Vexilla regis prodeunt

Venantius Fortunatus (530-609)  
Cantus  
Pierre de la Rue (c. 1452 – 1518)

1. 

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Fulget Crucis my-stey-ri

2. 

3. Quo vul-ne-ra tus in-su-

4. Imp-ple ta sunt quae con-ci-

5. Arbor de-co-ra et ful-gi-

6. Be-a-ta, cu-ius bra-chi-

1. unt, 

3. per 

mu-cro-ne di-ro lan-ce-

4. nit 

Da-vi-de li car-mi-

5. da, 

or-na-ta Re-gis pur-

6. is 

pre-ti-um pe-pen-dit sae-

1. um, 

3. ae, 

ut nos la-va-ret cri-

4. ne, 

di-cen-do na-ti-o-

5. ra, 

e-lec-ta di-gno sti-

6. li: 

sta-te-ra fac-ta cor-

7. Confixa clavis viscera 

tendens manus, vestigia,  

redemptionis gratia 

hic immolata est hostia.

8. Salve, ara, salve, victima, 

de passionis gloria,  

qua vita mortem pertulit

et morte vitam reddidit.

9. O Crux ave, spes unica, 

hoc Passionis tempore!

piis adaugo gratiam,

reisque dele crimina.

10. Te, fons salutis Trinitas, 

collaudei omnis spiritus: 

quos per Crucis mysterium 

salvas, fove per saecula.

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Translation:

1 Abroad the regal banners fly,
   now shines the Cross's mystery:
   upon it Life did death endure,
   and yet by death did life procure.

2 Behold! The nails with anguish fierce,
   His outstretched arms and vitals pierce:
   Here our redemption to obtain,
   The Mighty Sacrifice is slain.

3 Who, wounded with a direful spear,
   did purposely to wash us clear
   from stain of sin, pour out a flood
   of precious water mixed with blood.

4 That which the prophet-king of old
   hath in mysterious verse foretold,
   is now accomplished, whilst we see
   God ruling the nations from a Tree.

5 O lovely and refulgent Tree,
   adorned with purpled majesty;
   culled from a worthy stock, to bear
   those limbs which sanctified were.

6 Blest Tree, whose happy branches bore
   the wealth that did the world restore;
   the beam that did that Body weigh
   which raised up Hell's expected prey.

7 You pour out a sweet scent from your bark
   Your victory comes with the odour of nectar,
   Rejoicing in your fertile fruit
   You cheer in noble triumph.

8 Hail wondrous Altar! Victim hail!
   Thy Glorious Passion shall avail!
   Where death Life's very Self endured,
   Yet life by that same Death secured.

9 Hail Cross, of hopes the most sublime!
   Now, in the mournful Passion time;
   grant to the just increase of grace,
   and every sinner's crimes efface.

10 Blest Trinity, salvation's spring
   may every soul Thy praises sing;
   to those Thou grantest conquest by
   the Holy Cross, rewards supply.

Translation by Walter Kirkham Blount (d 1717) except verses 2, 7, and 8, which are not used liturgically. 2 and 8 are from choralwiki, and 7 is from <http://www.recmusic.org/lieder/get_text.html?TextId=90742>.

Verses 9 and 10 were not by Fortunatus, but gradually replaced 7 and 8 after the 10th century; verse 2 was retained in the breviary although not used in the liturgy.

So it probably does not make sense to perform all 10 verses. Either do 1, 3-6, 9, 10 if you’re trying for the hymn as de la Rue probably knew it, or do 1-8 if you want it as Fortunatus wrote it.
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1 2 3 4

1. Ve - xi - la re - gis prod - e - unt;
2. Ful get Cru - cis my - ste - ri - um, Quo car - ne car - nis Con -
3. - - um, Quo car - ne car - nis Con -
4. - - ae, ut nos la - va - ret cri -
5. - - ra, e - - lec - - ta di - gno sti -
6. - - li: sta - - te - ra fac - ta cor -

Confixa clavis viscera
qu'a vita mortem pertulit
tendens manus, vestigia
et morte vitam reddidit.
redemptionis gratia
hic immolata est hostia.

Fundis aroma cortice,
piis adauge gratiam,
vincis sapore nectarae,
reisque dele crimina.
iucunda fructu fertili
Te, fons salutis Trinitas,
plaudis triumpho nobili.
collaudet omnis spiritus:
Salve, ara, salve, victima,
quos per Crucis mysterium
de passionis gloria,
salvas, fove per saecula.

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Venantius Fortunatus (530-609)
1 2 3 4

1. Ve-xil-la re-gis pro-de-unt,
2. Quo vul-ne-ra tus in-su-per
3. Im-ple-ta sunt quae con-ci-nit
4. Arbor de-co-ra et ful-gi-da,
5. Be-a-ta, cu-ius bra-chi-is
8. O Crux ave, spes unica, hoc Passionis tempore!

Bassus

Pierre de la Rue (c. 1452 – 1518)
1 2 3 4

1. Ful-get Cru-cis my-ste-ri-um,
2. mi-cro-ne di-ro lan-ceae,
3. Da-vid fi de-li car-mi-ne,
4. or-na-ta Re-gis pur-pu-ra,
5. pre-ti-um pe-pen-dit sae-qui-li:
8. O Crux ave, spes unica, hoc Passionis tempore!

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Gospel according to Matthew  Altus  Pierre de la Rue (c. 1452 – 1518)

Translation:
The word of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew: At that time, Jesus said to his disciples: My soul is sorrowful, even unto death. Then Jesus cried out again with a loud voice, and yielded up his spirit.
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Venantius Fortunatus (530-609) Pierre de la Rue (c. 1452 – 1518)

In illo tempore dixit Jesus disci pulis suis:

1. Fulget Crucis my-stet-
3. muro ne di-ro lan-
4. David fi-de-li car-
5. or-na-ta Re-gis pur-
6. pre-ti-um pe-pen-dit sae-

In illo tempore dixit Jesus disci pulis suis:

1. Fulget Crucis my-stet-
3. muro ne di-ro lan-
4. David fi-de-li car-
5. or-na-ta Re-gis pur-
6. pre-ti-um pe-pen-dit sae-
