Crux et virga vigilans

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Editorial Notes

Source:
Liber primus epigramatum... (Valerio Dorico, Rome 1555)

Comments:
Text in italics and accidentals in brackets are editorial. Suitable Musica ficta is provided above the stave (though Directors need not feel bound to the editor’s decisions if they prefer alternatives).

Text:
Crux et virga vigilans,
iubar gloriae, signum
quam salus aeterna
ex cunctis cedris preciosam elegit. Alleluia.
O lignum vitae et crux dignissima,
quae decorem et pulchritudinem
de membris Domini suscepisti.
Quam salus aeterna
ex cunctis cedris preciosam elegit. Alleluia.

Translation:
Cross and vigilant rod,
radiance of glory, sign of victory,
precious one which eternal salvation
chose from all cedars. Alleluia.
O wood of life and most worthy cross,
which received elegance and beauty
from the limbs of the Lord.
Precious one which eternal salvation
chose from all cedars. Alleluia.