

# HYMN : VEXILLA REGIS PRODEUNT

*Terce Hymn for Passiontide*

Hymnus

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Exíl-la Re- gis pró- de- unt : Fulget Crucis mysté-  
ri- um, Quo carne carnis Cóndi- tor Suspén- sus est pa-  
tí- bu- lo. 2. Quo vulne- rá- tus ín- super Mucró- ne di- ro  
lánce- æ, Ut nos lavá- ret crí- mi- ne Ma- ná- vit unda  
sángui- ne 3. Arbor decó- ra fúl- gi- da, Orná- ta Re- gis  
púrpu- ra, E- lécta digno stí- pi- te Tam san- cta membra  
tánge- re. 4. Be- á- ta cu- jus brá- chi- is Sæcli pepén- dit

pré- ti- um : Sta- té- ra fa- cta córpo- ris, Prædám- que tu- lit  
tárta- ri. 5. O Crux, a- ve, spes ú- ni- ca : O Redemptó- ri- um  
gló- ri- a, Auge pi- is justí- ti- am, Re- ís- que do- na vé-  
ni- am. 6. Te summa De- us Trí- ni- tas, Colláudet omnis  
spíri- tus : Quos per Crucis mysté- ri- um Salvas, rege  
per sæcu- la. Amen.

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1. Behold the standard of the King!  
The wondrous cross is borne on high  
Whereon the Saviour willed to die,  
That out of death new life should spring.

2. O, wounded by the spear, a flood  
Flows from his side in love sublime,  
To wash our souls from stain and crime  
He sheds the water and the blood.

3. O beauteous tree! O wondrous wood!  
Dight with the purple of our king,  
Deemed worthy all our hope to bring,  
And touch the sacred limbs of God.

4. O blessed balance, where was weighed  
The price of ages; here was brought  
The sacred body that hath bought  
Our life and our salvation paid.

5. Hail cross, our only hope! in this  
The paschal-tide give added grace;  
Let tears of penance bathe each face;  
O cleanse our hearts and bring us bliss.

6. Salvation's fountain, three in one,  
Let every spirit praise thy name;  
Grant that we may the victory claim,  
And evermore thy will be done.  
Amen.