

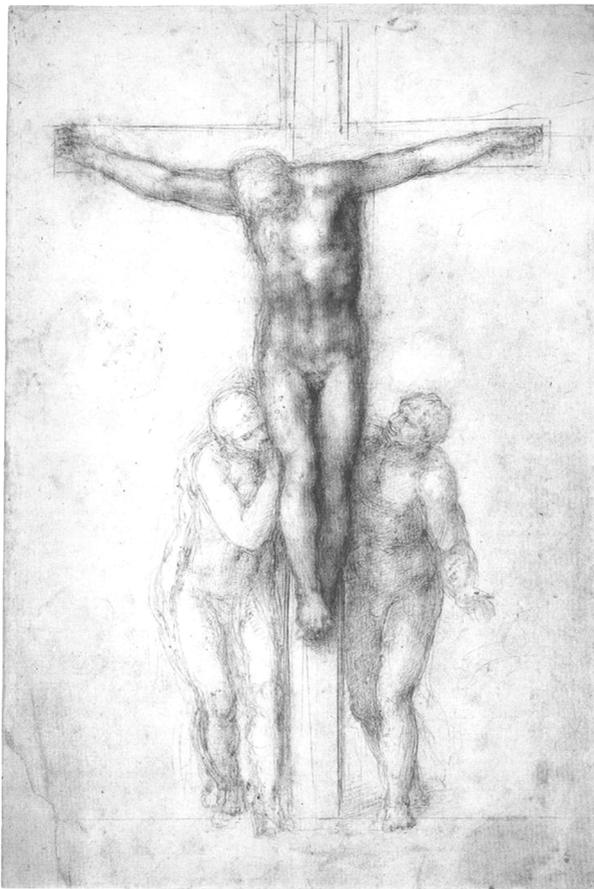


Great St Mary's

THE UNIVERSITY CHURCH CAMBRIDGE

# GOOD FRIDAY

15 April 2022



Preaching on the Cross  
The Liturgy of the Cross  
Holy Communion

# Great St Mary's, the University Church

12pm            Silent Prayer  
12.30 pm      Preaching on the Cross      The Revd Devin McLachlan  
1.30 pm      The Liturgy of the Cross  
                  *followed by*  
                  Holy Communion (from the Reserved Sacrament)

Wherever you have come from, and whoever you are, consider yourself at home here with us. We are one in Christ and today are united with him in his suffering on the Cross.

*The choir of Great St Mary's is conducted and the organ played by Samuel Hayes, University Organist and Director of Music, and Benedict Todd, Organist and Assistant Director of Music*

*Silent Prayer*

*12 noon*

*St Andrew's chapel is set aside from noon, for those who wish to take part in silent prayer in preparation for today's service.*

*Preaching on the Cross*

*12.30pm*

THE GATHERING

*The ministers enter in silence. All KNEEL for a time of silent prayer.*

COLLECT

Almighty Father, look with mercy on this your family for which our Lord Jesus Christ was content to be betrayed and given up into the hands of sinners and to suffer death upon the cross; who is alive and glorified with you and the Holy Spirit one God, now and for ever.

**All      Amen.**

*A minister offers words of welcome and introduces the service.*

*Please stand, as you are able, to sing the*

HYMN

**Were you there when they crucified my Lord?  
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?  
Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble;  
were you there when they crucified my Lord?**

**Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?  
Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?  
Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble;  
were you there when they nailed him to the tree?**

**Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?  
Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?  
Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble;  
were you there when they laid him in the tomb?**

American Folk Hymn

## I ~ The Wood

READING AND REFLECTION

*Luke 23.26-33*

HYMN

1  
**O cross of Christ,  
immortal tree  
on which our Saviour died,  
the world is sheltered  
by your arms  
that bore the Crucified.**

2  
**From bitter death  
and barren wood,  
the tree of life is made;  
its branches bear  
unfailing fruit  
and leaves that never fade.**

O faithful cross,  
 you stand unmoved  
 while ages run their course:  
 foundation of  
 the universe,  
 creation's binding force.

Give glory to  
 our Saviour Christ,  
 and to his cross give praise,  
 the sign of God's  
 unfathomed love,  
 the hope of all our days.

