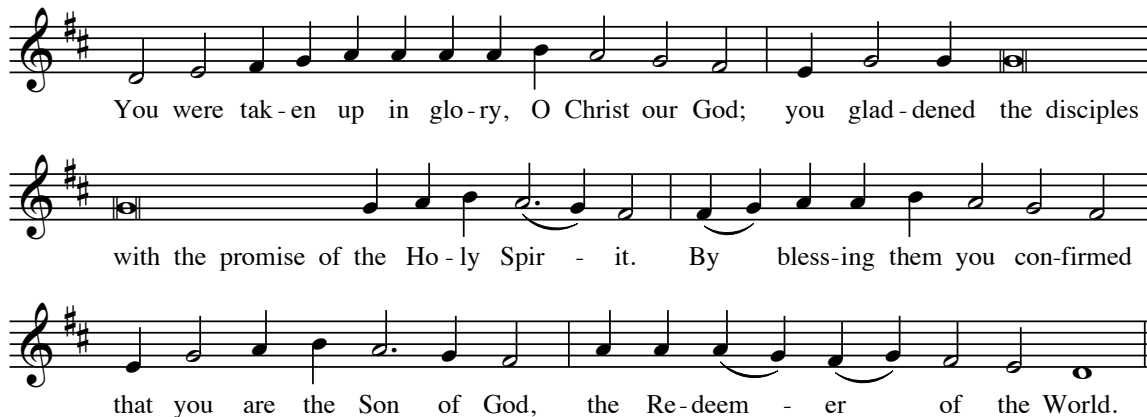


## THIRD HOUR PROPER FOR MAY 28<sup>TH</sup>, 2020

### **1**Postfestive Day of the Ascension

**Our venerable father Nicetas, bishop of Chalcedon.** As a bishop, he was particularly compassionate to the poor, and cared for many widows, orphans, and beggars. When emperor Leo the Armenian began his campaign against the holy icons, Nicetas came courageously to their defense. He was finally driven into exile for the faith. (836)

#### **Troparion of the Ascension – Tone 4**



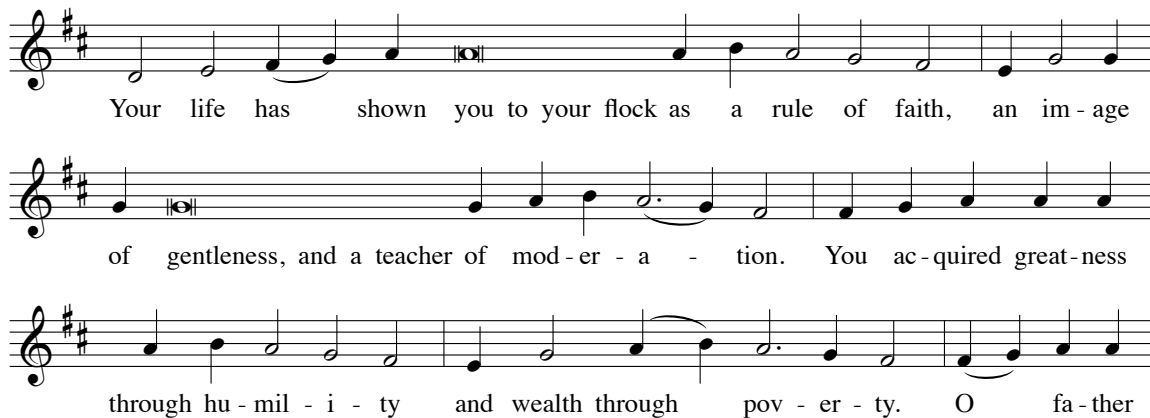
You were tak-en up in glo-ry, O Christ our God; you glad-dened the disciples  
with the promise of the Ho-ly Spir - it. By bless-ing them you con-firmed  
that you are the Son of God, the Re-deem - er of the World.

#### **Cantor (Tone 4):**



Glo - ry to the Fa-ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spir - it.

#### **Troparion - Tone 4**



Your life has shown you to your flock as a rule of faith, an im - age  
of gentleness, and a teacher of mod - er - a - tion. You ac-quired great-ness  
through hu - mil - i - ty and wealth through pov - er - ty. O fa - ther



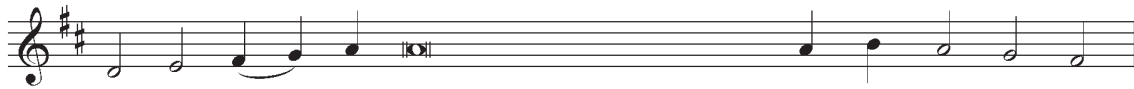
and bish-op Ni - ce - tas, in - tercede with Christ our God to save our souls.

**Cantor (Tone 4):**



Now and ev - er and for - ev - er. A - men.

**Theotokion of Third Hour – Tone 4:**



O The - o - to - kos, you are the true vine laden with the Fruit of Life;



where - fore, we im - plore you, O La - dy, to in - ter - cede



to - gether with the apos-tles and all the saints that we may obtain mer - cy



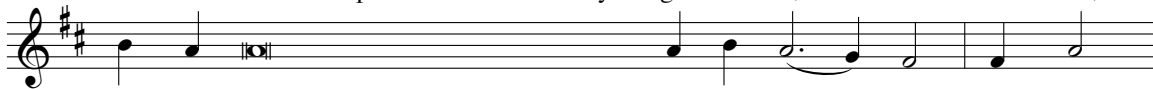
for our souls.

*Third Hour continues with "May the Lord God be blessed..." on p. 9*

**Kontakion - Tone 8**



You were re - splen - dent from your good works, O Ni - ce - tas,



and you inherited the apostolic seat, O vener a - ble fa - ther. You beamed



like the sun o - ver your flock, ra - diating all of the di vine dog - mas.



That is why we sing to you: Re - joice, O inspira tion of Chal - ce - don.

*Third Hour continues with "Lord, have mercy..." (40 times) on p. 11*

<sup>1</sup>Format 10: Postfestive Day with an Ordinary Saint on a Weekday