

Faithful Cross

traditional Polish

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Crux fidelis, Venantius Fortunatus, 6th cent.

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1. Faith - ful cross the saints re - ly on, No - ble tree be - yond com - pare.
2. Lof - ty tim - ber, smooth your rough - ness, Flex your boughs for blos - som - ing,
3. Nob - lest tree of all crea - a - ted, Rich - ly je - weled and em - bossed:
4. Wis - dom, power, and a - do - ra - tion, to the Bles - sed Tri - ni - ty,

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Ne - ver was there such a sci - on Ne - ver leaf or flow'r so rare.
Let your fib - res lose their tough - ness Gent - ly let your tend - rils cling,
Post by Lamb's blood con - sec - ra - ted, Spar that saves the tem - pest tossed.
For re - dem - ption and sal - va - tion Through the pas - chal Mys - te - ry.

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Sweet the tim - ber, sweet the ir - on, Sweet the bur - den that they bear!
Lay a - side your nat - ive gruff - ness, Clasp the bo - dy of your King!
Scaf - fold beam which, e - le - va - ted, Car - ries what the world has cost.
Now, in ev - ery ge - ne - ra - tion, And for all e - ter - ni - ty.

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