

CHRIST CHURCH ST LUCIA

Good Friday Devotion

12 noon – 3pm



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MUSIC:
The Lucian Singers
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STATIONS OF THE CROSS

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.
Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

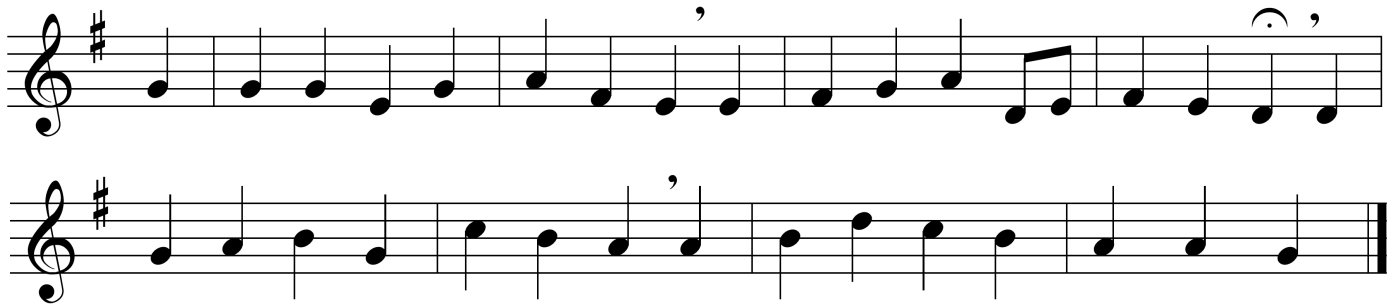
God of power and mercy,
in love you sent your Son
that we might be cleansed of sin
and live with you forever.
Bless us as we gather to reflect
on his suffering and death
that we may learn from his example
the way we should go.
We ask this through that same Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

HYMN [AM 175, t.583]

BRESLAU

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German 15th cent.



- 1 A time to watch, a time to pray,
a day of wonders is today:
the saddest, yet the gladdest too,
that earth or heaven ever knew.
- 2 The saddest, for our Saviour bore
his death, that we might die no more:
the agony, the scourge, the fear,
the crown of thorns, the cross, the spear.

3 And yet the gladdest, for today
our load of sin was borne away:
and hopes of joy that never dies
hang on our Saviour's sacrifice.

4 O Saviour, how we bless your name!
Yours is the glory, ours the shame;
by all the pain your love endured
let all our many sins be cured.

John Mason Neale (1818-1866)

Introduction

Fr. Shane

CHOIR: *Adoramus te, Christe – Orlando de Lassus*

*Adoramus te, Christe,
et benedicimus tibi,*

*quia per sanctam crucem tuam
redemisti mundum.*

Domine, miserere nobis.

We adore you, O Christ,
and we bless you;

for by your holy cross and passion
you have redeemed the world.

O Lord, have mercy upon us.

1st Station

Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Reading

Matthew 26:36-41

Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane; and he said to his disciples, 'Sit here while I go over there and pray.' He took with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and began to be grieved and agitated. Then he said to them, 'I am deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and stay awake with me.'

And going a little farther,
he threw himself on the ground
and prayed, 'My Father, if it is
possible, let this cup pass from me;
yet not what I want but what you
want.'

Then he came to the disciples
and found them sleeping;
and he said to Peter,
'So, could you not stay awake with
me one hour?
Stay awake and pray that you may
not come into the time of trial;
the spirit indeed is willing,
but the flesh is weak.'



Reflection

Fr. Shane

ORGAN: *Gesthsemane – Alex Ruoff (b.19570)*



Lord,
grant us your strength and wisdom,
that we may seek to follow your will in all things
Lord Jesus, help us walk in your steps.

2nd Station

Jesus, Betrayed by Judas, is Arrested

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Reading

Mark 14: 43-46

While Jesus was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, arrived; and with him there was a crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests, the scribes, and the elders.

Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying, 'The one I will kiss is the man; arrest him and lead him away under guard.'

So when he came, he went up to him at once and said, 'Rabbi!' and kissed him. Then they laid hands on him and arrested him.

ORGAN: *Ah, Dearest Jesus (Herzliebster Jesu) – Wilbur Held (1914-2015)*

Reflection

Fr. Shane

HYMN *Ah, Holy Jesus (words on p.6)*

Prayer following the hymn:

Lord,
grant us the courage of our convictions
that our lives may faithfully reflect the good news you bring.
Lord Jesus, help us walk in your steps.



