

AMISSUS

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Dedicated to

The Rev'd Edwin and Naarah Griswold
who commissioned this work
in celebration of their 50th Wedding Anniversary,

and to

Wayne Petersen

and the Choir of Trinity Episcopal Church

Amissus (The Lost One)

Monumento Lazari lacrimavi.	I have wept at the tomb of Lazarus.
Monumento ejus lacrimavi	I have wept at his tomb
Donec lacrimae ab oculis meis effusae	Until the tears from my eyes
Magnum, valde magnum mare formaverunt.	Formed a great sea.
In solitudine Lazarum, Amissum, exquaesivi	In the wild I have searched for Lazarus, the lost one,
Quaerens corpus ejus caducum ac vinctum.	Seeking his frail and bound body.
Eum voco, ut quareo, in illo loco desolato,	I call to him as I seek in that desolate place,
Ad eum canto	I sing to him
Donec se in somno suo movet,	Until he stirs in his slumber,
Et vocem meam audit.	And hears my voice.
Monumento Lazari lacrimavi,	I have wept at the tomb of Lazarus,
Pulchri, dilecti,	The beautiful, the loved one,
Et se ab somno suo movit	And he has stirred from his slumber
Et vocem meam audivit.	And heard my voice.