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Plagal Second Tone

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To-day is hung on wood, he who hung the earth up-

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ters (3). A crown of thorns
crowns him, who is the King of An-
gels.

He, who wrapped the Hea-
vens in clouds, is wrapped in the

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ple of mock-
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freed A-
dam in the Jordan, re-
ceived buf-
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ings. He was trans-
fixed with nails,
Who is the Bridegroom of the Church.

He was pierced with a lance, Who is the Son of the Virgin.

We worship your Passion, O Christ.

Show us also, your glorious Resurrection.

A NOTE ON THE TRANSLATION: This translation differs slightly from that of the one in the black Holy Week book that is widely used. An effort has been made here to capture some of the ironic poetry of the original Greek. By using the word “hung” and “wrapped” twice in the same sentence, and by translating “επί ξύλου” literally as “wood” and not “the Cross,” the irony of the poem is emphasized.