

THE ANGELUS

This ancient prayer may be recited silently with the bell. The versicle, response, and Angelic Greeting are recited on the three strikes of the bell. There are three sets. When the bell begins tolling the final versicle, response and concluding collect are recited. Traditionally the Angelus (or Regina Coeli during Eastertide) was rung at 6 am, noon, and 6 pm. Workers throughout the village and farmers in the fields would stop and remember the birth, death, and resurrection of Our Lord by this pious exercise. The Angelus is included here for potential use either before or after Stations of the Cross with or without the ringing of a bell.

V. The angel of the Lord declared unto Mary.

R. And she conceived of the Holy Ghost.

Hail Mary full of grace. The Lord is with thee.

Blessed are thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God, Pray for us sinners now and at the time of our death.

V. Behold the handmaid of the Lord.

R. Be it unto me according to Thy word.

Hail Mary...

V. And the Word was made flesh.

R. And dwelt among us.

Hail Mary...

V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray

Pour forth, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy grace into our hearts, that we to whom the Incarnation of Christ, Thy Son, was made known by the message of an angel, may by His Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of His resurrection. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Way of the Cross with selected hymns



St. Stephen's Anglican Church
Athens, Texas

Concluding Prayers before the Altar

Savior of the world, by thy cross and precious blood
thou hast redeemed us:

Save us, and help us, we humbly beseech thee, O Lord.

Hail Mary full of Grace. The Lord is with thee.

Blessed art thou among women

and blessed is the fruit of thy womb Jesus.

Holy Mary, Mother of God.

Pray for us sinners now and at the time of our death.

Pray for us O Holy Mother of God,

**That we may be made worthy of thy dear son's
death and resurrection.**

Let us pray. *(Silence)*

We thank thee, heavenly Father, that thou hast delivered us from the dominion of sin and death and brought us into the kingdom of thy Son; and we pray that, as by his death he has recalled us to life, so by his love he may raise us to eternal joys; who lives and reigns with thee, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

To Christ our Lord who loves us, and washed us in his own blood, and made us a kingdom of priests to serve his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The service as prepared is not intended always to be used in its entirety. For example, the scripture citations may be used, either the first, second, or both in place of the meditation or used only for individual reflection. The psalm can be included or omitted; the reproaches likewise. The Angelus might follow the service, precede it, or be omitted altogether. When the Angelus is included the Angelic greeting and the following versicle and response should not be included in the concluding prayers. Each hymn may be sung in its entirety, or just selected verses, or omitted as desired.

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The Reproaches

O my people, what have I done to you?

How have I hurt you? Answer me.

O my people, what have I done to you?

How have I hurt you? Answer me.

I led you out of Egypt,

From slavery I set you free.

I brought you into a land of promise:

You have prepared a cross for me.

O my people, what have I done to you?

How have I hurt you? Answer me.

I led you as a shepherd,

I brought you dryshod through the sea;

I fed you manna in the desert

You have prepared a cross for me.

O my people, what have I done to you?

How have I hurt you? Answer me.

I fought for you in battles,

I won you strength and victory;

Gave you a royal crown and sceptre:

You have prepared a cross for me.

O my people, what have I done to you?

How have I hurt you? Answer me.

I planted you, my vineyard,

And cared for you most tenderly;

Looked for abundant fruit and found none:

Only the cross you made for me.

O my people, what have I done to you?

How have I hurt you? Answer me.

Opening Devotions

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. **Amen.**

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Kyrie eleison

Christe eleison

Kyrie eleison

Officiant and People

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name,

thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into

temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

V. We will glory in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ:

R. In whom is our salvation, our life and resurrection.

Psalm 22. Deus, Deus meus.

MY God, my God, look upon me; why hast thou forsaken me?

* and art so far from my health, and from the words of my complaint?

2 O my God, I cry in the day-time, but thou hearest not;

* and in the night season also I take no rest.

3 And thou continuest holy,

* O thou Worship of Israel.

4 Our fathers hoped in thee;

* they trusted in thee, and thou didst deliver them.

5 They called upon thee, and were holpen;

* they put their trust in thee, and were not confounded.

6 But as for me, I am a worm, and no man;

* a very scorn of men, and the outcast of the people.

7 All they that see me laugh me to scorn;

* they shoot out their lips, and shake their heads, saying,

8 He trusted in the LORD, that he would deliver him;

* let him deliver him, if he will have him.

9 But thou art he that took me out of my mother's womb;

* thou wast my hope, when I hanged yet upon my mother's breasts.

10 I have been left unto thee ever since I was born;
* thou art my God even from my mother's womb.

11 O go not from me; for trouble is hard at hand,
* and there is none to help me.

12 Many oxen are come about me;
* fat bulls of Bashan close me in on every side.

13 They gape upon me with their mouths,
* as it were a ramping and a roaring lion.

14 I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint;
* my heart also in the midst of my body is even like melting wax.

15 My strength is dried up like a potsherd, and my tongue cleaveth to my gums,
* and thou bringest me into the dust of death.