Community of Stanbrook Abbey, tune ALBANO, Vincent Novello (1781-1861)

## II ~ The Iron

READING AND REFLECTION

*Matthew 21.33-42*

HYMN



Sing, my tongue, the glorious battle,  
 sing the last, the dread affray;  
 o'er the Cross, the victor's trophy,  
 sound the high triumphal lay,  
 how, the pains of death enduring,  
 earth's Redeemer won the day.

Now the thirty years are ended  
 which on earth he willed to see,  
 willingly he meets his passion,  
 born to set his people free;  
 on the Cross the lamb is lifted,  
 there the sacrifice to be.

There the nails and spear he suffers,  
vinegar and gall and reed;  
from his sacred body piercèd  
blood and water both proceed:  
precious flood, which all creation  
from the stain of sin hath freed.

Faithful Cross, above all other,  
one and only noble tree,  
none in foliage, none in blossom,  
none in fruit thy peer may be;  
sweet the wood, and sweet the iron,  
and thy load, most sweet is he.



Venantius Fortunatus (c.530-600), tr. John Mason Neale (1818-66),  
tune PANGE LINGUA, Plainsong Mode iii

### III ~ The Rope

READING AND REFLECTION  
*Matthew 27.35-44*

HYMN

It is a thing most wonderful,  
almost too wonderful to be,  
that God's own Son should come from heaven,  
and die to save a child like me.

And yet I know that it is true:  
he chose a poor and humble lot,  
and wept and toiled and mourned and died  
for love of those who loved him not.

I cannot tell how he could love  
a child so weak and full of sin;  
his love must be most wonderful,  
if he could die my love to win.

I sometimes think about the Cross,  
and shut my eyes, and try to see  
the cruel nails and crown of thorns,  
and Jesus crucified for me.

But even could I see him die,  
I could but see a little part  
of that great love which, like a fire,  
is always burning in his heart.

It is most wonderful to know  
his love for me so free and sure;  
but 'tis more wonderful to see  
my love for him so faint and poor.

And yet I want to love thee, Lord;  
O light the flame within my heart,  
and I will love thee more and more,  
until I see thee as thou art.

W Walsham How (1823-97), tune HERONGATE, English Traditional Melody

#### IV ~ The World

READING AND REFLECTION

*Matthew 16.24-26*

*Lift high the Cross, the love of Christ proclaim  
till all the world adore his sacred name.*

**Come, let us follow where our Captain trod,  
our king victorious, Christ the Son of God: [Refrain]**

**Led on their way by his triumphant sign,  
the hosts of God in conquering ranks combine: [Refrain]**

**O Lord, once lifted on the glorious Tree,  
as thou hast promised, draw us unto thee: [Refrain]**

**Set up thy throne, that earth's despair my cease  
beneath the shadow of its healing peace: [Refrain]**

**For thy blest Cross which doth for all atone  
creation's praises rise before thy throne:  
*Lift high the Cross, the love of Christ proclaim  
till all the world adore his sacred name.***

George William Kitchin (1827-1912) and Michael Robert Newbolt (1874-1956),  
tune CRUCIFER, Sidney Nicholson (1875-1947)

*A period of quiet rest follows, during which you are invited to remain for silent prayer  
before the Liturgy of the Cross begins*

*The Liturgy of the Cross*

*1.30pm*

*At 1.30pm ministers return, entering in SILENCE*

The choir sings

INTROIT

*Christus factus est pro nobis* – Giovanni Battista Martini (1706-1784)

*Christus factus est  
pro nobis obediens  
usque ad mortem,  
mortem autem crucis.  
Propter quod et Deus  
exaltavit illum  
et dedit illi nomen,  
quod est super omne nomen.*

Christ became obedient  
for us  
unto death,  
even death on the cross.  
Therefore God  
exalted Him  
and gave Him a name  
which is above all names.

Gradual and responsory during the triduum, from Philippians 2:8-9

GATHERING

All **KNEEL** for a time of silent prayer.

Pres. All we like sheep have gone astray;  
we have turned every one to his own way,

All **And the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.**

Pres. Christ the Lord became obedient unto death,

All **Even death on a cross.**

A time of SILENCE is kept.

