(also known as Sing My Tongue the Savior's Battle)

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- 6. Thirty years among us dwelling, His appointed time fulfilled; Giv'n for this, He meets His Passion, For that this He freely willed; On the Cross the Lamb is lifted, On Whose Death our hope we build.
- 7. He endured the shame and spitting. Vinegar and nails and reed;
 As His Blessed Side is opened,
 Water thence and blood proceed:
 Earth, and sky, and stars, and ocean,
 By that flood are cleansed indeed.
- 8. Faithful Cross! above all other One and only noble Tree! None in foliage, none in blossom, None in fruit compares with Thee: Sweetest wood, and sweetest iron, Sweetest weight sustaining free.

- 9. Bend thy boughs, O Tree of Glory!
 Thy relaxing sinews bend;
 For awhile the ancient rigour
 That thy birth bestowed, suspend:
 And the King of Heavenly Beauty
 On thy bosom gently tend.
- 10. Thou alone wast counted worthy
 This world's ransom to uphold;
 For a shipwrecked world preparing
 Harbor, like the Ark of old;
 With the sacred Blood anointed
 From the wounded Lamb that rolled.
- 11. \(\Delta\) Laud and honor to the Father, Laud and honor to the Son, Laud and honor to the Spirit, Ever Three and ever One: Consubstantial, co-eternal, While unending ages run.