

HYMN : REX CHRISTE FACTOR OMNIUM

Hymn for Passiontide

Hymnus
VII

Rex Christe factor omni-um Redemptor et cre-
den-ti-um Placa-re votis suppli-cum Te laudi-bus colen-
ti-um. 2. Cu-jus benigna grati-a Cru-cis per alma
vulne-ra, Virtu-te solvit ardu-a Primi parentis vincu-
la. 3. Qui es Cre-a-tor si-derum, Tegmen subi-sti
carne-um : Dignatus es vil-issimam Pati do-loris formu-
lam. 4. Liga-tus es ut solve-res Mundi ru-entis comp-
li-ces : Per prora tergens crimi-na Quæ mundus auxit

plu-ri-ma. 5. Cru-ci Redemptor fige-ris, Terram sed om-
nem concutis : Tradis potentem spi-ri-tum, Nig-rescit at-
que sæ-culum. 6. Mox in paternæ glori-æ Victor resplen-
dens culmi-ne ; Cum Spi-ri-tus mu-nimi-ne Defen-de nos,

Rex opti-me. Amen.

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1. O Jesus! thou King and Creator of all, Redeemer, too, of believers, be appeased by the prayer and praise of thy humble suppliants.
2. 'Twas thy loving grace that, by the dear wounds of the cross, broke so powerfully the fetters forged by our first parents.
3. Thou, that art the Creator of the stars, didst deign to assume a body of flesh, and endure the most humiliating sufferings.
4. Thy hands were tied, that thou mightest loosen sinners, accomplices of a world condemned: thou didst suffer shame, so to cleanse away the manifold sins of the world.
5. Thou, our Redeemer, art fastened to the cross, but thou movest the whole earth: thou breathest forth thy mighty Spirit, and the world is buried in darkness.
6. But soon we see thee shining triumphantly on the high throne of thy Father's glory: do thou, O best of kings, defend us by the protection of the holy Spirit. Amen.