

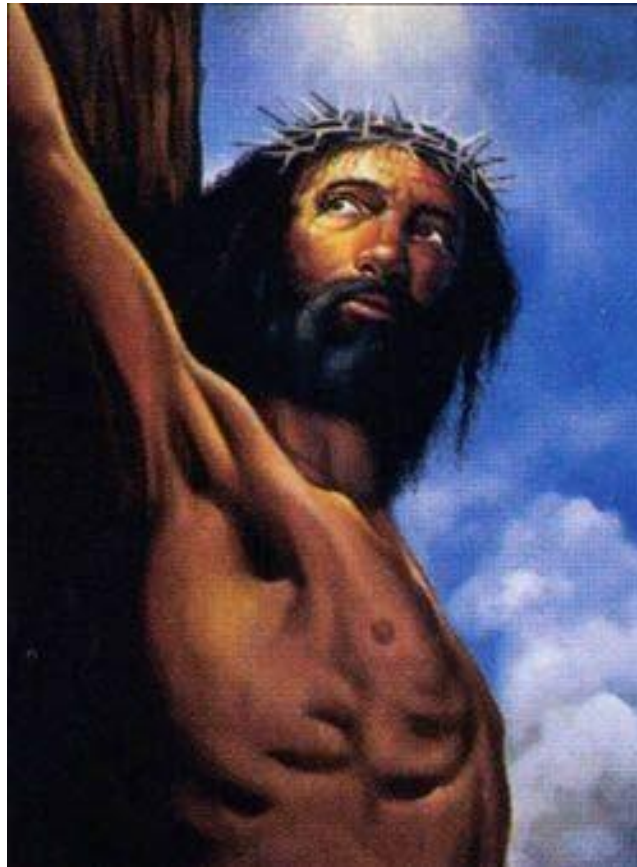
CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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MISSION STATEMENT

We place our faith in the promise of Jesus Christ, that He is the Way and the Truth and the Life. As members of a Christian Family, we dedicate ourselves to a life of worship, prayer, study, and service. We further dedicate ourselves to bringing His teaching to the community through broader use of our facilities and resources.

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE WITH STATIONS OF THE CROSS 12:00 PM APRIL 3, 2026



The Rev. Creamilda Shirley Wulck-Nortey Yoda, Rector
Gail Russell, Senior Warden

We welcome you as we worship this morning. If you would like more information about the Christ Church family, speak with Rev. Creamilda Shirley Wulck-Nortey Yoda, our Rector, Gail Russell or Cedric Kirton, our Senior and Junior Wardens or an usher.

Celebrant enters in silence

Please stand, if able.

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People: **Forever and ever. Amen.**

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty God, we pray you graciously to behold this your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, and given into the hands of sinners, and to suffer death upon the cross; who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. **Amen.**

THE LESSONS

The people sit.

A reading from the Book of Isaiah 52: 13 – 53: 12

Gail Russell

See, my servant shall prosper; he shall be exalted and lifted up, and shall be very high. Just as there were many who were astonished at him—so marred was his appearance, beyond human semblance, and his form beyond that of mortals—so he shall startle many nations; kings shall shut their mouths because of him; for that which had not been told them they shall see, and that which they had not heard they shall contemplate.

Who has believed what we have heard? And to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed? For he grew up before him like a young plant, and like a root out of dry ground; he had no form or majesty that we should look at him, nothing in his appearance that we should desire him. He was despised and rejected by others; a man of suffering and acquainted with infirmity; and as one from whom others hide their faces he was despised, and we held him of no account.

Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted. But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all. He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth. By a perversion of justice he was taken away. Who could have imagined his future? For he was cut off from the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people. They made his grave with the wicked and his tomb with the rich, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth.

Yet it was the will of the Lord to crush him with pain. When you make his life an offering for sin, he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days; through him the will of the Lord shall prosper. Out of his anguish he shall see light; he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge. The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities.

Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he poured out himself to death, and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 22: 1 – 11 *Read responsively at the asterisk* **(LEM 1)**

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? *
and are so far from my cry and from the words of my distress?

O my God, I cry in the daytime, but you do not answer; *
by night as well, but I find no rest.

Yet you are the Holy One, *
enthroned upon the praises of Israel.

Our forefathers put their trust in you; *
they trusted, and you delivered them.

They cried out to you and were delivered; *
they trusted in you and were not put to shame.

