

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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