16 For many dogs are come about me,
* and the council of the wicked layeth siege against me.

17 They pierced my hands and my feet: I may tell all my bones:
* they stand staring and looking upon me.

18 They part my garments among them,
* and cast lots upon my vesture.

19 But be not thou far from me, O Lord;
* thou art my succour, haste thee to help me.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
* As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Let us pray. *(Silence)*

Assist us mercifully with thy help, O Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts, whereby thou hast given us life and immortality; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Holy God
Holy and Mighty,
Holy Immortal One,
Have mercy upon us.**

**Agios O Theos,
Agios Eeskhrios,
Agios Athanatos,
Eleison imas.**

1 O sa - cred head, sore wound - ed, de - filed and put to scorn;
2 Thy beau - ty, long - de - sir - ed, hath va - nished from our sight;
3 In thy most bit - ter pas - sion my heart to share doth cry,
*4 What lan - guage shall I bor - row to thank thee, dear - est friend,
*5 My days are few, O fail not, with thine im - mor - tal power,

1 O king - ly head, sur - round - ed with mock - ing crown of thorn:
2 thy power is all ex - pir - ed, and quenched the light of light.
3 with thee for my sal - va - tion up - on the cross to die.
4 for this thy dy - ing sor - row, thy pi - ty with - out end?
5 to hold me that I quail not in death's most fear - ful hour;

1 what sor - row mars thy gran - deur? Can death thy bloom de - flower?
2 Ah me! for whom thou di - est, hide not so far thy grace:
3 Ah, keep my heart thus mov - ed to stand thy cross be - neath,
4 Oh, make me thine for - ev - er! and should I faint - ing be,
5 that I may fight be - friend - ed, and see in my last strife

1 O coun - te - nance whose splen - dor the hosts of heaven a - dore!
2 show me, O Love most high - est, the bright - ness of thy face.
3 to mourn thee, well - be - lov - ed, yet thank thee for thy death.
4 Lord, let me nev - er, nev - er, out - live my love for thee.
5 to me thine arms ex - tend - ed up - on the cross of life.

Fourteenth Station Jesus is laid in the tomb

We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee:

Because by thy holy cross thou hast redeemed the world.

John 19:41-42

Now in the place where he was crucified there was a garden; and in the garden a new sepulchre, wherein was never man yet laid. There laid they Jesus therefore because of the Jews' preparation day; for the sepulchre was nigh at hand.

Matthew 27:59-61

And when Joseph had taken the body, he wrapped it in a clean linen cloth, And laid it in his own new tomb, which he had hewn out in the rock: and he rolled a great stone to the door of the sepulchre, and departed. And there was Mary Magdalene, and the other Mary, sitting over against the sepulchre.

When it was evening, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who also was a disciple of Jesus. He went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then Pilate ordered it to be given to him. And Joseph took the body, and wrapped it in a clean linen shroud, and laid it in his own new tomb, which he had hewn in the rock; and he rolled a great stone to the door of the tomb.

V. Thou will not abandon me to the grave:

R. Nor let thy holy One see corruption.

Let us pray. *(Silence)*

O God, thy blessed Son was laid in a tomb in a garden, and rested on the Sabbath day: Grant that we who have been buried with him in the waters of baptism may find our perfect rest in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns for ever and ever. *Amen.*

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Holy and Mighty,
Holy Immortal One,
Have mercy upon us.**

**Agios O Theos,
Agios Eeskhrios,
Agios Athanatos,
Eleison imas.**



1 The King of love my shep-herd is, whose good-ness
2 Where streams of liv-ing wa-ter flow, my ran-somed
* 3 Per-verse and fool-ish oft I strayed, but yet in
* 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill with thee, dear
5 Thou spread'st a ta-ble in my sight; thy unc-tion
6 And so through all the length of days thy good-ness



1 fail-eth nev-er; I noth-ing lack if
2 soul he lead-eth, and where the ver-dant
3 love he sought me, and on his shoul-der
4 Lord, be-side me; thy rod and staff my
5 grace be-stow-eth; and oh, what trans-port
6 fail-eth nev-er: Good Shep-herd, may I



1 I am his, and he is mine for ev-er.
2 pas-tures grow, with food ce-les-tial feed-eth.
3 gent-ly laid, and home, re-joic-ing, brought me.
4 com-fort still, thy cross be-fore to guide me.
5 of de-light from thy pure chal-ice flow-eth!
6 sing thy praise with-in thy house for ev-er.

First Station Jesus is condemned to death

We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee:

Because by thy holy cross thou hast redeemed the world.

Luke. 23:1-2, 24

And the whole multitude of them arose, and led him unto Pilate. And they began to accuse him, saying, We found this fellow perverting the nation, and forbidding to give tribute to Caesar, saying that he himself is Christ a King. And Pilate gave sentence that it should be as they required.

Matthew 27:20, 22, 24

But the chief priests and elders persuaded the multitude that they should ask Barabbas, and destroy Jesus. Pilate saith unto them, What shall I do then with Jesus which is called Christ? They all say unto him, Let him be crucified. When Pilate saw that he could prevail nothing, but that rather a tumult was made, he took water, and washed his hands before the multitude, saying, I am innocent of the blood of this just person: see ye to it.

As soon as it was morning, the chief priests, with the elders and scribes, and the whole council, held a consultation; and they bound Jesus and led him away and delivered him to Pilate. And they all condemned him and said, "He deserves to die." When Pilate heard these words, he brought Jesus out and sat down on the judgment seat at a place called the Pavement, but in the Hebrew, Gabbatha. Then he handed Jesus over to them to be crucified.