Pres. Almighty God,

All **our heavenly Father,  
we have sinned in thought and word and deed;  
we have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.  
We pray you of your mercy, forgive us all that is past,  
and grant that we may serve you in newness of life  
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

At the end:

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 22.1-21

- 1 MY God, my God, look upon me; why hast thou forsaken me :  
and art so far from my health,  
and from the words of my complaint?
- 2 O my God, I cry in the day-time, but thou hearest not :  
and in the night-season also I take no rest.
- 3 And thou continuest holy : O thou worship of Israel.
- 4 Our fathers hoped in thee :  
they trusted in thee, and thou didst deliver them.
- 5 They called upon thee, and were holpen :  
they put their trust in thee, and were not confounded.
- 6 But as for me, I am a worm, and no man:  
a very scorn of men, and the outcast of the people.
- 7 All they that see me laugh me to scorn:  
they shoot out their lips, and shake their heads, saying,
- 8 He trusted in God, that he would deliver him :  
let him deliver him, if he will have him.
- 9 But thou art he that took me out of my mother's womb :  
thou wast my hope,  
when I hanged yet upon my mother's breasts.
- 10 I have been left unto thee ever since I was born:  
thou art my God, even from my mother's womb.
- 11 O go not from me, for trouble is hard at hand :  
and there is none to help me.
- 12 Many oxen are come about me :  
fat bulls of Basan close me in on every side.
- 13 They gape upon me with their mouths :  
as it were a ramping and a roaring lion.

- 14 I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint :  
my heart also in the midst of my body is even like melting wax.
- 15 My strength is dried up like a potsherd,  
and my tongue cleaveth to my gums :  
and thou shalt bring me into the dust of death.
- 16 For many dogs are come about me :  
and the council of the wicked layeth siege against me.
- 17 They pierced my hands and my feet; I may tell all my bones :  
they stand staring and looking upon me.
- 18 They part my garments among them :  
and cast lots upon my vesture.
- 19 But be not thou far from me, O Lord :  
thou art my succour, haste thee to help me.
- 20 Deliver my soul from the sword :  
my darling from the power of the dog.
- 21 Save me from the lion's mouth :  
thou hast heard me also  
from among the horns of the unicorns.

NEW TESTAMENT READING  
Hebrews 10:16–25

*At the end:*

This is the word of the Lord.

*All*      **Thanks be to God.**

PASSION GOSPEL  
John 18–19:37

*We remain SEATED for the first part of the Passion reading.*

*At the verse which describes Jesus' arrival at Golgotha please STAND, as you are able.*

*SILENCE is kept for a time before the reading of the Passion continues.*

*At the end of the Passion, the reader says*

This is the Passion of the Lord.

*No response is made. Please KNEEL or SIT for a time of silent prayer.*

## PROCLAMATION OF THE CROSS

*The Cross is brought into the church and stands under the Chancel arch.*

*Pres.* Christ humbled himself for us,  
and in obedience, accepted death,

*All* **even death on a cross.**

(Philippians 2.8)

*During the time of prayer and veneration of the Cross,  
the choir sings*

ANTHEMS

*The Reproaches – John Sanders (1933-2003)*

O my people, what have I done to you?  
How have I offended you? Answer me!

I led you out of Egypt, from slavery to freedom,  
but you led your Saviour to the cross.  
For forty years I led you safely through the desert.  
I fed you with manna from heaven,  
and brought you to a land of plenty;  
but you led your Saviour to the cross.

What more could I have done for you?  
I planted you as my fairest vine,  
but you yielded only bitterness :  
when I was thirsty you gave me vinegar to drink,  
and you pierced your Saviour's side with a lance.

I opened the sea before you,  
but you opened my side with a spear.

I led you on your way in a pillar of cloud,  
but you led me to Pilate's court.

I bore you up with manna in the desert,  
but you struck me down and scourged me.

I gave you saving water from the rock,  
but you gave me gall and vinegar to drink.

I gave you a royal sceptre,  
but you gave me a crown of thorns.  
I raised you to the height of majesty,  
but you have raised me high on a cross.

Holy is God! Holy and strong!  
Holy immortal One, have mercy on us.

the *Improperia*, from the Pontificale of Prudentius (846-61), or earlier

*O Dearest Lord* – Paul Edwards (1955- )

1  
O dearest Lord, thy sacred head  
with thorns was pierced for me;  
O pour thy blessing on my head  
that I may think for thee.

3  
O dearest Lord, thy sacred feet  
with nails were pierced for me;  
pour thy blessing on my feet  
that I may live for thee.

