

Abroad the Regal Banners Fly

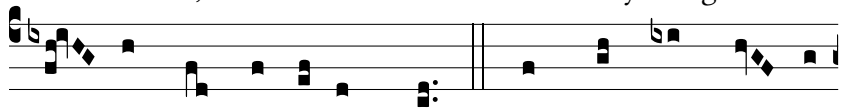
Vespers hymn for Passiontide

A -broad the re- gal ban- ners fly, Now shines the
Cross's myster-y: Upon it Life did death endure, And yet
by death did life procure. 2. Who, wounded with a dire-ful
spear, Did, purposely to wash us clear From stain of sin,
pour out a flood Of pre- cious wa-ter mixed with blood.
3. That which the proph-et-king of old Hath in myster-i-
ous verse foretold, Is now accomplished, whilst we see God
rul- ing na-tions from a Tree. 4. O lovely and re-ful-gent
Tree, Adorned with purple maj-esty; Culled from a worthy
stock, to bear Those limbs which san-cti-fi-éd were. 5. Blest
Tree, whose hap-py branches bore The wealth that did the

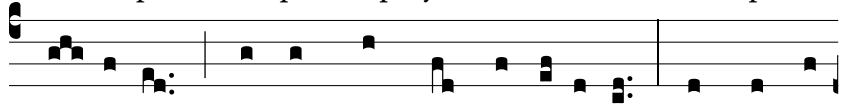
The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of ten staves of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The music is written in a simple, hymn-like style with a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a common time signature (C). The lyrics are printed below the vocal lines, with a large initial 'A' at the beginning of the first line. The text is a vespers hymn for Passiontide, describing the crucifixion and the Tree of Life.



world restore; The beam that did that Bod-y weigh Which



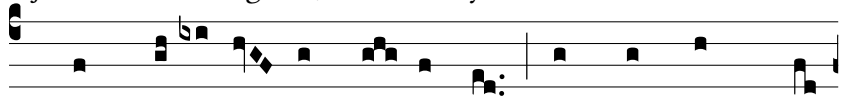
raised up hell's expected prey. 6. Hail Cross, our hope; on



thee we call, Who keep this mournful festi-val; Grant to the



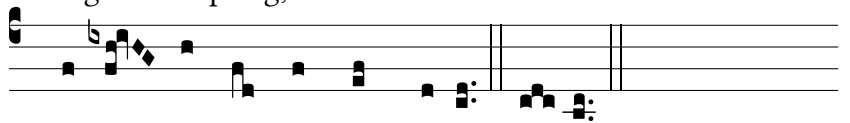
just increase of grace, And eve-ry sinner's crimes efface.



7. Blest Trin-i-ty, we prais-es sing To Thee, from whom



all grac-es spring; Ce-lestial crowns on those bestow



Who con-quer by the Cross be-low. A-men.

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