V. God did not spare his own Son:

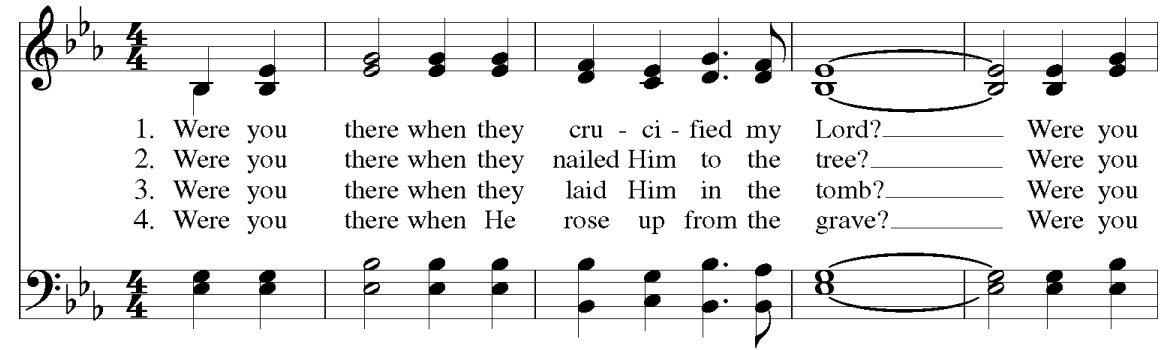
R. But delivered him up for us all.

Let us pray. *(Silence)*

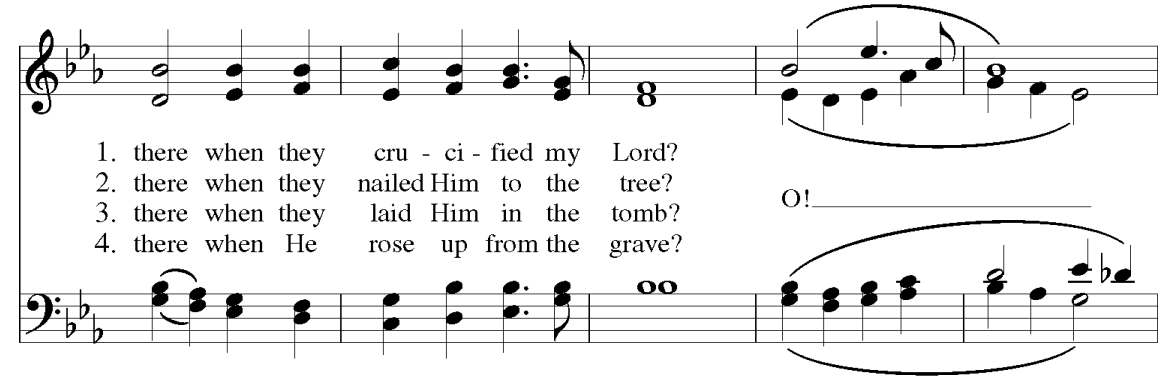
Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: Mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord. **Amen.**

**Holy God
Holy and Mighty,
Holy Immortal One,
Have mercy upon us.**

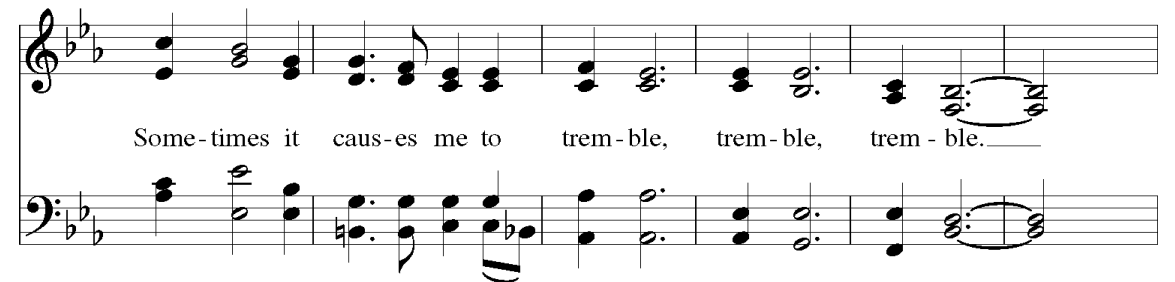
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Agios Eeskhrios,
Agios Athanatos,
Eleison imas.**



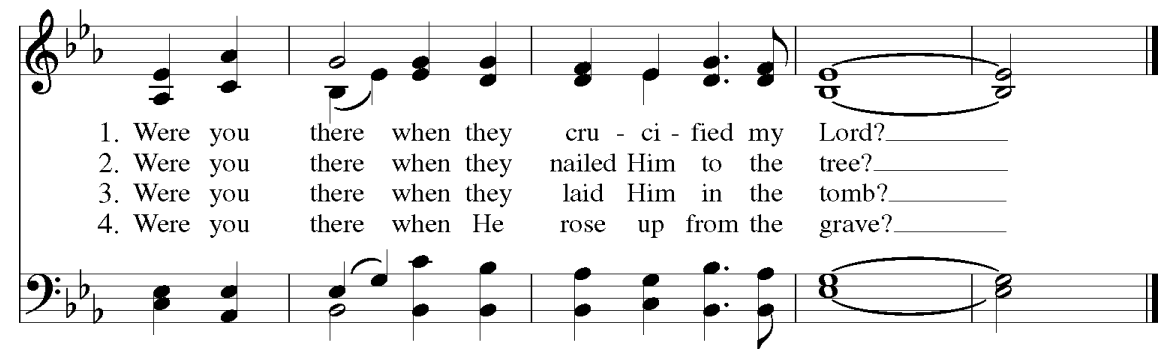
1. Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord? Were you
2. Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree? Were you
3. Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb? Were you
4. Were you there when He rose up from the grave? Were you



1. there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord?
2. there when they nailed Him to the tree?
3. there when they laid Him in the tomb?
4. there when He rose up from the grave? O!



Some-times it caus-es me to trem-ble, trem-ble, trem-ble.



1. Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord?
2. Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree?
3. Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb?
4. Were you there when He rose up from the grave?

Thirteenth Station Jesus is placed in the arms of Mary.

We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee:

Because by thy holy cross thou hast redeemed the world.

