


Crux Fidelis




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Sound the loud tri - um - phal lay:
 Fruit of the for - bid - den tree:
 Art by art might be out - weighed:
 Forth from God's e - ter - nal home:
 Wraps in mean and low - ly bands:

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Tell how Christ, the world's re - dee - mer,
 Then a - no - ther tree was cho - sen
 And the lure the foe put for - ward,
 Thus he came to Earth in - car - nate,
 And the swadd - ling clothes are win - ding


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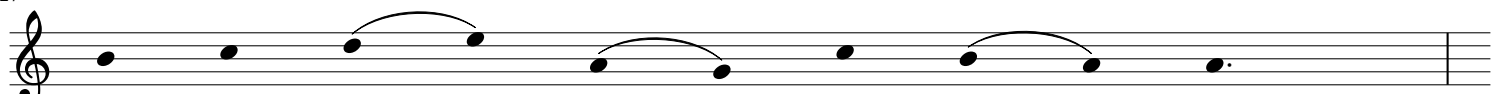
As a vic - tim won the day.
 Which the wor - ld from death should free.
 In - to mea - ns of hea - ling made.
 Off - spring of a vir - gin's womb.
 Round God's hel - pless feet and hands.

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Thir - ty years He dwelt a - mong us,
 He en - dur'd the nails, the spit - ting.
 Bend thy boughs, O tree of Glo - ry!
 Thou a - lone was coun - ted wor - thy
 To the Tri - ni - ty be glo - ry

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His ap - poin - ted time ful - filled,
 Vi - ne - gar, and spear, and reed;
 Thy re - la - xing si - news bend:
 This world's ran - som to up - hold:
 E - ver - las - ting as is meet;

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Born for this He met His pas - sion,
 From that ho - ly Bo - dy bro - ken
 For a - while the an - cient ri - gour
 For a ship-wreck'd race pre - par - ing
 E - qual to the Fa - ther, e - qual

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This the Sa - viour free - ly willed:
 Blood and wa - ter forth pro - ceed:
 That thy birth be - stow'd, sus - pend:
 Har - bour, like the ark of old:
 To the Son and Pa - ra - clete

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On the Cross the Lamb was lif - ted
 Earth and Stars and sky and o - cean
 And the King of heav' - nly beau - ty
 With the sac - red Blood a - noin - ted
 God the three in one whose prai - ses

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Where His Pre - cious Blood was spill'd. A - men.
 By that flood from stain are freed.
 On thy bo - som gen - tly tend.
 From the smit - ten Lamb that roll'd.
 All Cre - a - ted things re - peat.