

Apolytikion Elevation of the Cross

6.9

(Also sung on the 3rd Sunday of Lent and August 1st)

Byzantine Tone 1
Allegretto ♩ = 104

Arranged by Dr. Fred Karam
(1926 - 1978)

Soprano
Alto

Tenor
Bass

O Lord, save thy peo - ple and
bless - thine in - her - i - tance, grant - ing to thy peo - ple
vic - t'ry o - ver all their en - e - mies, and
by the pow'r of thy Cross
pre - ser - ving thy com - mon - wealth.

The musical score is written for four voices: Soprano, Alto, Tenor, and Bass. It is in the key of D major (one sharp) and begins in 4/4 time. The tempo is marked 'Allegretto' with a quarter note equal to 104 beats per minute. The score consists of five systems of music. The first system covers the first two lines of lyrics. The second system covers the next two lines. The third system covers the next two lines. The fourth system covers the next two lines. The fifth system covers the final two lines. The music features various time signatures, including 4/4, 6/4, 2/4, and 3/4. The lyrics are: 'O Lord, save thy people and bless - thine in - her - i - tance, grant - ing to thy peo - ple vic - t'ry o - ver all their en - e - mies, and by the pow'r of thy Cross pre - ser - ving thy com - mon - wealth.'