Luke 23:50-53

And, behold, there was a man named Joseph, a counsellor; and he was a good man, and a just: (The same had not consented to the counsel and deed of them;) he was of Arimathaea, a city of the Jews: who also himself waited for the kingdom of God. This man went unto Pilate, and begged the body of Jesus. And he took it down, and wrapped it in linen, and laid it in a sepulchre that was hewn in stone, wherein never man before was laid.

Mark 15:42-46

And now when the even was come, because it was the preparation, that is, the day before the sabbath, Joseph of Arimathaea, and honourable counsellor, which also waited for the kingdom of God, came, and went in boldly unto Pilate, and craved the body of Jesus. And Pilate marvelled if he were already dead: and calling unto him the centurion, he asked him whether he had been any while dead. And when he knew it of the centurion, he gave the body to Joseph. And he bought fine linen, and took him down, and wrapped him in the linen, and laid him in a sepulchre which was hewn out of a rock, and rolled a stone unto the door of the sepulchre.

All you who pass by, behold and see if there is any sorrow like my sorrow. My eyes are spent with weeping; my soul is in tumult; my heart is poured out in grief because of the downfall of my people. "Do not call me Naomi (which means Pleasant), call me Mara (which means Bitter); for the Almighty has dealt very bitterly with me."

V. Her tears run down her cheeks:

R. And she has none to comfort her.

Let us pray. *(Silence)*

Lord Jesus Christ, by thy death thou took away the sting of death: Grant to us thy servants so to follow in faith where thou hast led the way, that we may at length fall asleep peacefully in thee and wake up in thy likeness; for thy tender mercies' sake. **Amen.**

**Holy God
Holy and Mighty,
Holy Immortal One,
Have mercy upon us.**

**Agios O Theos,
Agios Eeskhrios,
Agios Athanatos,
Eleison imas.**

1 Go to dark Geth - se - ma - ne, ye that feel the tempt-er's power;
2 Fol - low to the judg - ment hall; view the Lord of life ar - rained;
3 Cal-vary's mourn - ful moun - tain climb; there, a - dor - ing at his feet,

your Re-deem - er's con - flict see, watch with him one bit - ter hour;
O the worm-wood and the gall! O the pangs his soul sus - tained!
mark the mir - a - cle of time, God's own sac - ri - fice com - plete;

turn not from his griefs a - way, learn of Je - sus Christ to pray.
Shun not suf - fering, shame, or loss; learn of him to bear the cross.
"It is fi - nished!" hear him cry; learn of Je - sus Christ to die.

Second Station Jesus takes up his Cross

We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee:

Because by thy holy cross thou hast redeemed the world.

Matthew 27:27-31:

Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the common hall, and gathered unto him the whole band of soldiers. And they stripped him, and put on him a scarlet robe. And when they had platted a crown of thorns, they put it upon his head, and a reed in his right hand: and they bowed the knee before him, and mocked him, saying, Hail, King of the Jews! And they spit upon him, and took the reed, and smote him on the head. And after that they had mocked him, they took the robe off from him, and put his own raiment on him, and led him away to crucify him.

Matthew 16:24-26

Then said Jesus unto his disciples, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me. For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: and whosoever will lose his life for my sake shall find it. For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul? Jesus went out, bearing his own cross, to the place called the place of a skull, which is called in Hebrew, Golgotha.

Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered. Like a lamb he was led to the slaughter; and like a sheep that before its shearers is mute, so he opened not his mouth. Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and riches and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and blessing.

V. The Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all:

R. For the transgression of my people was he stricken.

Let us pray. *(Silence)*

Almighty God, whose beloved Son willingly endured the agony and shame of the cross for our redemption: Give us courage to take up our cross and follow him; who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

**Holy God
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Holy Immortal One,
Have mercy upon us.**

**Agios O Theos,
Agios Eeskhrrios,
Agios Athanatos,
Eleison imas.**

1 Ah, ho - ly Je - sus, how hast thou of - fend - ed, that man to
2 Who was the guilt - y? Who brought this up - on thee? A - las, my
3 Lo, the Good Shep - herd for the sheep is of - fered; the slave hath
4 For me, kind Je - sus, was thy in - car - na - tion, thy mor - tal
5 There - fore, kind Je - sus, since I can - not pay thee, I do a -

1 judge thee hath in hate pre - tend - ed? By foes de - rid - ed,
2 trea - son, Je - sus, hath un - done thee. 'Twas I, Lord Je - sus,
3 sin - ned, and the Son hath suf - fered; for our a - tone - ment,
4 sor - row, and thy life's ob - la - tion; thy death of an - guish
5 dore thee, and will ev - er pray thee, think on thy pi - ty

1 by thine own re - ject - ed, O most af - flict - ed.
2 I it was de - nied thee: I cru - ci - fied thee.
3 while we noth - ing heed - ed, God in - ter - ced - ed.
4 and thy bit - ter pas - sion, for my sal - va - tion.
5 and thy love un - swerv - ing, not my de - serv - ing.

.Twelfth Station Jesus dies on the Cross

We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee:

Because by thy holy cross thou hast redeemed the world.

Mark 15:33-37

And when the sixth hour was come, there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour. And at the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani? which is, being interpreted, My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me? And some of them that stood by, when they heard it, said, Behold, he calleth Elias. And one ran and filled a sponge full of vinegar, and put it on a reed, and gave him to drink, saying, Let alone; let us see whether Elias will come to take him down. And Jesus cried with a loud voice, and gave up the ghost.

Matthew 27:45-46, 50

Now from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land unto the ninth hour. And about the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani? that is to say, My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me? Jesus, when he had cried again with a loud voice, yielded up the ghost.

