

October 23th

Great-Martyr Arethas (Al-Haarith) & Companions in Arabia

Stichera at "O Lord, I have cried"

Byzantine Chant Tone 1

Special melody: *O all-lauded Martyrs*

Adapted by Dn. John El Massih



1) In set - ting thy brav - er - y a - gainst the brute fierce - ness of the



Jews, O all - famed Mar - tyr A - re - thas, with the help of grace di - vine



thou didst gain the vic - t'ry and thou brought - est un - to Christ



a choir of no - ble Mar - tyrs en - list - ed in His



Name, O glo - rious one, which was formed of ev - 'ry age of man



and u - nit - ed those of ev - 'ry state and rank.



2) O all - praised A - re - thas, thou didst bring thy most sa - cred fel - low

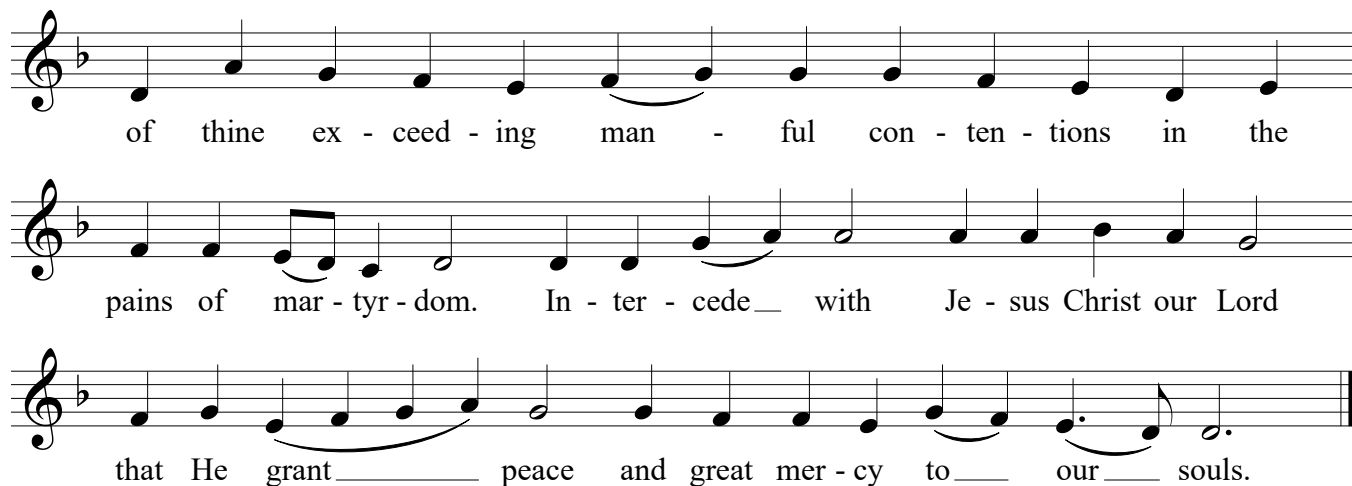


Mar - tyrs all to - geth - er to form one great de - light - ful choir, with whom

