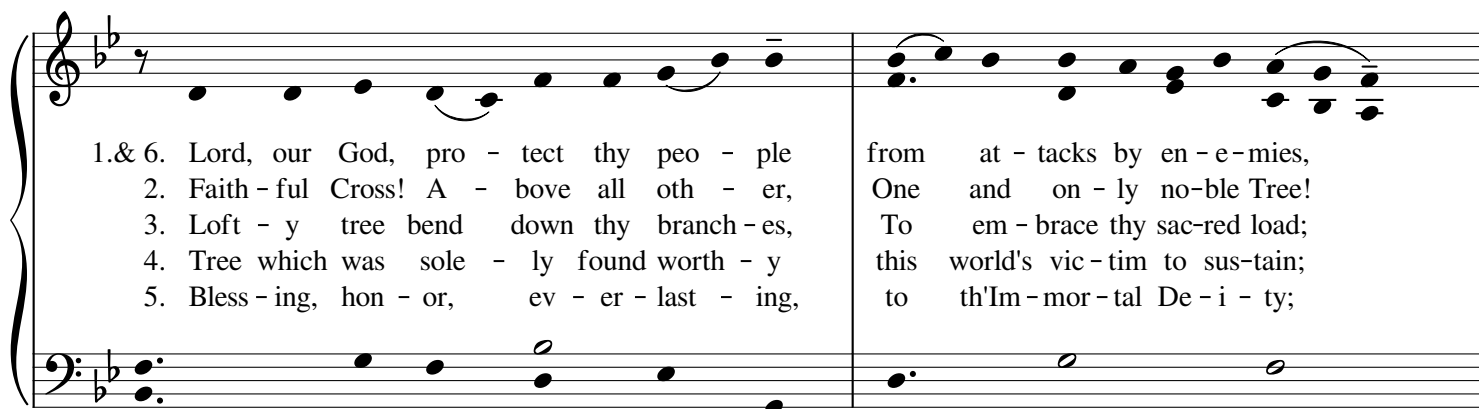


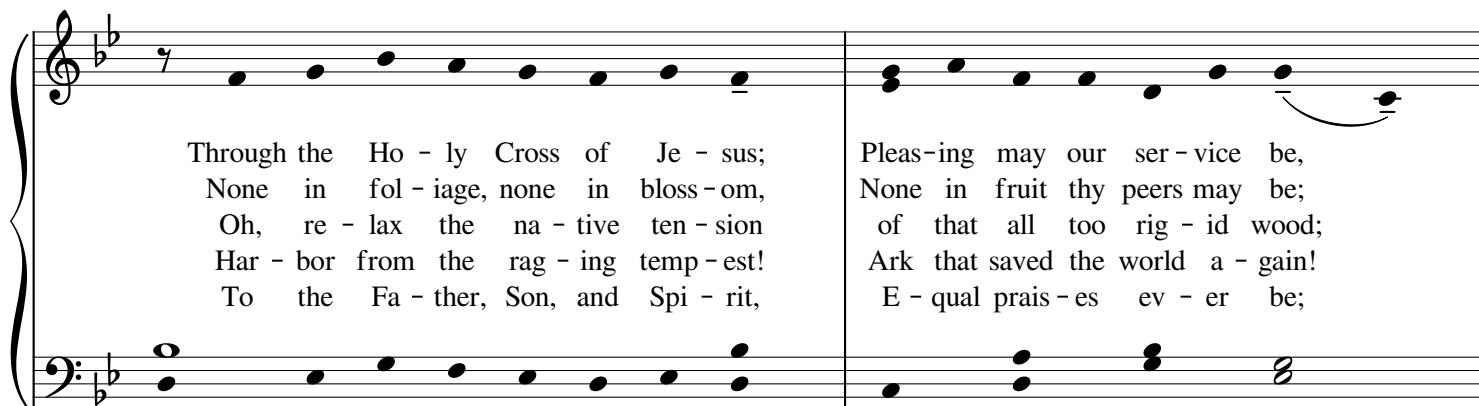
Through the Holy Cross

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



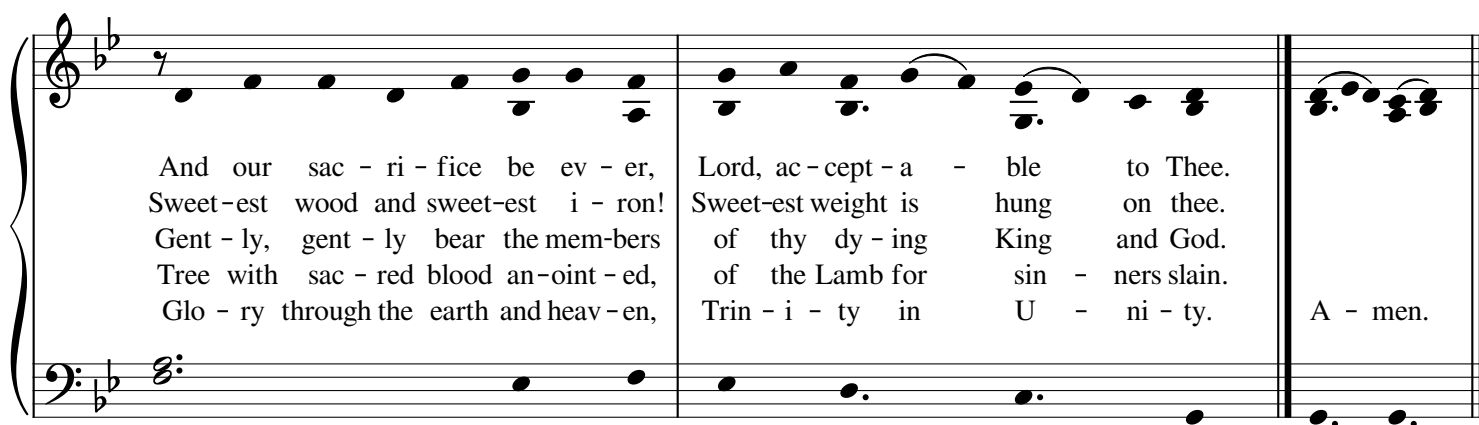
1.& 6. Lord, our God, pro - tect thy peo - ple
2. Faith - ful Cross! A - bove all oth - er,
3. Loft - y tree bend down thy branch - es,
4. Tree which was sole - ly found worth - y
5. Bless - ing, hon - or, ev - er - last - ing,

from at - tacks by en - e - mies,
One and on - ly no - ble Tree!
To em - brace thy sac - red load;
this world's vic - tim to sus - tain;
to th'Im - mor - tal De - i - ty;



Through the Ho - ly Cross of Je - sus;
None in fol - iage, none in bloss - om,
Oh, re - lax the na - tive ten - sion
Har - bor from the rag - ing temp - est!
To the Fa - ther, Son, and Spi - rit,

Pleas - ing may our ser - vice be,
None in fruit thy peers may be;
of that all too rig - id wood;
Ark that saved the world a - gain!
E - qual prais - es ev - er be;



And our sac - ri - fice be ev - er,
Sweet - est wood and sweet - est i - ron!
Gent - ly, gent - ly bear the mem - bers
Tree with sac - red blood an - oint - ed,
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.

Text: Vs. 1 Offertory Antiphon, Triumph of the Holy Cross, Gregorian Missal, Protege, Domine
Adapted Luke Massery © 2021. Other verses, CRUX FIDELIS by Venantius Fortunatus 530-609. Tune: PANGE LINGUA

Original Antiphon: Protect your people, O Lord, by the sign of the Holy cross, from the attacks of all enemies;
so that our service may be agreeable unto you and our sacrifice acceptable, alleluia.