When Jesus saw his mother, and the disciple whom he loved standing near, he said to his mother, “Woman, behold thy son!” Then he said to the disciple, “Behold thy mother!” And when Jesus had received the vinegar, he said, “It is finished!” And then, crying with a loud voice, he said, Father, into thy hands I commend my Ghost.” **(ALL KNEEL and observe silence)**
And he bowed his head, and handed over his Ghost.

V. Christ for us became obedient unto death:

R. Even death on a cross.

Let us pray. *(Silence)*

O God, who for our redemption gave thy only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection delivered us from the power of our enemy: Grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his resurrection; who lives and reigns now and for ever.

Amen.

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**Agios O Theos,
Agios Eeskhris,
Agios Athanatos,
Eleison imas.**

1 When I sur - vey the won - drous cross where the young
2 For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the
3 See, from his head, his hands, his feet sor - row and
4 Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, that were an

Prince of Glo - ry died, my rich - est gain I
cross of Christ, my God: all the vain things that
love flow min - gled down! Did e'er such love and
of - fering far too small; love so a - maz - ing,

count but loss, and pour con - tempt on all my pride.
charm me most, I sac - ri - fice them to his blood.
sor - row meet, or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?
so di - vine, de - mands my soul, my life, my all.

Third Station Jesus falls the first time

We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee:

Because by thy holy cross thou hast redeemed the world.

Isaiah 53:4-7

Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows; yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted. But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the LORD hath laid on him the iniquity of us all. He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth: he is brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so he openeth not his mouth.

Matthew 4:1, 5-7

1: Then was Jesus led up of the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted of the devil. Then the devil taketh him up into the holy city, and setteth him on a pinnacle of the temple, And saith unto him, If thou be the Son of God, cast thyself down: for it is written, He shall give his angels charge concerning thee: and in their hands they shall bear thee up, lest at any time thou dash thy foot against a stone. Jesus said unto him, It is written again, Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God.

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped; but emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, and was born in human likeness. And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him, and bestowed on him the name which is above every name. Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, and kneel before the Lord our Maker, for he is the Lord our God.

V. Surely he has borne our griefs:


R. And carried our sorrows.

Let us pray. *(Silence)*


O God, thou know us to be set in the midst of so many and great dangers, that by reason of the frailty of our nature we cannot always stand upright: Grant us such strength and protection as may support us in all dangers, and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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1 Sing, my tongue, the glo - rious bat - tle; of the might - y con - flict
2 Thir - ty years a - mong us dwell - ing, his ap - point - ed time ful -
3 He en - dures the nails, the spit - ting, vin - e - gar, and spear, and
4 Faith - ful cross! a - bove all o - ther, one and on - ly no - ble
5 Bend thy boughs, O tree of glo - ry! Thy re - lax - ing sin - ews
*6 Praise and hon - or to the Fa - ther, praise and hon - or to the



1 sing; tell the tri - umph of the vic - tim, to his
2 filled, born for this, he meets his pas - sion, this the
3 reed; from that ho - ly bo - dy bro - ken blood and
4 tree! None in fo - liage, none in blos - som, none in
5 bend; for a - while the an - cient ri - gor that thy
6 Son, praise and hon - or to the Spi - rit, ev - er



1 cross thy tri - bute bring. Je - sus Christ, the world's Re -
2 Sa - vior free - ly willed: on the cross the Lamb is
3 wa - ter forth pro - ceed: earth, and stars, and sky, and
4 fruit thy peer may be: sweet - est wood and sweet - est
5 birth be - stowed, sus - pend; and the King of heaven - ly
6 Three and ev - er One: one in might and one in



1 deem - er from that cross now reigns as King.
2 lift - ed, where his pre - cious blood is spilled.
3 o - cean, by that flood from stain are freed.
4 i - ron! sweet - est weight is hung on thee.
5 beau - ty gent - ly on thine arms ex - tend.
6 glo - ry while e - ter - nal a - ges run.

Eleventh Station Jesus is nailed to the Cross

We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee:

Because by thy holy cross thou hast redeemed the world.

Luke 23:33-34

And when they were come to the place, which is called Calvary, there they crucified him, and the malefactors, one on the right hand, and the other on the left. Then said Jesus, Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do. And they parted his raiment, and cast lots.

Matthew 27:33-37

And when they were come unto a place called Golgotha, that is to say, a place of a skull, They gave him vinegar to drink mingled with gall: and when he had tasted thereof, he would not drink. And they crucified him, and parted his garments, casting lots: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, They parted my garments among them, and upon my vesture did they cast lots. And sitting down they watched him there; And set up over his head his accusation written, THIS IS JESUS THE KING OF THE JEWS.

When they came to the place which is called The Skull, there they crucified him; and with him they crucified two criminals, one on the right, the other on the left, and Jesus between them. And the scripture was fulfilled which says, "He was numbered with the transgressors."

