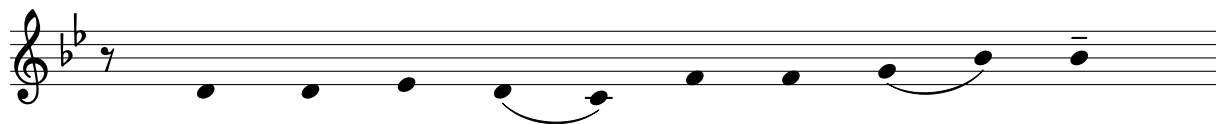


# Through the Holy Cross

*Triumph of the Holy Cross September 14th, Offertory Antiphon Hymn*



1.& 6. Lord, our God, pro - tect thy peo - ple  
2. Faith - ful Cross! A - bove all oth - er,  
3. Loft - y tree bend down thy branch - es,  
4. Tree which was sole - ly found worth - y  
5. Bless - ing, hon - or, ev - er - last - ing,



from at - tacks by en - e - mies, Through the Ho - ly Cross of Je - sus;  
One and on - ly no - ble Tree! None in fol - iage, none in bloss - om,  
To em - brace thy sac - red load; Oh, re - lax the na - tive ten - sion  
this world's vic - tim to sus - tain; Har - bor from the rag - ing temp - est!  
to th'Im - mor - tal De - i - ty; To the Fa - ther, Son, and Spi - rit,



Pleas - ing may our ser - vice be, And our sac - ri - fice be ev - er,  
None in fruit thy peers may be; Sweet - est wood and sweet - est i - ron!  
of that all too rig - id wood; Gent - ly, gent - ly bear the mem - bers  
Ark that saved the world a - gain! Tree with sac - red blood an - oint - ed,  
E - qual prais - es ev - er be; Glo - ry through the earth and heav - en,



Lord, ac - cept - a - ble to Thee.  
Sweet - est weight is hung on thee.  
of thy dy - ing King and God.  
of the Lamb for sin - ners slain.  
Trin - i - ty in U - ni - ty. A - men.

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