

Fourteenth Station
Jesus Is Laid in the Tomb

Scripture

John 19:38-42

Hymn

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?

Concluding Prayer (in unison)

Almighty and eternal God, merciful Father,
who has given to the human race Your beloved Son
as an example of humility, obedience, and patience,
to precede us on the way of life, bearing the cross:
Graciously grant us that we, inflamed by His infinite love,
may take up the sweet yoke of His Gospel as we take up the cross,
following Him as His true disciples,
so that we shall one day gloriously rise with Him
and joyfully hear the final sentence:
"Come, ye blessed of My Father,
and possess the kingdom which was prepared for you from the beginning,"
where Thou reignest with the Son and the Holy Ghost,
and where we hope to reign with Thee, world without end. Amen.

* Chiming of the Trinity

* Voluntary Improvisation on *Were You There?* Anonymous

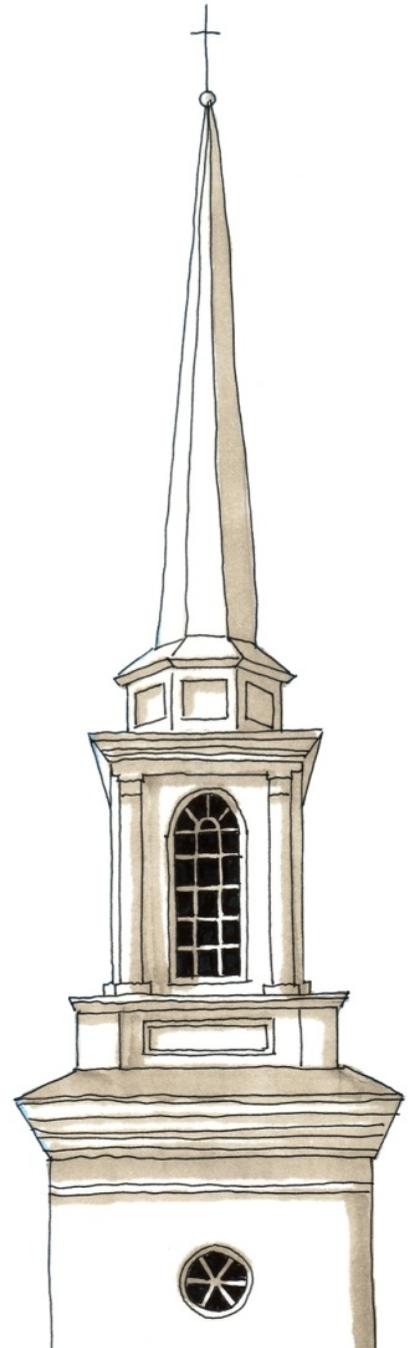
* *All who are able, please stand.*

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God
and in loving memory of Keith Gawith
"It has been a year and we love and miss you as much now as then.
Always Our Love & In Our Hearts"
Jan, Justin, Shannon, Piper, Kieran, Kristopher, Cassey, Bailey, Josh

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Call to Worship

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray.

Invocation**Voluntary***Coronation March*

William Walton

*** Processional Hymn 280***All Glory Laud and Honor**St. Theodulph***Welcome and Announcements**

Delan Stevens, Lay Leader

Pastoral Prayer**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. Amen.

Offertory*The Palms*

Jean-Baptiste Faure

Jack McCutcheon, *tenor*

O'er all the way, green palms and blossoms gay are strewn this day in festal preparation,
Where Jesus comes to wipe our tears away, e'en now the throng to welcome Him prepare,
Join all and sing, His name declare, let ev'ry voice resound with acclamation.
Hosanna! Praised be the Lord! Bless Him who cometh to bring us salvation!

His word goes forth, and peoples by its might once more regain freedom from degradation,
Humanity doth give to each his right, while those in darkness find restored the light,
Join all and sing, His name declare, let ev'ry voice resound with acclamation.
Hosanna! Praised be the Lord! Bless Him who cometh to bring us salvation!

Sing and rejoice, O blest Jerusalem, of all Thy sons sing the emancipation.
Through boundless love the Christ of Bethlehem brings faith and hope to Thee forevermore.
Join all and sing, His name declare, let ev'ry voice resound with acclamation.
Hosanna! Praised be the Lord! Bless Him who cometh to bring us salvation!

*** Presentation of Tithes and Offerings**

Doxology No. 95

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! Amen

Children's Moments

Mr. Mac

Meditation

The Via Dolorosa

Rev. Kinnett

Anthem*Hosanna!*

Dennis Eliot

Eleventh Station

Jesus Is Nailed to the Cross

Scripture

Luke 23:32-34a

Hymn

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?

Twelfth Station

Jesus Dies on the Cross

Scripture

Matthew 27:50-56

Hymn

Were you there when they pierced Him in the side?

Were you there when they pierced Him in the side?

Oh! sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.

Were you there when they pierced Him in the side?

Thirteenth Station

Jesus Is Taken from the Cross

Scripture

John 19:31-37

Hymn

Were you there when the sun refused to shine?

Were you there when the sun refused to shine?

Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.

Were you there when the sun refused to shine?

Tenth through Fourteenth Stations

Jesus is stripped of His garments
Jesus is nailed to the cross
Jesus dies
Jesus is taken down from the cross
Jesus' body is laid in a tomb.