But as for me, I am a worm and no man, *
scorned by all and despised by the people.

All who see me laugh me to scorn; *
they curl their lips and wag their heads, saying,

"He trusted in the LORD; let him deliver him; *
let him rescue him, if he delights in him."

Yet you are he who took me out of the womb, *
and kept me safe upon my mother's breast.

I have been entrusted to you ever since I was born; *
you were my God when I was still in my mother's womb.

Be not far from me, for trouble is near, *
and there is none to help.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:*
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews 10: 16 – 25

(LEM 1)

The Holy Spirit testifies, saying,

“This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, says the Lord: I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds,” he also adds, “I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more.” Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.

Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Led by the Celebrant, we will now observe The Stations of the Cross. The Stations are posted around the sanctuary. This service was developed in Jerusalem as a devotion to be undertaken by those wishing to walk in the footsteps of Jesus on Good Friday. In time it developed into 14 stations. Eight of these stations are based directly on the Gospel accounts of the crucifixion, while stations 3,4,6,7,9 and 13 are inferred from the Gospels or taken from pious legends of the crucifixion. Each station begins with a portion of the Stabat Mater, the 12th century hymn of the crucifixion (At the cross her station keeping) attributed to the Franciscan poet, Jacopone da Todi. Where noted, prayers are from the Book of Common Prayer. The meditations and prayers were written by the Rev. Frank and Victoria Logue.

Lines in bold type are said by all. Lines in regular type are said by the officiant. At the conclusion of the stations, we will say confession, sing The Lord's Prayer and then receive communion.

STATION 1: JESUS IS CONDEMNED TO DEATH

Lord Jesus, crucified, have mercy on us!
At the cross her station keeping,
Stood the mournful Mother weeping,
Close to Jesus to the last.

MEDITATION

Betrayed. Deserted. Alone. Jesus stands before an unjust judge.
Dry palm branches crackle under the feet of the crowd.
Soldiers rain down punches and crown him with thorns.
Jesus is condemned to die.

PRAYER

Lamb of God, who came to take away the sins of the world,
You knew no sin and yet were sentenced to death. Assist me by your
mercy to see the beam in my own eye and to remove it before I look
to the speck in the eyes of others. This we pray in the name of
Jesus, our crucified Lord, the King of Glory, the King of Peace.

Amen.

The following is repeated three times while walking to the next station:

Holy God, Holy and mighty

Holy immortal one, Have mercy on us.

HYMN "Go Dark Gethsemane"

1982 Hymnal, #171, Stz. 2

1 Go to dark Geth - se - ma - ne, ye that feel the tempt-er's power;
 2 Fol - low to the judg - ment hall; view the Lord of life ar - rained;
 3 Cal-vary's mourn - ful moun - tain climb; there, a - dor - ing at his feet,

your Re-deem - er's con - flict see, watch with him one bit - ter hour;
 O the worm-wood and the gall! O the pangs his soul sus - tained!
 mark the mir - a - cle of time, God's own sac - ri - fice com - plete;

turn not from his griefs a - way, learn of Je - sus Christ to pray.
 Shun not suf - fering, shame, or loss; learn of him to bear the cross.
 "It is fi - nished!" hear him cry; learn of Je - sus Christ to die.

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STATION 2: "JESUS TAKES UP HIS CROSS"

Lord Jesus, crucified, have mercy on us!
Through her heart, His sorrow sharing
All His bitter anguish bearing,
Now at length the sword has passed.

MEDITATION

Splinters. Heavy, rough wood. The scent of the hill country.
A single beam laid across the back of a carpenter.
The crowd jeers. The procession to the place of the skull begins.

PRAYER

Obedient Lord, you asked us each to take up our cross and follow you.
Then you took up your own cross and led the way not just to calvary,
but to the empty tomb and beyond. Give us the courage to follow where you
lead. This we pray in the name of Jesus, our crucified Lord, the King of Glory,
the King of Peace. **Amen.**

The following is repeated three times while walking to the next station:

Holy God, Holy and mighty
Holy immortal one, Have mercy on us.

