

2 April 2021
Good Friday



St. Stephen's Episcopal Church
Sierra Vista

Opening Song: #122 LEVAS Thou my everlasting portion (Close to Thee)

Close to Thee

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1. Thou my ev - er - last - ing por - tion, More than friend or
2. Not for ease or world - ly pleas - ure, Nor for fame my
3. Lead me through the vale of shad - ows, Bear me o'er life's

1. life to me; All a - long my pil - grim jour - ney,
2. prayer shall be; Glad - ly will I toil and suf - fer,
3. fit - ful sea; Then the gate of life e - ter - nal

1. Sav - ior, let me walk with thee. Close to thee, Close to
2. On - ly let me walk with thee. Close to thee, Close to
3. May I en - ter, Lord, with thee. Close to thee, Close to

1. Thee, Close to thee, Close to thee; All a - long my
 2. Thee, Close to thee, Close to thee; Glad - ly will I
 3. Thee, Close to thee, Close to thee; Then the gate of

1. pil - grim jour - ney, Sav - ior, let me walk with thee.
 2. toil and suf - fer, On - ly let me walk with thee.
 3. life e - ter - nal May I en - ter, Lord, with thee.

Words: Fanny J. Crosby (1820-1915)
 Music: Silas Vail (1818-1884)

Presider: Blessed be our God
People: Forever and ever. Amen.

Presider: 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.

Presider: Today in place of the readings and the Passion of Christ according to John, we will travel The Way of the Cross (Stations of the Cross) which tells the story of Jesus' crucifixion. Please follow using the other booklet and join us in journeying though Jesus' last moments of his life.

(ministers and people stand and read along with the Way of the Cross booklet)

The Solemn Collects: BCP p. 277

Presider: 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.

Leader 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 Jennifer, our Bishop, and all the people of this diocese
For all Christians in this community
That God will confirm his Church in faith, increase it in love, and preserve it in peace.

Silence

Presider: 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.**

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

Presider: 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.**

Leader: 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

Presider: 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.**

Leader: Let us pray for all who have not received the Gospel of Christ;
For those who have never heard the word of salvation
For those who have lost their faith
For those hardened by sin or indifference
For the contemptuous and the scornful
For those who are enemies of the cross of Christ and persecutors of his

disciples

For those who in the name of Christ have persecuted others
That God will open their hearts to the truth, and lead them to faith and
obedience.

Silence

Presider: Merciful God, creator of all the peoples of the earth and lover of souls:
Have compassion on all who do not know you as you are revealed in your
Son Jesus Christ; let your Gospel be preached with grace and power to
those who have not heard it; turn the hearts of those who resist it; and
bring home to your fold those who have gone astray; that there may be
one flock under one shepherd, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Leader: Let us commit ourselves to God, and pray for the grace of a holy life, that,
with all who have departed this world and have died in the peace of
Christ, and those whose faith is known to God alone, we may be
accounted worthy to enter into the fullness of the joy of our Lord, and
receive the crown of life in the day of resurrection.

Silence

Presider: O God of unchangeable power and eternal light: Look favorably on
your whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; by the effectual
working of your providence, carry out in tranquility the plan of salvation;
let the whole world see and know that things which were cast down are
being raised up, and things which had grown old are being made new,
and that all things are being brought to their perfection by him, through
whom all things were made, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives
and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and
ever. **Amen.**

Veneration of the Cross

*(At this time, we invite people to take a yellow ribbon and thumbtack over to the tall
crosses ; spend a moment in silent prayer or contemplation of the crucifixion of
Jesus and all that his dying means for us. Please use the thumbtack to fasten your ribbon to
the cross)*

The Old Rugged Cross

1. On a hill far a - way stood an old rug - ged cross,
2. Oh, that old rug - ged cross so de - spised by the world,
3. In the old rug - ged cross, stained with blood so di - vine,
4. To the old rug - ged cross I will ev - er be true,

1. The _____ em - blem of suf - f'ring _____ and shame; _____
2. Has a won - drous at - trac - tion for me; _____
3. A _____ won - drous beau - ty I see; _____
4. Its _____ shame and re - proach glad - ly bear; _____

1. And I love that old cross where the dear - est and best
2. For the dear Lamb of God left His glo - ry a - bove,
3. For 'twas on that old cross Je - sus suf - fered and died,
4. Then He'll call me some day to my home far a - way,

1. For a world of lost sinners was slain. _____
 2. To _____ bear it to dark Cal - va - ry. _____
 3. To _____ par - don and sanc - ti - fy me. _____
 4. Where His glo - ry for - ev - er I'll share. _____

Words: George Bennard (1873-1960)
 Music: George Bennard

Hymn continues on the next page.

old rug - ged cross _____
 So I'll cher - ish the cross, the old rug - ged cross,
 old rug - ged cross, _____

Till my tro - phies at last I lay down; _____

old rug - ged cross, _____
 I will cling to the cross, — the old rug - ged cross,
 old rug - ged cross, _____

And ex - change it some day for a crown. _____

The image shows a musical score for two staves, treble and bass clef, in a key with one flat (B-flat). The melody is written in the treble clef and the bass line in the bass clef. The lyrics are placed below the treble staff. The music consists of several measures of music, including a final measure with a long note and a fermata.

Communion from Reserved Sacrament:

Presider: Almighty Father, whose dear Son, on the night before he suffered, instituted the Sacrament of his Body and Blood:
 Mercifully grant that we may receive it thankfully in remembrance of Jesus Christ our Lord, who in these holy mysteries gives us a pledge of eternal life; and who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

And now as our savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

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,
 and the power, and the glory,
 or ever and ever. Amen.**

Presider: 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 and with thanksgiving.

Communion music #33 LEVAS *He Never Said a Mumbalin' Word*

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.

Words: Traditional

Music: Negro Spiritual; arr. Carl Haywood (b. 1949), from *The Haywood Collection of Negro Spirituals*, Copyright © 1992.

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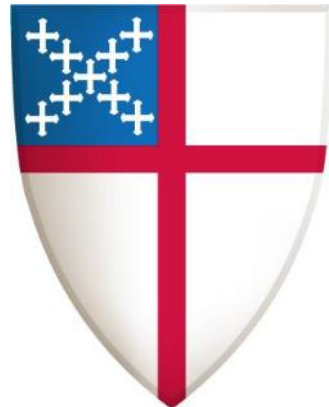
Presider: Let us pray.

**All: 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 everlasting life and glory; for with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, one God, now and for ever.
Amen.**

(The Candle of Presence on the altar is extinguished, the remaining reserved sacrament is placed in the “tomb” / shed, the door closed, and ministers depart in silence)



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