

# Third Sunday of the Great Fast

## Veneration of the Holy Cross



1. With joy we keep the ho - - - ly Fast  
2. Now is the time ac - cep - - - ta - ble!  
3. Be - fore your cross we bow to - day,  
4. To God, the bless - ed Three - - - in - One,



And gath - er on the Lord's own Day  
To - day, the day our Sav - ior calls!  
And hail you, Christ, our sav - ing Lord.  
Who made and saves and sanc - ti - fies,



That through His Word and Sac - ra - ment,  
Let us cast off the weight of sin  
With mid - Lent come, we claim your grace;  
All praise in heav - en now is sung,



We may give thanks to Christ, the Way.  
And rise a - gain from e - vil's falls.  
Your peo - ple aid, your help af - ford!  
While earth with thanks and love re - plies!

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