HYMN "Cross of Jesus" (*Cross of Jesus*)

1982 Hymnal, # 160, stz 2

The hymn begins on the next page

1 Cross of Je - sus, cross of sor - row, where the
 2 Here the King of all the a - ges, throned in
 3 O mys - ter - ious con - de - scend - ing! O a -
 4 Cross of Je - sus, cross of sor - row, where the

blood of Christ was shed, per - fect Man on
 light ere worlds could be, robed in mor - tal
 ban - don - ment sub - lime! Ve - ry God him -
 blood of Christ was shed, per - fect Man on

thee did suf - fer, per - fect God on thee has bled!
 flesh is dy - ing, cru - ci - fied by sin for me.
 self is bear - ing all the suf - fer - ings of time!
 thee did suf - fer, per - fect God on thee has bled!

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STATION 3: JESUS FALLS THE FIRST TIME

Lord Jesus, crucified, have mercy on us!

O, how sad and sore distressed

Was that Mother highly blessed

Of the sole-begotten One!

MEDITATION

Stumble. Waver. Collapse.

Jesus' sweat mingles with dust as he falls to the earth.

The weight of the sins of the world on his shoulders.

Barely able to stand. He cannot carry the cross without falling.

PRAYER

Lion of Judah, you know our weaknesses, our temptations and our failings. Support us by the power of the Holy Spirit that we do not stumble so as to fall away from you. This we pray in the name of Jesus, our crucified Lord, the King of Glory, the King of Peace.

Amen.

The following is repeated three times while walking to the next station:

Holy God, Holy and mighty

Holy immortal one, Have mercy on us.

HYMN "Hail Thou Once Despised Jesus" (*In Babilone*)

1982 Hymnal, #495, stz. 1

The hymn begins on the next page

1 Hail, thou once de - spis - ed Je - sus! Hail, thou Gal - i -
 2 Pas - chal Lamb, by God ap - point - ed, all our sins on
 3 Je - sus, hail! en - throned in glo - ry, there for ev - er
 *4 Wor - ship, hon - or, power, and bless - ing thou art wor - thy

le - an King! Thou didst suf - fer to re - lease us;
 thee were laid: by al - might - y love a - noint - ed,
 to a - bide; all the heaven - ly hosts a - dore thee,
 to re - ceive; high - est prais - es, with - out ceas - ing,

thou didst free sal - va - tion bring. Hail, thou u - ni - ver - sal
 thou hast full a - tone - ment made. All thy peo - ple are for -
 seat - ed at thy Fa - ther's side. There for sin - ners thou art
 right it is for us to give. Help, ye bright an - gel - ic

The hymn continues on the next page

Sa - vior, bear - er of our sin and shame! By thy mer - it
 giv - en through the vir - tue of thy blood: o - pened is the
 plead - ing: there thou dost our place pre - pare; ev - er for us
 spi - rits, all your no - blest an - thems raise; help to sing our

we find fa - vor: life is giv - en through thy Name.
 gate of hea - ven, re - con - ciled are we with God.
 in - ter - ced - ing, till in glo - ry we ap - pear.
 Sa - vior's mer - its, help to chant Em - man - uel's praise!

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STATION 4: JESUS MEETS HIS AFFLICTED MOTHER

Lord Jesus, crucified, have mercy on us!
Christ above in torment hangs,
She beneath beholds the pangs,
Of her dying, glorious Son.

MEDITATION

Mother and child. Madonna.
Joseph has died. There is no angelic choir.
No shepherds. No wise men.
Gone are the gold, frankincense and myrrh.
Mary sees her battered son through a veil of tears.

PRAYER

Son of God, son of Mary, the crowd heaps scorn and turns the blade that pierces your mother's own soul. Grant us the grace to see those in needless suffering and to reach out to them showing the love you wanted to show to your mother Mary as you stumbled toward Calvary. This we pray in the name of Jesus, our crucified Lord, the King of Glory, the King of Peace. **Amen.**

The following is repeated three times while walking to the next station:

Holy God, Holy and mighty
Holy immortal one, Have mercy on us.

HYMN "Beneath the Cross of Jesus" (*St. Christopher*)

1982 Hymnal, # 498, stz. 2

The hymn begins on the next page

1 Be - neath the cross of Je - sus I fain would take my stand,
 2 Up - on the cross of Je - sus mine eyes at times can see
 3 I take, O cross, thy sha-dow for my a - bid - ing place;

the sha - dow of a might - y rock with - in a wea - ry land,
 the ve - ry dy - ing form of one who suf - fered there for me;
 I ask no o - ther sun - shine than the sun - shine of his face;

a home with - in the wil - der-ness, a rest up - on the way,
 and from my smit - ten heart with tears two won - ders I con - fess:
 con - tent to let my pride go by, to know no gain nor loss,

from the burn - ing of the noon - tide heat, and the bur - den of the day.
 the — won - ders of re - deem - ing love, and — my un - wor - thi - ness.
 my — sin - ful self my on - ly shame, my — glo - ry all the cross.