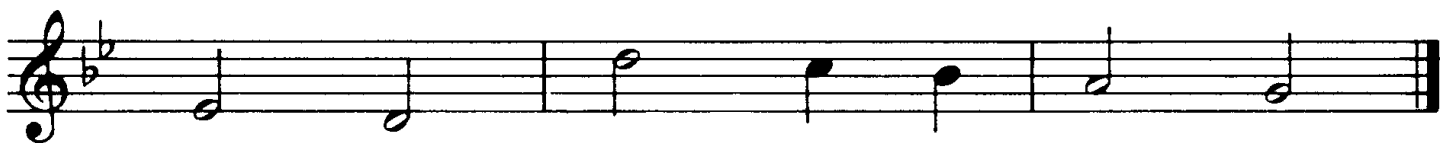
Choir 1. Ah, ho - ly Je - sus how have you of -
 Men 2. Who was the guilt - y? Who brought this up -
 Women 3. Lo, the Good Shep - herd for the sheep is
 Choir 4. For me, kind Je - sus, was your in - car -
 All 5. There - fore, kind Je - sus, since I can - not



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 of - fered; The slave has sin - ned, and the Son has
 na - tion, Your mor - tal sor - row and your life's ob -
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 suf - fered; For our a - tone - ment, while we noth - ing
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ject - ed, O most af - flict - ed!
 nied you; I cru - ci - fied you.
 heed - ed, God in - ter - ced - ed.
 pas - sion, For my sal - va - tion.
 swerv - ing, Not my de - serv - ing.

Text: Johann Heerman, 1585-1647; tr. Robert Bridges, 1844-1930; alt. J.F.

Music: *Herzliebster Jesu*, Johann Crüger, 1598-1602

Ah, Holy Jesus (11-10572) setting by John Ferguson

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3rd Station

Jesus is Condemned by the Sanhedrin

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Reading

Luke 22: 66-71

When day came, the assembly of the elders of the people,
both chief priests and scribes, gathered together,
and they brought him to their council.

They said, 'If you are the Messiah, tell us.'

He replied, 'If I tell you, you will not believe;
and if I question you, you will not answer. But from now on
the Son of Man will be seated at the right hand of the power of God.'

All of them asked, 'Are you, then, the Son of God?'

He said to them, 'You say that I am.'

Then they said, 'What further testimony do we need?'

We have heard it ourselves from his own lips!'

ORGAN: *Meditation on Herzliebster Jesu – Ruth Watson Henderson*

Reflection

Fr. Shane

- 1 God of freedom, God of justice,
God whose love is strong as death,
God who saw the dark of prison,
God who knew the price of faith:
touch our world of sad oppression
with your Spirit's healing breath.
- 2 Rid the earth of torture's terror,
God whose hands were nailed to wood;
hear the cries of pain and protest,
God who shed the tears and blood;
move in us the power of pity,
restless for the common good.
- 3 Make in us a captive conscience
quick to hear, to act, to plead;
make us truly sisters, brothers,
of whatever race or creed:
teach us to be fully human,
open to each other's need.

Shirley Erena Murray (b.1931)

Lord,
grant us your sense of righteousness
that we may never cease to work
to bring about the justice of the kingdom that you promised.
Lord Jesus, help us walk in your steps.

4th Station

Jesus is Denied by Peter

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Reading

Matthew 26: 69-75

Now Peter was sitting outside in the courtyard. A servant-girl came to him and said, 'You also were with Jesus the Galilean.' But he denied it before all of them, saying, 'I do not know what you are talking about.'

When he went out to the porch, another servant-girl saw him, and she said to the bystanders, 'This man was with Jesus of Nazareth.' Again he denied it with an oath, 'I do not know the man.'

After a little while the bystanders came up and said to Peter, 'Certainly you are also one of them, for your accent betrays you.' Then he began to curse, and he swore an oath, 'I do not know the man!'

At that moment the cock crowed. Then Peter remembered what Jesus had said: 'Before the cock crows, you will deny me three times.' And he went out and wept bitterly.

ORGAN: *Passion Chorale – Rebecca Groom Te Velde (b.1956)*

Reflection

Fr. Shane

CHOIR: *O vos omnes – Giovanni Croce (1557-1609)*

*O vos omnes qui transitis per viam:
attendite et videte si est dolor
sicut dolor meus.*

O all ye that pass by the way,
attend and see if there be any
sorrow like to my sorrow.

Lamentations 1:12

Lord,

grant us the gift of honesty,

that we may not fear to speak the truth even when difficult.

Lord Jesus, help us walk in your steps.

Jesus is Judged by Pilate

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Reading

Mark 15: 1-5, 15

As soon as it was morning, the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole council. They bound Jesus, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate.

Pilate asked him, 'Are you the King of the Jews?' He answered him, 'You say so.' Then the chief priests accused him of many things.

Pilate asked him again, 'Have you no answer? See how many charges they bring against you.' But Jesus made no further reply, so that Pilate was amazed.