2  
O dearest Lord, thy sacred hands  
with nails were pierced for me;  
shed thy blessing on my hands  
that they may work for thee.

4  
O dearest Lord, thy sacred heart  
with spear was pierced for me;  
pour thy Spirit in my heart  
that I may live for thee.

H E Hardy [Father Andrew] (1869-1946)

*Adoramus te, Christe* – Orlande de Lassus (1532-1594)

*Adoramus te, Christe  
et benedicimus tibi.  
Quia per tuam  
sanctam crucem  
redemisti mundum.  
Miserere nobis.*

We adore thee, O Christ,  
and we bless thee,  
because by thy  
holy cross  
thou hast redeemed the world.  
Have mercy upon us.

Antiphon at Feasts of the Holy Cross

## THE ACCLAMATIONS

*Pres.* We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you  
*All* **because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.**  
*Pres.* O Saviour of the world,  
who by your cross and precious blood has redeemed us  
*All* **save us and help us, we humbly pray.**

## THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

*Please KNEEL or SIT for the prayers.*

*After each bidding, before the Collect, the following response is used:*

Lord, hear us.

*All* **Lord, graciously hear us.**

## *Liturgy of the Sacrament*

*Please STAND, as you are able, to sing the*

.HYMN

*During the hymn, the altar is covered with a fair linen cloth and the consecrated elements from Maundy Thursday are brought from the chapel of repose.*

**When I survey the wondrous cross  
on which the Prince of Glory died,  
my richest gain I count but loss,  
and pour contempt on all my pride.**

**Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast  
save in the Cross of Christ my God;  
all the vain things that charm me most,  
I sacrifice them to his blood.**

**See from his head, his hands, his feet,  
sorrow and love flow mingling down;  
did e'er such love and sorrow meet,  
or thorns compose so rich a crown?**

**Were the whole realm of nature mine,  
that were an offering far too small;  
love so amazing, so divine,  
demands my soul, my life, my all.**

Isaac Watts (1674-1748), tune ROCKINGHAM, adapted E Miller (1735-1807)

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Pres.* Standing at the foot of the cross,  
let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

*All* **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, the power and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen**

#### GIVING OF COMMUNION

*Pres.* Draw near with faith.  
Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you,  
and his blood which he shed for you.  
Eat and drink in remembrance that he died for you,  
and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

*The president gives directions about how to receive communion.  
This is God's table and all are welcome. If you would prefer a blessing instead of the  
sacrament, please cross your arms in front of your chest when you come forward.*

O sacred head, surrounded  
by crown of piercing thorn!  
O bleeding head, so wounded,  
so shamed and put to scorn!  
Death's pallid hue comes o'er thee,  
the glow of life decays;  
yet angel-hosts adore thee,  
and tremble as they gaze.

2

Thy comeliness and vigour  
is withered up and gone,  
and in thy wasted figure  
I see death drawing on.  
O agony and dying!  
O love to sinners free!  
Jesu, all grace supplying,  
turn thou thy face on me.

3

in this thy bitter passion,  
good shepherd, think of me  
with thy most sweet compassion,  
unworthy though I be:  
beneath thy cross abiding  
for ever would I rest,  
in thy dear love confiding,  
and with thy presence blest.

Paul Gerhardt (1607-76), based on *Salve caput cruentatum*, tr. H W Baker (1821-77),  
tune PASSION CHORALE, Hans Leo Hassler (1564-1612), harm. J S Bach (1685-1750)

### THE CONCLUSION

*Pres.* O Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, set your passion,  
cross and death between your judgement and our souls,  
now and in the hour of our death.

Grant mercy and grace to the living, rest to the departed,  
to your Church peace and concord, and to us sinners forgiveness,  
and everlasting life and glory; for, with the Father and the  
Holy Spirit, you are alive and reign, God, now and for ever.

*All* **Amen.**

*The service ends with the Gospel of the Burial of Christ, overleaf.*

# THE GOSPEL OF THE BURIAL OF CHRIST

*John 19.38–end*

*After the Deacon has read the Gospel, the ministers depart in SILENCE.  
You are very welcome to remain in the church for silent prayer.*

*We look forward to celebrating the Resurrection with you on Easter Sunday:*

5.30am	Dawn Vigil & Holy Communion
8am	Holy Communion (BCP)
10am	Choral Communion
11.30am	Choral Mattins
5pm	Choral Evensong

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