

# Third Sunday of the Great Fast (Veneration of the Holy Cross)

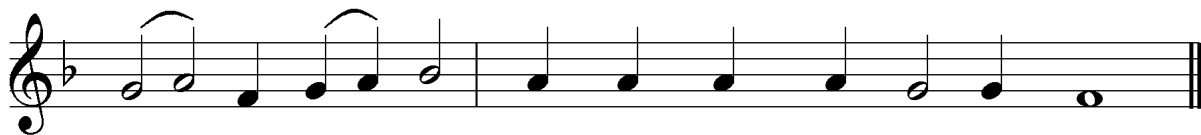
## Troparion of the Cross, Tone 1



O Lord, save your peo - ple, and bless your in - her - i - tance,

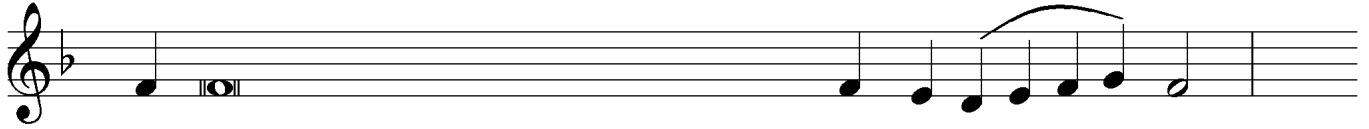


grant - - ing to faith - ful Christ - ians vic - tor - ies ov - er their en - e - mies,



and pro - tect - - ing your com - mon - wealth by your Cross.

### Kontakion of the Sunday (of the Cross), Tone 7



The fie - ry sword no long - er guards the gates of Ed - - - - - en,



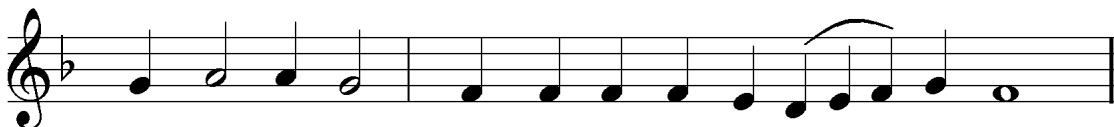
for in a strange and glo - ri - ous way the Tree of the Cross has



quenched its flames. The sting of death and the vic - to - ry of Hell are

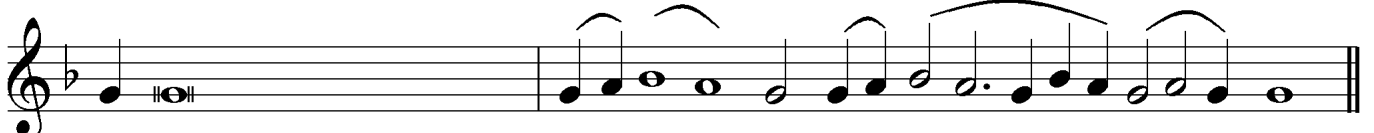


now de - stroyed, for you have come, my Sav - - - - - viour, cry - ing



to those in Hell: "Re - turn a - gain to Par - - - - a - dise."


### Prokeimenon, Tone 6



O Lord, save your people, and bless your in -- her - - - - - i - - - - tance.

*Verse:* To you, O Lord, I cry; my God, be not silent to me.

### Alleluia, Tone 1



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - - - - - le - - - lu - - - - - ia.

*Verse 1:* Remember your congregation, which you have purchased from the beginning; you have ransomed the rod of your inheritance.

*Verse 2:* God is our king from before the ages; he has wrought salvation in the midst of of the earth.