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STATION 5: THE CROSS IS LAID UPON SIMON OF CYRENE

Jesus Christ, crucified, have mercy on us!

Is there one who would not weep

Whelmed in miseries so deep

Christ's dear Mother to Behold?

MEDITATION

Stranger. Neighbor. Friend.

Simon takes up your cross. In so doing takes up his own.

Another innocent man joins the procession to Calvary.

PRAYER

Suffering Servant, beaten beyond human semblance, through the Good Samaritan you taught us that everyone in need is our neighbor. Help us to follow in your way of love that we do not need be compelled to take up the cross of another when they cannot bear their burdens alone. This we pray in the name of Jesus, our crucified Lord, the King of Glory, the King of Peace.

Amen.

The following is repeated three times while walking to the next station:

Holy God, Holy and mighty

Holy immortal one, Have mercy on us.

HYMN "Lead Me to Calvary"

Lift Every Voice Hymnal, #31, stz. 1

The hymn begins on the next page

1. King of my life I crown thee now, Thine shall the glo - ry be;
 2. Show me the tomb where thou wast laid, Ten - der - ly mourned and wept;
 3. Let me, like Ma - ry, through the gloom, Come with a gift to thee;
 4. May I be will - ing, Lord, to bear Dai - ly my cross for thee;

1. Lest I for - get thy thorn-crowned brow, Lead me to Cal - va - ry.
 2. An - gels in robes of light ar - rayed Guard-ed thee whilst Thou slept.
 3. Show to me now the emp - ty tomb, - Lead me to Cal - va - ry.
 4. E - ven thy cup of grief to share - Thou hast borne all for me.

Lest I for-get Geth - sem - a - ne, Lest I for-get thine ag - o - ny,

Lest I for-get thy love for me, Lead me to Cal - va - ry.

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STATION 6: A WOMAN WIPES THE FACE OF JESUS

Lord Jesus, crucified, have mercy on us!

Can the human heart refrain
From partaking in her pain,
In that Mother's pain untold?

MEDITATION

Cloth. Sweat. Blood. Icon.

Legend tells of a woman wiping Jesus' face and
gaining an image of Christ painted in his blood on her cloth.
In relieving the suffering of others we, too, find the face of Jesus.

PRAYER

Immanuel, God with us, you came as the image of God made flesh
and we scorned you. May we seek not to do great things in your
name, but to honor you with small acts of mercy done with great
love. This we pray in the name of Jesus, our crucified Lord, the
King of Glory, the King of Peace. **Amen.**

The following is repeated three times while walking to the next station:

Holy God, Holy and mighty
Holy immortal one, Have mercy on us.

HYMN "Lead Me to Calvary"

Lift Every Voice Hymnal, #31, stz. 4

The hymn begins on the next page

1. King of my life I crown thee now, Thine shall the glo - ry be;
 2. Show me the tomb where thou wast laid, Ten - der - ly mourned and wept;
 3. Let me, like Ma - ry, through the gloom, Come with a gift to thee;
 4. May I be will - ing, Lord, to bear Dai - ly my cross for thee;

1. Lest I for - get thy thorn-crowned brow, Lead me to Cal - va - ry.
 2. An - gels in robes of light ar - rayed Guard - ed thee whilst Thou slept.
 3. Show to me now the emp - ty tomb, - Lead me to Cal - va - ry.
 4. E - ven thy cup of grief to share - Thou hast borne all for me.

Lest I for - get Geth - sem - a - ne, Lest I for - get thine ag - o - ny,

Lest I for - get thy love for me, Lead me to Cal - va - ry.

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STATION 7: JESUS FALLS A SECOND TIME

Lord Jesus, crucified, have mercy on us!
Bruised, derided, cursed, defiled,
She beheld her tender child,
All with bloody scourges rent.

MEDITATION

Oppressed. Afflicted. Silently suffering.
Simon carries the cross, yet Jesus can not continue.
He bears our infirmities and carries our sorrows.
Crushed under their weight, Jesus falls once more.