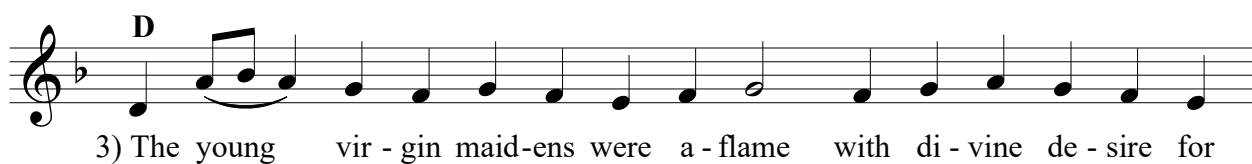


thou hast fought the good fight and hast fin - ished well the course

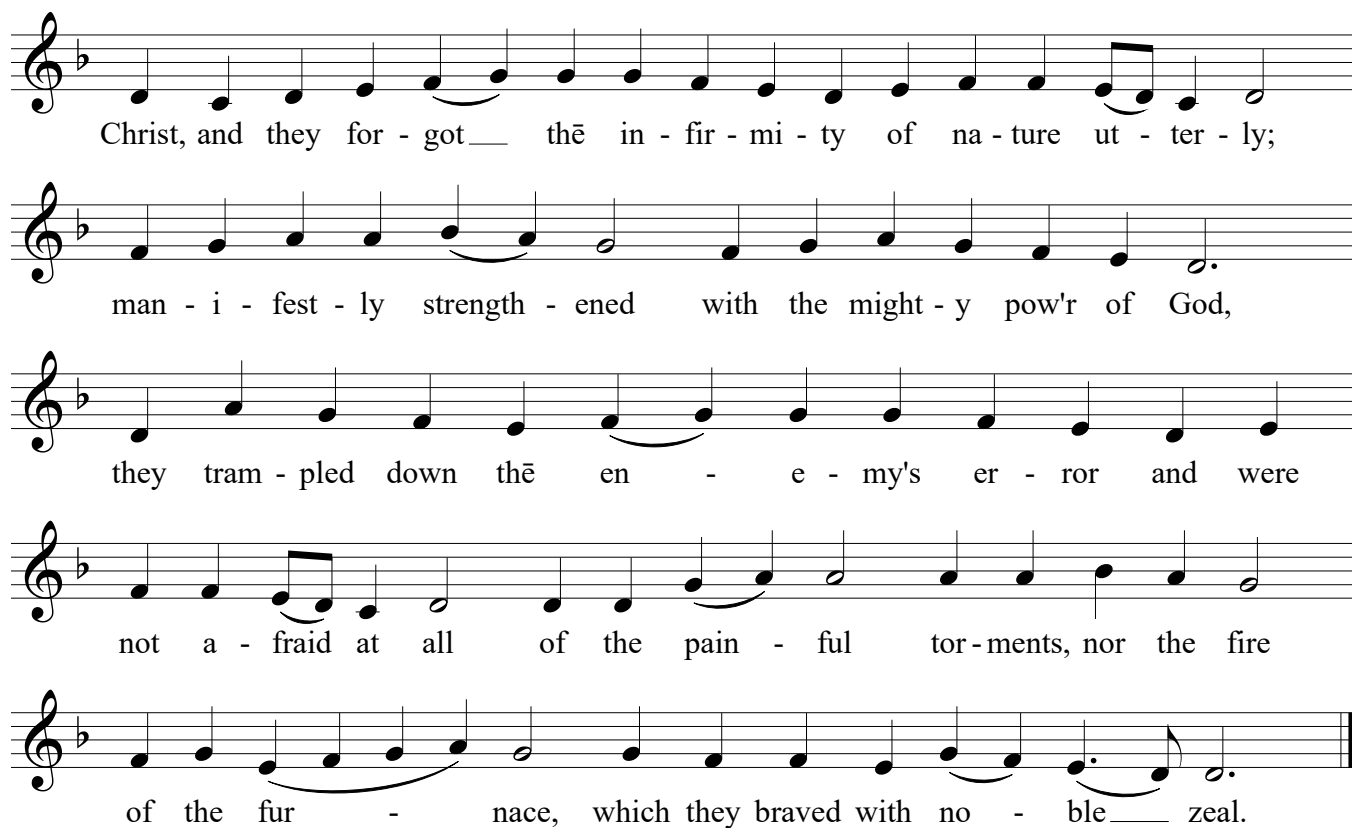
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of thine ex - ceed - ing man - ful con - ten - tions in the
pains of mar - tyr - dom. In - ter - cede_ with Je - sus Christ our Lord
that He grant_____ peace and great mer - cy to___ our___ souls.



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3) The young vir - gin maid - ens were a - flame with di - vine de - sire for



Christ, and they for - got___ thē in - fir - mi - ty of na - ture ut - ter - ly;
man - i - fest - ly strength - ened with the might - y pow'r of God,
they tram - pled down thē en - e - my's er - ror and were
not a - fraid at all of the pain - ful tor - ments, nor the fire
of the fur - nace, which they braved with no - ble___ zeal.