



1. When the Pa-triarch was re-turn-ing Crowned with tri-umph  
 2. On the truth thus dim-ly sha-dowed La-ter days a  
 3. Won-drous Gift! The Word who fash-ioned All things by his  
 4. He who once to die a Vic-tim On the cross did  
 5. While the peo-ple all u-nit-ing In the sac-ri-



from the fray, Him the peace-ful king of Sa-lem  
 lus-ter shed; When the great high-Priest e-ter-nal,  
 might di-vine, Bread in-to his bo-dy chang-es,  
 not re-fuse, Day by day up-on our al-tars,  
 fice sub-lime Of-fer Christ to his high Fa-ther,



Came to meet up-on his way; Meek-ly bear-ing  
 Un-der form of wine and bread, For the world's im-  
 In-to his own blood the wine; What though sense no  
 That same Sac-ri-fice re-news; Through his ho-ly  
 Of-fer up them-selves with him; Then to-geth-er



bread and wine, Ho-ly Priesthood's awe-ful sign.  
 mor-tal food Gave his flesh and gave his blood.  
 change per-ceives, Faith ad-mires, a-dores, be-lieves.  
 priest-hood's hands, Faith-ful to his last com-mands.  
 with the priest On the liv-ing Vic-tim feast.

*Hoste dum victo triumphans*

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