PRAYER

Compassionate Christ, all we like sheep have gone astray, turning each of us to our own way. Grant that when we fall into sin, we may return from going our own way to following in yours. This we pray in the name of Jesus, our crucified Lord, the King of Glory, the King of Peace. **Amen.**

The following is repeated three times while walking to the next station:

Holy God, Holy and mighty
Holy immortal one, Have mercy on us.

STATION 8: JESUS MEETS THE WOMEN OF JERUSALEM

Lord Jesus, crucified, have mercy on us!
For the sins of His own nation
Saw Him hang in desolation
Till His Spirit forth He sent.

MEDITATION

Tears. Wailing. Daughters. Mothers. Grief.
Women beat their breasts and mourn openly,
for the Son of Man, but his concern is for them and their children
in the days of woe yet to come.

PRAYER

Son of Man, you told the women of Jerusalem to weep not for you
but for themselves and their children. Give us the gift of tears for
our own sins, that we may mourn the ways in which we fall short of
the glory of God that we may truly repent and return to you. This
we pray in the name of Jesus, our crucified Lord, the King of Glory,
the King of Peace. **Amen.**

The following is repeated three times while walking to the next station:

Holy God, Holy and mighty
Holy immortal one, Have mercy on us.

STATION 9: JESUS FALLS A THIRD TIME

Lord Jesus, crucified, have mercy on us!

O thou Mother! Fount of love,

Touch my spirit from above.

Make my heart with thine accord.

MEDITATION

Brutalized. Dazed. Beyond strength.

Now nearly on Calvary's broad summit, Jesus collapses.

Poles long set into the ground are silhouetted against gray clouds.

Impatiently, Jesus is pulled up and shoved angrily toward his death.

Prayer

Loving Lord, you fell that we might rise and taught us that unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Help us to die to ourselves so that we might live to you and bear much fruit for your Kingdom. This we pray in the name of Jesus, our crucified Lord, the King of Glory, the King of Peace. **Amen.**

The following is repeated three times while walking to the next station:

Holy God, Holy and mighty

Holy immortal one, Have mercy on us.

STATION 10: JESUS IS STRIPPED OF HIS GARMENTS

Lord Jesus, crucified, have mercy on us!

Make me feel as thou hast felt;

Make my soul to glow and melt

With the love of Christ, my Lord.

MEDITATION

King of Glory. King of Peace.

Stripped bare. The crown of thorns is all that remains.

One possession remains—his life.

Holding nothing back, Jesus offers that last gift.

PRAYER

Bread of Life, you came that we might have life and have it abundantly and you emptied yourself, taking the form of a slave that we might be free and died that we might live. Give us the grace to be stripped bare of all that separates us from you. This we pray in the name of Jesus, our crucified Lord, the King of Glory, the King of Peace. **Amen.**

The following is repeated three times while walking to the next station:

Holy God, Holy and mighty

Holy immortal one, Have mercy on us.

HYMN "O Sacred Head Sore Wounded" 1982 Hymnal, #168, stz. 1

The hymn begins on the next page

1 O sa - cred head, sore wound - ed, de - filed and put to scorn;
 2 Thy beau - ty, long - de - sir - ed, hath va - nished from our sight;
 3 In thy most bit - ter pas - sion my heart to share doth cry,
 *4 What lan - guage shall I bor - row to thank thee, dear - est friend,
 *5 My days are few, O fail not, with thine im - mor - tal power,

1 O king - ly head, sur - round - ed with mock - ing crown of thorn:
 2 thy power is all ex - pir - ed, and quenched the light of light.
 3 with thee for my sal - va - tion up - on the cross to die.
 4 for this thy dy - ing sor - row, thy pi - ty with - out end?
 5 to hold me that I quail not in death's most fear - ful hour;

1 what sor - row mars thy gran - deur? Can death thy bloom de - flower?
 2 Ah me! for whom thou di - est, hide not so far thy grace:
 3 Ah, keep my heart thus mov - ed to stand thy cross be - neath,
 4 Oh, make me thine for - ev - er! and should I faint - ing be,
 5 that I may fight be - friend - ed, and see in my last strife

1 O coun - te - nance whose splen - dor the hosts of heaven a - dore!
 2 show me, O Love most high - est, the bright - ness of thy face.
 3 to mourn thee, well - be - lov - ed, yet thank thee for thy death.
 4 Lord, let me nev - er, nev - er, out - live my love for thee.
 5 to me thine arms ex - tend - ed up - on the cross of life.

