

Original Melodies - Stichera of Vespers and Lauds

23.

Grave Mode. When You had Wisely Despised.

When you had wise - ly de - spised eve-ry - thing on earth

O ho - ly mar-tyr Saints and had cou - ra geous -ly ac-knowl- edged

Christ in the sta-di - um in re - turn for the tor - tures you re-

- ceived your re - wards from Him Now that you have ae quired ac cess to

God the om - ni - po-tent we be- seech you most fer vent -ly to en-

- treat Him in ear - nest to save the souls of us sin - ners who

flee to you

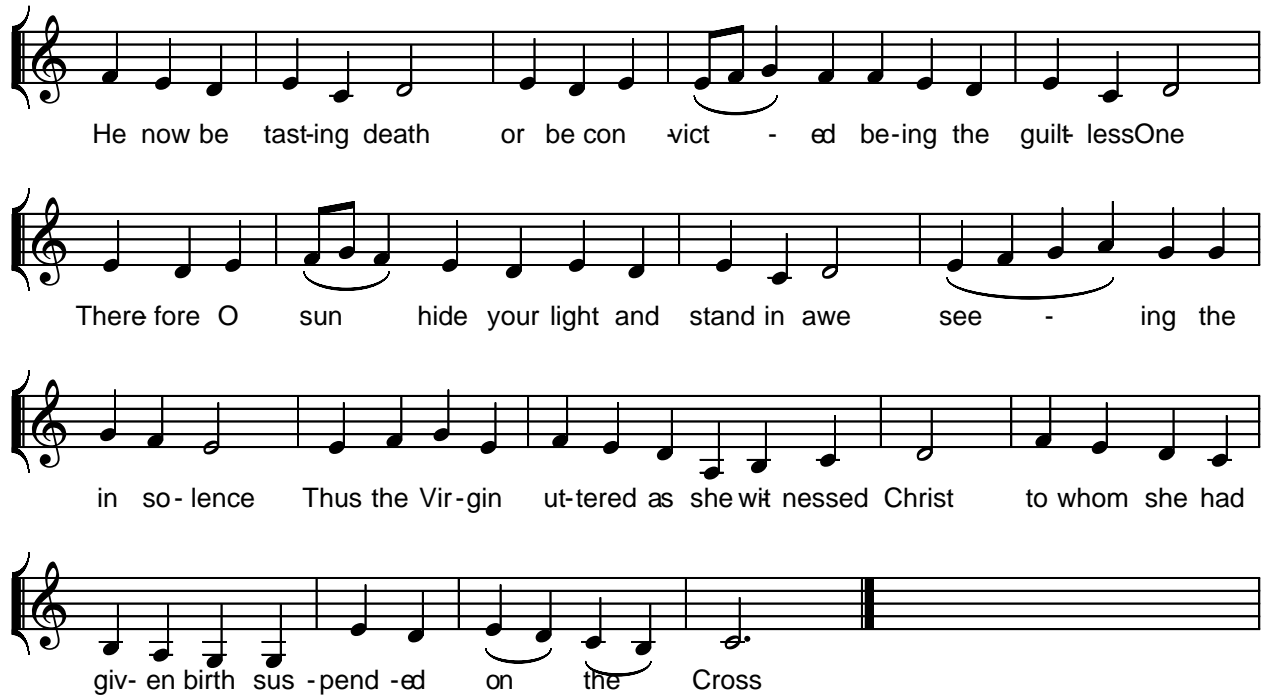
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Mode Pl. IV. What a Paradoxal Miracle.

What a par - a - dox - al mir - a - cle Oh aw - ful mys - ter - y oh How can

He now be cru - ci - fied who by na - ture can - not die How can

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He now be tast-ing death or be con - vict - ed be-ing the guilt-less One

There fore O sun hide your light and stand in awe see - ing the

in so-lence Thus the Vir-gin ut-tered as she wit-nessed Christ to whom she had

giv-en birth sus-pend-ed on the Cross



25.

Mode Pl. IV. What are We to Call You.



What are we to call you O ho-ly ones Che-ru-bim in-as-much as

Christ has found re pose in you Ser-a-phim for with out

ceas-ing you were glo-ri-fy-ing Him Or An-gels from the

bod-y you had turned a way Or Pow-ers you are ac-tive do-ing

mir-a-cles Your names are ma-ny and great-er are the