Good Friday Outdoor Stations of the Cross

Welcome to St. Martin's Good Friday Prayer Walk. This is your household's booklet.

Whatever your views and beliefs about Christianity are...whether you're a lifelong Episcopalian or just curious about what this whole Jesus thing is about...you are fully welcome to come and participate.

Good Friday is when the church remembers Jesus' crucifixion & death. There are a variety of ways within the Christian tradition of understanding these events but all of them are interpretations in light of Jesus' resurrection on Easter Sunday. This prayer walk is no different. It will not give you a singular, fixed way of understanding the cross but it will offer you several ways of understanding these somber events in ways that are life giving, healing, and ultimately liberating.

This prayer walk is intended to be a self-paced, self-guided experience. In this booklet you will find all the information you need for each of the stations.

You can also go to our website: <u>churchofstmartin.org</u> and click on the "Good Friday Outdoor Stations" box near the top of the home page. There you will find audio recordings for each of the 5 stations, and if you prefer you can listen to the scripture passages, prayers, and reflections at each station.

There are 5 stations in this prayer walk, associated with various Stations of the Cross:

Station 1 – Jesus takes up his cross

Station 2 – Jesus sees his mother & is helped by Simon

Station 3 – Jesus falls & Veronica wipes his face

Station 4 – Jesus is nailed to the cross

Station 5 – Jesus dies and is buried

After this introduction there is a map that shows where each of the stations are located.

Finally, if you are new to St. Martin's and would like to join us for the second half of this story, Easter Sunday, our main Easter service will be at 10 am on Sunday on zoom and Facebook Live. You can find information about that service on our website: churchofstmartin.org Blessings on your walk, and may your time going through the stations nourish your soul.