

Troparion

Elevation of the Cross

6.9

Byzantine Tone 1

Arranged by Dr. Fred Karam
(1926 - 1978)

Allegretto ♩ = 104

Soprano
Alto

Tenor
Bass

O Lord, save thy peo - ple and
bless - thine in - her - i - tance, grant - ing to thy peo - ple
vic - try 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 third line. The fourth system covers the fourth line. The fifth system covers the fifth line. The music features various time signatures: 4/4, 6/4, 2/4, and 8/4. The lyrics are: 'O Lord, save thy people and bless - thine inheritance, granting to thy people victory over all their enemies, and by the power of thy Cross preserving thy commonwealth.'