V. They pierce my hands and my feet:

R. They stare and gloat over me.

Let us pray. *(Silence)*

Lord Jesus Christ, thou stretched out thy arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of thy saving embrace: So clothe us in thy Ghost that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know thee to the knowledge and love of thee; for the honor of thy Name. **Amen.**

**Holy God
Holy and Mighty,
Holy Immortal One,
Have mercy upon us.**

**Agios O Theos,
Agios Eeskhrios,
Agios Athanatos,
Eleison imas.**

1 Je - sus, all my glad - ness, my re - pose in sad - ness,
2 Hence with earth - ly trea - sure: thou art all my plea - sure,
3 Flee, dark clouds that low - er, for my joy be - stow - er,

Je - sus, heaven to me, ah, my heart long plain - eth, ah, my spi - rit
Je - sus, my de - sire! Hence, for pomps I care not, e'en as though they
Je - sus, en - ters in! Joy from tri - bu - la - tion, hope from des - o -

strain - eth, long - eth af - ter thee! Thine I am, O ho - ly Lamb;
were not rank and for - tune's hire. Want and gloom, cross, death and tomb;
la - tion, they who love God win. Be it blame or scorn or shame,

on - ly where thou art is plea - sure, thee a - lone I trea - sure.
nought that I may suf - fer ev - er shall from Je - sus sev - er.
thou art with me in earth's sad - ness, Je - sus, all my glad - ness!

Fourth Station Jesus meets his afflicted mother

We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee:

Because by thy holy cross thou hast redeemed the world.

Isaiah 66:10, 12-14

Rejoice ye with Jerusalem, and be glad with her, all ye that love her: rejoice for joy with her, all ye that mourn for her: For thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will extend peace to her like a river, and the glory of the Gentiles like a flowing stream: then shall ye suck, ye shall be borne upon her sides, and be dandled upon her knees. As one whom his mother comforteth, so will I comfort you; and ye shall be comforted in Jerusalem. And when ye see this, your heart shall rejoice, and your bones shall flourish like an herb: and the hand of the LORD shall be known toward his servants, and his indignation toward his enemies.

Matthew 12:46-50

While Jesus yet talked to the people, behold, his mother and his brethren stood without, desiring to speak with him. Then one said unto him, Behold, thy mother and thy brethren stand without, desiring to speak with thee. But he answered and said unto him that told him, Who is my mother? and who are my brethren? And he stretched forth his hand toward his disciples, and said, Behold my mother and my brethren! For whosoever shall do the will of my Father which is in heaven, the same is my brother, and sister, and mother.

To what can I liken thee, to what can I compare thee, O daughter of Jerusalem? What likeness can I use to comfort thee, O virgin daughter of Zion? For vast as the sea is thy ruin. Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. The Lord will be thy everlasting light, and thy days of mourning shall be ended.

V. A sword will pierce thy own soul also:

R. And fill thy heart with bitter pain.

Let us pray. *(Silence)*

O God, who willed that in the passion of thy Son a sword of grief should pierce the soul of the Blessed Virgin Mary his mother: Mercifully grant that thy Church, having shared with her in his passion, may be made worthy to share in the joys of his resurrection; who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

Amen.

**Holy God
Holy and Mighty,
Holy Immortal One,
Have mercy upon us.**

**Agios O Theos,
Agios Eeskhrios,
Agios Athanatos,
Eleison imas.**

1 To mock your reign, O dear - est Lord, they made a crown of thorns;
2 In mock ac - claim, O gra - cious Lord, they snatched a pur - ple cloak,
3 A scep - tered reed, O pa - tient Lord, they thrust in - to your hand,

set you with taunts a - long that road from which no one re - turns.
your pas - sion turned, for all they cared, in - to a sol - dier's joke.
and act - ed out their grim cha - rade to its ap - point - ed end.

They did not know, as we do now, that glo - rious is your crown;
They did not know, as we do now, that though we mer - it blame
They did not know, as we do now, though em - pires rise and fall,

that thorns would flower up - on your brow, your sor - rows heal our own.
you will your robe of mer - cy throw a - round our na - ked shame.
your King - dom shall not cease to grow till love em - bra - ces all.

**The bracketed notes are to be treated as triplet groups.*

Tenth Station Jesus is stripped of his garments

We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee:

Because by thy holy cross thou hast redeemed the world.

Mark 15:22-24

And they bring him unto the place Golgotha, which is, being interpreted, The place of a skull. And they gave him to drink wine mingled with myrrh: but he received it not. And when they had crucified him, they parted his garments, casting lots upon them, what every man should take.

John 19:23-24

Then the soldiers, when they had crucified Jesus, took his garments, and made four parts, to every soldier a part; and also his coat: now the coat was without seam, woven from the top throughout. They said therefore among themselves, Let us not rend it, but cast lots for it, whose it shall be: that the scripture might be fulfilled, which saith, They parted my raiment among them, and for my vesture they did cast lots. These things therefore the soldiers did.

When they came to a place called Golgotha (which means the place of a skull), they offered him wine to drink, mingled with gall; but when he tasted it, he would not drink it. And they divided his garments among them by casting lots. This was to fulfill the scripture which says, “They divided my garments among them; they cast lots for my clothing.”

V. They gave me gall to eat:

R. And when I was thirsty they gave me vinegar to drink.

Let us pray. (*Silence*)

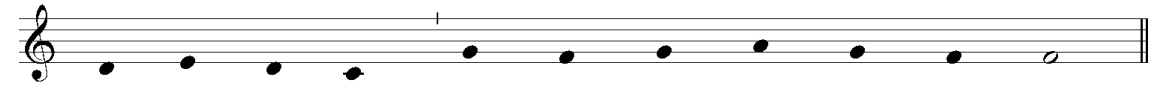
Lord God, whose blessed Son our Savior gave his body to be whipped and his face to be spit upon: Give us grace to accept joyfully the sufferings of the present time, confident of the glory that shall be revealed; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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**Agios O Theos,
Agios Eeskhrios,
Agios Athanatos,
Eleison imas.**



1 At the cross her vig - il keep - ing, stood the mourn - ful
2 With what pain and de - so - la - tion, with what grief and
3 Him she saw for our sal - va - tion mocked with cru - el
4 Who, on Christ's dear mo - ther gaz - ing, pierced by an - guish
5 Je - sus, may her deep de - vo - tion stir in me the



