

The priest martyr Josaphat, archbishop of Polotsk

NOVEMBER 12



1. God, of all your mar - tyr's, crown, hear the hymn we
2. Jo - sa - phat, a preach - er bold, was a bish - op
3. Strong de - fend - er of his Church, Lov - er of the
4. God the Fa - ther, God the Son, God the Spir - it,



raise in glad-ness, prais-ing good Saint Jo - sa - phat,
strong and fear-less; in his love for all his flock
East - ern teach-ing, faith - ful priest and lead - er true
take our prais - s with our hymns on this glad day



Who (in midst of earth - ly sad-ness) fol - lowed Christ, the
And his ar - dor, he was peer-less; "that in Christ we
Urged his peo - ple through his preach-ing, and, by God's mys-
Which your Church in glo - ry rais - es; with our Pa - tron



Way, the Life, brav - ing trou - ble, scorn, and strife.
one may be" was his earn - est, heart - felt plea.
te - rious grace, took in heav'n a mar - tyr's place.
joined in song, ech - o - ing the ag - es long!

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Melody: *Grosser Gott, wir loben Dich / Holy God, we praise thy name* (Katholisches Gesangbuch, Vienna, 1774)