So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified.

Reflection

Fr. Shane

ORGAN: *Passion Chorale – David Bednall (b.1979)*

Lord,
grant us discernment,
that we may see as you see, not as the world sees.

Lord Jesus, help us walk in your steps.

6th Station

Jesus is Scourged and Crowned with Thorns

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Reading

John 19: 1-3

Then Pilate took Jesus and had him flogged. And the soldiers wove a crown of thorns and put it on his head, and they dressed him in a purple robe. They kept coming up to him, saying, 'Hail, King of the Jews!' and striking him on the face.

Reflection

Fr. Shane

HYMN [AM 183]

PASSION CHORALE

- 1 This is your coronation;
thorns pressed upon your head.
No bright angelic heralds,
but angry crowds instead.
Beneath your throne of timber,
and struggling with the load,
you go in cruel procession
on sorrow's royal road.**

- 2 Eternal judge on trial,
God's law, by law denied,
love's justice is rejected
and truth is falsified.
We who have charged, condemned you
are sentenced by your love.
Your blood pronounces pardon
as you are stretched above.**

**3 High Priest, you are anointed
with blood upon your face.
And in this hour appointed
the offering for our race.
For weakness interceding,
for sin, you are the price,
for us your prayer unceasing
O living sacrifice.**

Sylvia G.Dunstan (1955-1993)

Lord,
grant us patience in times of suffering,
that we may offer our lives as a sacrifice of praise.
Lord Jesus, help us walk in your steps.

Jesus Bears the Cross

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Reading *John 19: 6, 15-17*

When the chief priests and the police saw him, they shouted, 'Crucify him! Crucify him!' Pilate said to them, 'Take him yourselves and crucify him; I find no case against him.'

They cried out, 'Away with him! Away with him! Crucify him!' Pilate asked them, 'Shall I crucify your King?'

The chief priests answered, 'We have no king but the emperor.' Then he handed him over to them to be crucified.

So they took Jesus; and carrying the cross by himself, he went out to what is called The Place of the Skull, which in Hebrew is called Golgotha.

HYMN 174

EISENACH

- 1 O love, how deep, how broad, how high,
it fills the heart with ecstasy,
that God, the Son of God, should take
our mortal form for mortals' sake!**
- 3 For us baptized, for us he bore
his holy fast, and hungered sore,
for us temptation sharp he knew;
for us the tempter overthrew.**
- 4 For us he prayed; for us he taught;
for us his daily works he wrought;
by words and signs and actions thus
still seeking not himself, but us.**

- 5 For us to wicked men betrayed,
scourged, mocked, in purple robe arrayed,
he bore the shameful cross and death,
for us at length gave up his breath.
- 7 To him whose boundless love has won
salvation for us through his Son,
to God the Father, glory be
both now and through eternity.

*Attrib. Thomas a Kempis (1379-1471
tr. 1854 Benjamin Webb (1819-1885)*

Reflection

Fr. Shane

CHOIR: *Wash me thoroughly – David Halls (b.1963)*

Wash me thoroughly from my wickedness,
and forgive me all my sin.
For I acknowledge my faults,
and my sin is ever before me.
Wash me thoroughly from my wickedness,
and forgive me all my sin.

Lord,
grant us strength of purpose,
that we may faithfully bear our crosses each day
Lord Jesus, help us walk in your steps.

Jesus is Helped by Simon the Cyrenian to Carry the Cross

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Reading

Mark 15: 21

They compelled a passer-by,
who was coming in from the country, to carry his cross;
it was Simon of Cyrene, the father of Alexander and Rufus.

Reflection

Fr. Shane

Hymn

Our Saviour Christ, you loved us

PASSION CHORALE

- 1 **Our Saviour Christ, you loved us,
and there on Calvary's hill,
you gave your life to save us,
for this was God's own will.
Such love of Christ redeeming,
a love for all to see.
Come, love of Christ, possess us!
Come, love of Christ, to me.**

- 2 **A greater love has no one;
a life laid down to show
the love of God, appealing,
embracing friend and foe.
Lord, let our lives proclaim you -
the freedom that you give;
forgiveness for our failure;
and strength that we may live.**

**3 Lord Christ, we raise your standard,
your cross for all to see;
your sacrifice now offered,
the proof of victory.
And Christ, our Friend, you call us
to love as you have done.
So, chosen and appointed,
Our new life has begun.**

John Seddon

Lord,
grant us willing spirits,
that we may be your instruments on earth.
Lord Jesus, help us walk in your steps.

Jesus Meets the Women of Jerusalem

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Reading

Luke 23: 27-31

A great number of the people followed him, and among them were women who were beating their breasts and wailing for him.

But Jesus turned to them and said, 'Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children.

