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the language of the universe

is
mathematics.

poetry is not the language
of
the masses.

could jesus have gotten it all wrong by accident?

born in the dead of winter
died in the greenness of spring
he came for the people who
think a spondee is a bottom-
dwelling sea creature and a
trochee a part of the throat
and a dactyl
isn't that a flying dinosaur?

jesus didn't want to be the one
to bring poetry to the masses.
he gave us mckuen to do that.