1 mo - ther weep - ing, where he hung, the dy - ing Lord:
2 res - ig - na - tion, Mar - y watched her dy - ing son.
3 ac - cla - ma - tion, scourged, and crowned with thorns en - twined;
4 so a - maz - ing, born of wo - man, would not weep?
5 same e - mo - tion, Fount of love, Re - deem - er kind;



1 there she wait - ed in her an - guish, see - ing Christ in
2 Deep the woe of her af - flic - tion, when she saw the
3 saw him then from judg - ment tak - en, and in death by
4 Who, on Christ's dear mo - ther think - ing, such a cup of
5 that my heart fresh ar - dor gain - ing, and a pur - er



1 tor - ment lan - guish, in her heart the pierc - ing sword.
2 cru - ci - fi - xion of the sole - be - got - ten one.
3 all for - sak - en, till his spi - rit he re - signed.
4 sor - row drink - ing, would not share her sor - rows deep?
5 love at - tain - ing, may with thee ac - cept - ance find.

Fifth Station The Cross is laid on Simon of Cyrene

We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee:

Because by thy holy cross thou hast redeemed the world.

Luke 23: 26

And as they led him away, they laid hold upon one Simon, a Cyrenian, coming out of the country, and on him they laid the cross, that he might bear it after Jesus.

Matthew 27:30-32

And they spit upon him, and took the reed, and smote him on the head. And after that they had mocked him, they took the robe off from him, and put his own raiment on him, and led him away to crucify him. And as they came out, they found a man of Cyrene, Simon by name: him they compelled to bear his cross.

As they led Jesus away, they came upon a man of Cyrene, Simon by name, who was coming in from the country, and laid on him the cross to carry it behind Jesus. "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

V. Whoever does not bear his own cross and come after me:

R. Cannot be my disciple.

Let us pray. *(Silence)*

Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son came not to be served but to serve: Bless all who, following in his steps, give themselves to the service of others; that with wisdom, patience, and courage, they may minister in his Name to the suffering, the friendless, and the needy; for the love of him who laid down his life for us, thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

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**Agios O Theos,
Agios Eeskhrios,
Agios Athanatos,
Eleison imas.**

1 A - lone thou go - est forth, O Lord, in
2 Our sins, not thine, thou bear - est, Lord; make
3 This is earth's dark - est hour, but thou dost
4 Grant us with thee to suf - fer pain that,

sac - ri - fice to die; is this thy sor - row
us thy sor - row feel, till through our pit - y
light and life re - store; then let all praise be
as we share this hour, thy cross may bring us

nought to us who pass un - heed - ing by?
and our shame love an - swers love's ap - peal.
giv - en thee who liv - est ev - er - more.
to thy joy and re - sur - rec - tion power.

Ninth Station Jesus falls a third time

We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee:

Because by thy holy cross thou hast redeemed the world.

John 12:25-26

He that loveth his life shall lose it; and he that hateth his life in this world shall keep it unto life eternal. If any man serve me, let him follow me; and where I am, there shall also my servant be: if any man serve me, him will my Father honour.

Matthew 10:28-29, 31

And fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a farthing? and one of them shall not fall on the ground without your Father. Fear ye not therefore, ye are of more value than many sparrows.

I am the man who has seen affliction under the rod of his wrath; he has driven and brought me into darkness without any light. He has besieged me and enveloped me with bitterness and tribulation; he has made me dwell in darkness like the dead of long ago. Though I call and cry for help, he shuts out my prayer. He has made my teeth grind on gravel, and made me cower in ashes. "Remember, O Lord, my affliction and bitterness, the wormwood and the gall!"

V. He was led like a lamb to the slaughter:

**R. And like a sheep that before its shearers is mute,
so he opened not his mouth.**

Let us pray. *(Silence)*

O God, by the passion of thy blessed Son thou made an instrument of shameful death to be for us the means of life: Grant us so to glory in the cross of Christ, that we may gladly suffer shame and loss for the sake of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

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**Agios O Theos,
Agios Eeskhris,
Agios Athanatos,
Eleison imas.**

1 In the cross of Christ I glo - ry, tower - ing
2 When the woes of life o'er - take me, hopes de -
3 When the sun of bliss is beam - ing light and
4 Bane and bless - ing, pain and plea - sure, by the
*5 In the cross of Christ I glo - ry, tower - ing

1 o'er the wrecks of time; all the light of
2 ceive, and fears an - noy, nev - er shall the
3 love up - on my way, from the cross the
4 cross are sanc - ti - fied; peace is there that
5 o'er the wrecks of time; all the light of

1 sa - cred sto - ry gath - ers round its head sub - lime.
2 cross for - sake me: lo, it glows with peace and joy.
3 ra - diance stream - ing adds new lus - ter to the day.
4 knows no mea - sure, joys that through all time a - bide.
5 sa - cred sto - ry gath - ers round its head sub - lime.

Sixth Station Veronica wipes the face of Jesus

We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee:

Because by thy holy cross thou hast redeemed the world.

Sirach 6:14-17

A faithful friend is a strong defence: and he that hath found such an one hath found a treasure. Nothing doth countervail a faithful friend, and his excellency is invaluable. A faithful friend is the medicine of life; and they that fear the Lord shall find him. Whoso feareth the Lord shall direct his friendship aright: for as he is, so shall his neighbour be also.