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STATION 11: JESUS IS NAILED TO THE CROSS

Lord Jesus, crucified, have mercy on us!
Holy Mother, pierce me through!
In my heart, each wound renew
Of my Savior crucified.

MEDITATION

Cold steel. Warm flesh. Nails rip through tendon and muscle.
Blood soaks into splintered wood.
Jesus responds.
“Father forgive them for they know not what they do.”

PRAYER

Merciful Redeemer, you declared your forgiveness from the cross,
showing love to those who killed you and to the thief dying
alongside you. Help us to know and count the cost of our
forgiveness, bought at so great a price. This we pray in the name of
Jesus, our crucified Lord, the King of Glory, the King of Peace. **Amen.**

The following is repeated three times while walking to the next station:

Holy God, Holy and mighty
Holy immortal one, Have mercy on us.

HYMN “He Never Said a Mumbalin’ Word (*Negro Spiritual*, ARR. CARL HAYWOOD)
Lift Every Voice Hymnal, # 33, stz. 2

The hymn begins on the next page

1. They cru - ci - fied my Lord, and He nev - er said a mum - ba - lin'
 2. They nailed Him to a tree, and He nev - er said a mum - ba - lin'

1. word; They cru - ci - fied my Lord, and He nev - er said a mum - ba - lin'
 2. word; They nailed Him to a tree, and He nev - er said a mum - ba - lin'

1. word. Not a word, not a word, not a word.
 2. word; Not a word, not a word, not a word.

3. They pierced Him in the side.
4. The blood came streamin' down.
5. He hung His head and died.

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STATION 12: JESUS DIES ON THE CROSS

Lord Jesus, crucified, have mercy on us!
Let me share with thee His pain,
Who for all our sins was slain,
Who for me in torments died.

MEDITATION

Despised. Rejected.
Eloi, Eloi, Lama sabachthani?
My God, My God, Why have you forsaken me?
Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last.
From top to bottom the veil in the Temple is torn in two.

PRAYER

Lamb that was slain, as you cried out to your Father from the cross we learned how deep was your suffering, how complete was your sense of abandonment. Be present with us when others betray us or forsake us that we may find ourselves in your eyes and not theirs. This we pray in the name of Jesus, our crucified Lord, the King of Glory, the King of Peace. **Amen.**

The following is repeated three times while walking to the next station:

Holy God, Holy and mighty
Holy immortal one, Have mercy on us.

HYMN "He Never Said a Mumbalin' Word" (*Negro Spiritual*, ARR. CARL HAYWOOD)

Lift Every Voice Hymnal, # 33, stz. 5

The hymn begins on the next page

1. They cru - ci - fied my Lord, and He nev - er said a mum - ba - lin'
 2. They nailed Him to a tree, and He nev - er said a mum - ba - lin'

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STATION 13: THE BODY OF JESUS IS PLACED IN THE ARMS OF HIS MOTHER

Lord Jesus, crucified, have mercy on us!

Let me mingle tears with thee,
Mourning Him who mourned for me,
All the days that I may live.

MEDITATION

Mourning mother. Broken child.
A sword of grief pierces her soul.
Women surround her, but none can comfort her.
Her name is bitterness.

PRAYER

Crucified Savior, you are resurrection and life and in your death and resurrection we who mourn find the peace and comfort your own mother lacked as your body came down from the cross. Help us to bring the hope of the resurrection to all who mourn. This we pray in the name of Jesus, our crucified Lord, the King of Glory, the King of Peace. **Amen.**

The following is repeated three times while walking to the next station:

Holy God, Holy and mighty
Holy immortal one, Have mercy on us.

STATION 14: JESUS IS LAID IN THE TOMB

Jesus Christ, crucified, have mercy on us!
By the cross with thee to stay,
There with thee to weep and pray,
Is all I ask of thee to give.

MEDITATION

Cold stone. A shroud. Darkness.
Sabbath rest at last.
The disciples gather in fear.
A grain of wheat waits for spring.