For the days are surely coming when they will say, "Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bore, and the breasts that never nursed."

Then they will begin to say to the mountains, "Fall on us"; and to the hills, "Cover us." For if they do this when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?'

Reflection

Fr. Shane

CHOIR: *God so loved the world – John Stainer (1840-1901)*

God so loved the world,
that he gave his only begotten son
that whoso believeth, believeth in him,
should not perish but have everlasting life.

Jn.3:16

Lord,
grant us gentle spirits,
that we may comfort those who mourn.
Lord Jesus, help us walk in your steps.

10th Station

Jesus is Crucified

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Reading *Luke 23: 33-34*

When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left.

Then Jesus said, 'Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.'

And they cast lots to divide his clothing.

ORGAN: *Herzlich tut mich verlangen, BWV 727 – J.S.Bach (1685-1750)*

Reflection Fr. Shane

CHOIR: *Sicut cervus - Giovanni da Palestrina (1525/6-1594)*

*Sicut cervus desiderat ad fontes
aquarum, ita desiderat anima
mea ad te, Deus.*

Like as the hart desireth the
waterbrooks: so my soul longeth
for thee, O God. (*Ps. 42:1*)

Lord,
grant us merciful hearts,
that we may bring your reconciliation and forgiveness to all.
Lord Jesus, help us walk in your steps.

Jesus Promises His Kingdom to the Good Thief

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Reading

Luke 23: 39-43

One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, 'Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!' But the other rebuked him, saying, 'Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.' Then he said, 'Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.' He replied, 'Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.'

Reflection

Fr. Shane

HYMN 600 (t.344)

CASWELL

- 1 O my Saviour, lifted from the earth for me,
draw me, in your mercy, at your side to be.**
- 2 Lift my earth-bound longings, fix them, Lord, above;
draw me with the magnet of your mighty love.**
- 3 Lord, your arms are stretching ever far and wide
to enfold your children to your loving side.**
- 4 And I come, Lord Jesus: dare I turn away?
No, your love has conquered, and I come today.**
- 5 Bringing all my burdens, sorrow, sin and care,
at your feet I lay them, and I leave them there.**

William Walsham How 1823-97 alt.

Lord, grant us perseverance, that we may never stop seeking you.

Lord Jesus, help us walk in your steps.

12th Station

Jesus Speaks to His Mother and the Disciple

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.

Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Reading *John 19: 25-27*

And that is what the soldiers did.

Meanwhile, standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene.

When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, 'Woman, here is your son.'

Then he said to the disciple, 'Here is your mother.'

And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home.

Reflection Fr. Shane

ORGAN: *O Mensch, beweine dein Sünde groß, BWV 622 – J.S.Bach*

O humanity, weep for your great sin,
for which Christ left his father's bosom
appeared and came on earth.

Of a Virgin pure and gentle, was born here for us,
who wished to be the mediator.

To the dead he gave life, he healed all sickness,
until the time approached, that he was sacrificed for us,
bearing our sin's heavy burden long on the cross.

Lord,
grant us constancy,
that we may be willing to stand by those in need.

Lord Jesus, help us walk in your steps.

Jesus Dies on the Cross

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.
Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Reading *Luke 23: 44-46*

It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, while the sun's light failed; and the curtain of the temple was torn in two.

Then Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said,
'Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.'

Having said this, he breathed his last.

ORGAN: *Passion Chorale (Herzlich tut mich verlangen), op.122/9*
- *Johannes Brahms (1833-1897)*

Reflection Fr. Shane

HYMN 342

ROCKINGHAM

- 1 **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.**
- 2 **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.**

- 3 See, from his head, his hands, his feet,
sorrow and love flow mingled down;
did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
or thorns compose so rich a crown?
- 4 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.

Text: Isaac Watts

Lord, grant us trust in you,
that when our time on earth is ended,
our spirits may come to you without delay.
Lord Jesus, help us walk in your steps.

14th Station

Jesus is Placed in the Tomb

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.
Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Reading *Matthew 27: 57-60*

When it was evening, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who was also a disciple of Jesus. He went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus; then Pilate ordered it to be given to him. So Joseph took the body and wrapped it in a clean linen cloth and laid it in his own new tomb, which he had hewn in the rock. He then rolled a great stone to the door of the tomb and went away.

Reflection Fr. Shane

ORGAN: *Passion Chorale (Herzlich tut mich verlangen), op.122/10*
- *Johannes Brahms (1833-1897)*

Lord,
grant us your compassion,
that we may always provide for those in need.
Lord Jesus, help us walk in your steps.

Lord Jesus Christ, your passion and death is the sacrifice that unites earth and heaven and reconciles all people to you.
May we who have faithfully reflected on these mysteries,
follow in your steps and so come to share your glory in heaven,
where you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

We depart in silence