Matthew 26:7-12

There came unto him a woman having an alabaster box of very precious ointment, and poured it on his head, as he sat at meat. But when his disciples saw it, they had indignation, saying, To what purpose is this waste? For this ointment might have been sold for much, and given to the poor. When Jesus understood it, he said unto them, Why trouble ye the woman? for she hath wrought a good work upon me. For ye have the poor always with you; but me ye have not always. For in that she hath poured this ointment on my body, she did it for my burial.

We have seen him without beauty or majesty, with no looks to attract our eyes. He was despised and rejected by men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief; and as one from whom men hide their faces, he was despised, and we esteemed him not. His appearance was so marred, beyond human semblance, and his form beyond that of the children of men. But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that made us whole, and with his stripes we are healed.

V. Restore us, O Lord God of hosts:

R. Show the light of thy countenance, and we shall be saved.

Let us pray. *(Silence)*

O God, who before the passion of thy only-begotten Son revealed his glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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**Agios O Theos,
Agios Eeskhrrios,
Agios Athanatos,
Eleison imas.**

1 Be - neath the cross of Je - sus I fain would take my stand,
2 Up - on the cross of Je - sus mine eyes at times can see
3 I take, O cross, thy sha-dow for my a - bid - ing place;

the sha - dow of a might - y rock with - in a wea - ry land,
the ve - ry dy - ing form of one who suf - fered there for me;
I ask no o - ther sun - shine than the sun - shine of his face;

a home with - in the wil - der - ness, a rest up - on the way,
and from my smit - ten heart with tears two won - ders I con - fess:
con - tent to let my pride go by, to know no gain nor loss,

from the burn - ing of the noon - tide heat, and the bur - den of the day.
the won - ders of re - deem - ing love, and my un - wor - thi - ness.
my sin - ful self my on - ly shame, my glo - ry all the cross.

Eighth Station Jesus meets the women of Jerusalem

We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee:

Because by thy holy cross thou hast redeemed the world.

Luke 23:27-28

And there followed him a great company of people, and of women, which also bewailed and lamented him. But Jesus turning unto them said, Daughters of Jerusalem, weep not for me, but weep for yourselves, and for your children.

Matthew 23:37-39

O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, thou that killest the prophets, and stonest them which are sent unto thee, how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings, and ye would not! Behold, your house is left unto you desolate. For I say unto you, Ye shall not see me henceforth, till ye shall say, Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

There followed after Jesus a great multitude of the people, and among them were women who bewailed and lamented him. But Jesus turning to them said, “Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children

V. Those who sowed with tears:

R. Will reap with songs of joy.

Let us pray. *(Silence)*

Teach thy Church, O Lord, to mourn the sins of which it is guilty, and to repent and forsake them; that, by thy pardoning grace, the results of our iniquities may not be visited upon our children and our children’s children; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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**Agios O Theos,
Agios Eeskhrrios,
Agios Athanatos,
Eleison imas.**



1 O love, how deep, how broad, how high, how pass - ing
2 For us bap - tized, for us he bore his ho - ly
3 For us he prayed; for us he taught; for us his
4 For us to wick - ed hands be - trayed, scourged, mocked, in
5 For us he rose from death a - gain; for us he
6 All glo - ry to our Lord and God for love so



1 thought and fan - ta - sy, that God, the Son of
2 fast and hun - gered sore; for us temp - ta - tions
3 dai - ly works he wrought: by words and signs and
4 pur - ple robe ar - rayed, he bore the shame - ful
5 went on high to reign; for us he sent his
6 deep, so high, so broad; the Trin - i - ty whom



1 God, should take our mor - tal form for mor - tals' sake.
2 sharp he knew; for us the tempt - er ov - er - threw.
3 ac - tions, thus still seek - ing not him - self, but us.
4 cross and death; for us gave up his dy - ing breath.
5 Spi - rit here to guide, to strength - en, and to cheer.
6 we a - dore for ev - er and for ev - er - more.

Seventh Station Jesus falls a second time

We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee:

Because by thy holy cross thou hast redeemed the world.

Jeremiah 1:17-19

Thou therefore gird up thy loins, and arise, and speak unto them all that I command thee: be not dismayed at their faces, lest I confound thee before them. For, behold, I have made thee this day a defenced city, and an iron pillar, and brasen walls against the whole land, against the kings of Judah, against the princes thereof, against the priests thereof, and against the people of the land. And they shall fight against thee; but they shall not prevail against thee; for I am with thee, saith the LORD, to deliver thee.

Matthew 4:8-11

Again, the devil taketh him up into an exceeding high mountain, and sheweth him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them; And saith unto him, All these things will I give thee, if thou wilt fall down and worship me. Then saith Jesus unto him, Get thee hence, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve. Then the devil leaveth him, and, behold, angels came and ministered unto him.

Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all. He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth. For the transgression of my people was he stricken.

V. But as for me, I am a worm and no man:

R. Scorned by all and despised by the people.

Let us pray. (*Silence*)

Almighty and everliving God, in thy tender love for the human race thou sent thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ to take upon him our nature, and to suffer death upon the cross, giving us the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant that we may walk in the way of his suffering, and also share in his resurrection; who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

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**Agios O Theos,
Agios Eeskhrios,
Agios Athanatos,
Eleison imas.**

1. They cru - ci - fied my Lord, and He nev - er said a mum - ba - lin'
2. They nailed Him to a tree, and He nev - er said a mum - ba - lin'

1. word; They cru - ci - fied my Lord, and He nev - er said a mum - ba - lin'
2. word; They nailed Him to a tree, and He nev - er said a mum - ba - lin'

1. word. Not a word, not a word, not a word.
2. word; Not a word, not a word, not a word.

3. They pierced Him in the side.
4. The blood came streamin' down.
5. He hung His head and died.