Meditation

When Our Savior had arrived on Calvary, He was cruelly despoiled of His garments that He might die possessed of nothing; how happy will we also die after laying aside our former selves with all evil desires and sinful inclinations!

Stripped of His garments, Jesus' hands and feet were nailed to the cross. Though in pain, He suffered patiently, because He suffered for you and me. How do we act in sufferings and in troubles? How fretful and impatient, how full of complaints we are!

Behold Jesus crucified! His whole appearance speaks of love: His head is bent to kiss us; His arms are extended to embrace us; His Heart is open to receive us. Jesus, the Son of God, dies upon the cross, that we may live and be delivered from everlasting death!

Prayer (in unison)

**Induce me, O Jesus, to lay aside my former self
and to be renewed according to Thy will and desire.
Thou hast set me apart from the world; what, then, shall I seek therein?
Thou hast created me for Heaven; what, then, have I to do with the world?
Depart from me, deceitful world, with thy vanities!
Henceforth I will follow the Way of the Cross
traced out for me by my Redeemer,
and journey onward to my heavenly home, there to dwell forever and ever.**

Tenth Station

Jesus Is Stripped of His Garments

Scripture

John 19:23-24

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?

The Way of the Cross

*Adapted from Meditations and Prayers on the Stations of the Cross
by Saint Francis of Assisi*

Prayer (in unison)

**O most merciful Lord,
with contrite hearts and penitent spirits, we humbly bow before Your divine majesty.
O Lord and Master;
we believe in You, we hope in You, we love You.
We are heartily sorry for our sins.**

**We therefore meditate on Your sufferings, and visit the stations of Your Passion
with the intention of praising You and growing closer to You.
Merciful Redeemer, draw our hearts to You as we reflect on this sacred journey. Amen.**

First through Third Stations

Jesus Is Condemned
Jesus Takes Up the Cross
Jesus Falls the First Time

Scripture

Mark 15:1-20

Meditation

To remain a friend of Caesar, Pilate delivered Jesus into the hands of His enemies. A fearful crime -- to condemn Innocence to death, and to offend God in order not to displease the world! When Jesus beheld the cross, He most willingly stretched out His bleeding arms and placing it on His bruised shoulders. Carrying the cross, Jesus was so weakened by its heavy weight as to fall exhausted to the ground. Our sins and misdeeds were the heavy burden which oppressed Him: the cross was light, but our sins were galling and insupportable.

Prayer (in unison)

**O innocent Jesus,
having sinned, we are guilty of eternal death,
but You willingly accept the unjust sentence of death, that we might live.
For whom, then, shall we henceforth live, if not for You, O Lord?
Should we desire to please others, we could not be Your servants.
Let us, therefore, forget the world, and strive to please You.
Lord Jesus, You bore our burden and the heavy weight of our sins.
Therefore we willingly take up the cross and follow You. Amen.**

Hymn 77

How Great Thou Art
(verses 1 & 3)

How Great Thou Art

Fourth through Seventh Stations

Jesus Meets His Mother
Simon of Cyrene Is Forced to Carry the Cross
Veronica Wipes the Face of Jesus
Jesus Falls the Second Time

Scripture

Mark 15:21-22

Meditation

How painful and how sad it must have been for Mary to behold her beloved Son, laden with the burden of the cross! What unspeakable pangs her most tender heart experienced!

Simon of Cyrene was compelled to help Jesus carry His cross, and Jesus accepted his assistance. How willingly He would also permit us to carry the cross: do we bear the cross willingly or reluctantly!

Veronica, moved by devotion and compassion, presents her veil to Jesus to wipe His haggard face. And Jesus imprints on it His holy countenance: a great reward for so small a service.

The suffering Jesus, under the weight of His cross, again falls to the ground; but the cruel executioners do not permit Him to rest a moment. Pushing and striking Him, they urge Him onward. It is the frequent repetition of our sins which oppress Jesus. Witnessing this, how can we continue to sin?

Prayer (in unison)

Lord Jesus!

Whosoever does not take up the cross and follow You,
is not worthy of You.

Behold, I join You in the Way of the Cross;

I will be your assistant, following Your footsteps,
that I may come to You in eternal life.

O Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on us!

Offer Your helping hand, that we may not fall again into our former sins.

By Your grace,

from this very moment, we will earnestly strive to live in love and peace.

Hymn 294

Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed
(verses 1, 2 & 5)

Martydom

Eighth and Ninth Stations

Jesus Consoles the Daughters of Jerusalem
Jesus Falls the Third Time

Scripture

Luke 23:27-31

Meditation

These devoted women, moved by compassion, weep over the suffering Savior. But He turns to them, saying: "Weep not for Me, but weep for yourselves and for your children."

Arriving exhausted at the foot of Calvary, Jesus falls for the third time to the ground. His love for us, however, is not diminished, not extinguished. What a fearfully oppressive burden our sins must be to cause Jesus to fall so often! Had He, however, not taken them upon Himself, we could not bear the burden.

Prayer (in unison)

Most merciful Jesus,

we give You infinite thanks

for taking our sin and preserving us from the depths of Hell.

Enkindle in us an earnest desire of faithfulness,

and by Your grace help us to persevere to the end of our lives.

Anthem

Lacrymosa (Day of Sadness)

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

Ann Morgan Fallaw, *violin*

That day of tears and mourning,
when from the ashes shall arise,
all humanity to be judged.

Spare us by your mercy, Lord,
gentle Lord Jesus,
grant them eternal rest. Amen.