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But God is our King before the ages; He worked sal - va-tion in the

8 midst of the earth. The sup - port of the Church are you, and the

⁸strength of the em-per-ors; boast of the mo - nas - tics and their de-

8 - liv - er - ance are you, all - ven - 'ra - ble Cross of Christ. And now

8 as we ven-er-ate you to - day, our hearts and souls are il-

8 - lu - mined in - ef - fa - bly by the grace di - vine of the

Lord who was nailed to you and brought down the do - min-ion of the

8 sly one, and who a - bol - ished the an-cient curse.