PRAYER

Alpha and Omega, you are beginning and end. In death you
conquered death so that even at the grave we praise your name.
Help us to find you as the way, the truth and the life and to lead
others out of darkness and into your light. This we pray in the name
of Jesus, our crucified Lord, the King of Glory, the King of Peace. **Amen.**

The following is repeated three times while walking to the next station:

**Holy God, Holy and mighty
Holy immortal one, Have mercy on us.**

CONCLUDING PRAYER

The Book of Common Prayer, page 101

**Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of
the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving
embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in
love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of
you; for the honor of your Name. Amen.**

SOLO: "FOURTH LAST WORD OF CHRIST" (Theodore Dubois)

ART TAYLOR

The hymn begins on the next page

THE SOLEMN COLLECTS

(LEM 1)

Please stand, if able

Dear People of God: Our heavenly Father sent his Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world through him might be saved; that all who believe in him might be delivered from the power of sin and death, and become heirs with him of everlasting life.

We pray, therefore, for people everywhere according to their needs.

Let us pray for the holy Catholic Church of Christ throughout the world;

For its unity in witness and service

For all bishops and other ministers

and the people whom they serve

For Mariann, our Bishop, and all the people of this diocese

For all Christians in this community

For those about to be baptized.

That God will confirm his Church in faith, increase it in love, and preserve it in peace.

Silence

The Celebrant says

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

LEM 1 says

Let us pray for all nations and peoples of the earth, and for those in authority among them;

For Donald, the President of the United States

For the Congress and the Supreme Court

For the Members and Representatives of the United Nations

For all who serve the common good

That by God's help they may seek justice and truth and live in peace and concord.

Silence

The celebrant says

Almighty God, kindle, we pray, in every heart the true love of peace, and guide with your wisdom those who take counsel for the nations of the earth; that in tranquility your dominion may increase, until the earth is filled with the knowledge of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

LEM1 says

Let us pray for all who suffer and are afflicted in body or in mind;

For the hungry and the homeless, the destitute
and the oppressed

For the sick, the wounded, and the crippled

For those in loneliness, fear, and anguish

For those who face temptation, doubt, and despair

For the sorrowful and bereaved

For prisoners and captives, and those in mortal danger

That God in his mercy will comfort and relieve them, and grant them the knowledge of his love, and stir up in us the will and patience to minister to their needs.

Silence

The celebrant says

Gracious God, the comfort of all who sorrow, the strength of all who suffer: Let the cry of those in misery and need come to you, that they may find your mercy present with them in all their afflictions; and give us, we pray, the strength to serve them for the sake of him who suffered for us, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

CONFESSION OF SIN *Celebrant and People*

**Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

ABSOLUTION

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

HYMN "Were You There?"

Lift Every Voice Hymnal, #37, stz. 3

The Hymn Begins On The Next Page.

1. Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord? _____ Were you
 2. Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree? _____ Were you
 3. Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb? _____ Were you
 4. Were you there when He rose up from the grave? _____ Were you

1. there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord?
 2. there when they nailed Him to the tree?
 3. there when they laid Him in the tomb? O! _____
 4. there when He rose up from the grave?

Some-times it caus-es me to trem-ble, trem-ble, trem - ble. _____

1. Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord? _____
 2. Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree? _____
 3. Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb? _____
 4. Were you there when He rose up from the grave? _____

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THE PEACE

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

THE OFFERTORY SENTENCES The Rev. Creamilda Shirley Wulck-Nortey Yoda

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *Ephesians 5:2*

The ushers come to the chancel steps to receive the offering plates. The congregation place their offerings on the plates being passed along the pews.

OFFERTORY

DOXOLOGY

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host:
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

Celebrant

And now as our Saviour has taught us, we are bold to say

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

THE FRACTION ANTHEM

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you,
and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

THE COMMUNION *All are invited to the Table of the Lord. The Celebrant, assisted by LEM 1, will distribute the reserved sacrament communion kits.*

Musical Interlude “Stricken, Smitten and Afflicted”

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, we pray you to set your passion, cross, and death between your judgment and our souls, now and in the hour of our death. Give mercy and grace to the living; pardon and rest to the dead; to your holy Church peace and concord; and to us sinners everlasting life and glory; for with the Father and Holy Spirit you live and reign, one God, now and forever.
Amen.

Silence.

The Celebrant leaves in silence

Assisting in the Service:

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Zoom Technician: Steve Beall

EASTER SERVICE SCHEDULE

The Great Vigil of Easter, April 5 6:00am, Fellowship Grove

Easter Festive Eucharist, April 5 9:00am in person & Zoom

Sunday, April 12 9:00am Holy Humor Sunday

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