



THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN

Good Friday: The Way of the Cross April 7, 2023 at 3:00pm

PLACEMENT OF THE CROSS

Please stand, as you are able.

A wooden cross will be brought into the church and placed in the sight of the people.

OPENING DEVOTIONS

Presider In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Presider Lord, have mercy.

People **Christ, have mercy.**

Presider Lord, have mercy.

Presider and People

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those
who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.

Leader We will glory in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ:

People **In whom is our salvation, our life and resurrection.**

Presider Let us pray. Assist us mercifully with your help, O Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts, whereby you have given us life and immortality; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

You may stay in your seat or move with the clergy from station to station during the meditations.

FIRST STATION: Jesus is condemned to death

Presider We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you:

People **Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.**

Leader As soon as it was morning, the chief priests, with the elders and scribes, and the whole council, held a consultation; and they bound Jesus and led him away and delivered him to Pilate. And they all condemned him and said, "He deserves to die." When Pilate heard these words, he brought Jesus out and sat down on the judgment seat at a place called the Pavement, but in the Hebrew, Gabbatha. Then he handed Jesus over to them to be crucified.

Presider God did not spare his own Son:

People **But delivered him up for us all.**

Presider Let us pray. Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: Mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. **Amen.**

People **Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, Have mercy upon us.**

SECOND STATION: Jesus accepts his Cross

Presider We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you:

People **Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.**

Leader Jesus went out, bearing his own cross, to the place called the place of a skull, which is called in Hebrew, Golgotha. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered. Like a lamb he was led to the slaughter; and like a sheep that before its shearers is mute, so he opened not his mouth. Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and riches and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and blessing.

Presider The Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all:

People **For the transgression of my people was he stricken.**

Presider Let us pray. Almighty God, whose beloved Son willingly endured the agony and shame of the cross for our redemption: Give us courage to take up our cross and follow him; who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

People **Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, Have mercy upon us.**

THIRD STATION: Jesus falls the first time

Presider We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you:

People **Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.**

Leader Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped; but emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, and was born in human likeness. And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him, and bestowed on him the name which is above every name. Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, and kneel before the Lord our Maker, for he is the Lord our God.

Presider Surely he has borne our griefs:

People **And carried our sorrows.**

Presider Let us pray. O God, you know us to be set in the midst of so many and great dangers, that by reason of the frailty of our nature we cannot always stand upright: Grant us such strength and protection as may support us in all dangers, and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

People **Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, Have mercy upon us.**

FOURTH STATION: Jesus meets his sorrowful mother

Presider We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you:

People **Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.**

Leader To what can I liken you, to what can I compare you, O daughter of Jerusalem? What likeness can I use to comfort you, O virgin daughter of Zion? For vast as the sea is your ruin. Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. The Lord will be your everlasting light, and your days of mourning shall be ended.

Presider A sword will pierce your own soul also:

People **And fill your heart with bitter pain.**

Presider Let us pray. O God, who willed that in the passion of your Son a sword of grief should pierce the soul of the Blessed Virgin Mary his mother: Mercifully grant that your Church, having shared with her in his passion, may be made worthy to share in the joys of his resurrection; who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

People **Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, Have mercy upon us.**

FIFTH STATION: Simon helps carry the cross

Presider We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you:

People **Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.**

Leader As they led Jesus away, they came upon a man of Cyrene, Simon by name, who was coming in from the country, and laid on him the cross to carry it behind Jesus. "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

Presider Whoever does not bear his own cross and come after me:

People **Cannot be my disciple.**

Presider Let us pray. Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son came not to be served but to serve: Bless all who, following in his steps, give themselves to the service of others; that with wisdom, patience, and courage, they may minister in his Name to the suffering, the friendless, and the needy; for the love of him who laid down his life for us, your Son our Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

People **Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, Have mercy upon us.**

SIXTH STATION: Veronica offers her veil to Jesus

Presider We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you:

People **Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.**

Leader We have seen him without beauty or majesty, with no looks to attract our eyes. He was despised and rejected by men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief; and as one from whom men hide their faces, he was despised, and we esteemed him not. His appearance was so marred, beyond human semblance, and his form beyond that of the children of men. But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that made us whole, and with his stripes we are healed.

Presider Restore us, O Lord God of hosts:

People **Show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.**

Presider Let us pray. O God, who before the passion of your only-begotten Son revealed his glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

People **Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, Have mercy upon us**

SEVENTH STATION: Jesus falls the second time

Presider We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you:

People **Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.**

Leader Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all. He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth. For the transgression of my people was he stricken.

Presider But as for me, I am a worm and no man:

People **Scorned by all and despised by the people.**

Presider Let us pray. Almighty and everliving God, in your tender love for the human race you sent your Son our Savior Jesus Christ to take upon him our nature, and to suffer death upon the cross,

giving us the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant that we may walk in the way of his suffering, and also share in his resurrection; who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

People **Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, Have mercy upon us.**

EIGHTH STATION: Jesus speaks to the women of Jerusalem

Presider We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you:

People **Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.**

Leader There followed after Jesus a great multitude of the people, and among them were women who bewailed and lamented him. But Jesus turning to them said, “Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children.”

Presider Those who sowed with tears:

People **Will reap with songs of joy.**

Presider Let us pray. Teach your Church, O Lord, to mourn the sins of which it is guilty, and to repent and forsake them; that, by your pardoning grace, the results of our iniquities may not be visited upon our children and our children’s children; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

People **Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, Have mercy upon us.**

NINTH STATION: Jesus falls the third time

Presider We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you:

People **Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.**

Leader I am the man who has seen affliction under the rod of his wrath; he has driven and brought me into darkness without any light. He has besieged me and enveloped me with bitterness and tribulation; he has made me dwell in darkness like the dead of long ago. Though I call and cry for help, he shuts out my prayer. He has made my teeth grind on gravel, and made me cower in ashes. “Remember, O Lord, my affliction and bitterness, the wormwood and the gall!”

Presider He was led like a lamb to the slaughter:

People **And like a sheep that before its shearers is mute, so he opened not his mouth.**

Presider Let us pray. O God, by the passion of your blessed Son you made an instrument of shameful death to be for us the means of life: Grant us so to glory in the cross of Christ, that we may gladly suffer shame and loss for the sake of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

People **Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, Have mercy upon us.**

TENTH STATION: Jesus is stripped of his garments

Presider We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you:

People **Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.**

Leader When they came to a place called Golgotha (which means the place of a skull), they offered him wine to drink, mingled with gall; but when he tasted it, he would not drink it. And they divided his garments among them by casting lots. This was to fulfill the scripture which says, “They divided my garments among them; they cast lots for my clothing.”

Presider They gave me gall to eat:

People **And when I was thirsty they gave me vinegar to drink.**

Presider Let us pray. Lord God, whose blessed Son our Savior gave his body to be whipped and his face to be spit upon: Give us grace to accept joyfully the sufferings of the present time, confident of the glory that shall be revealed; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

People **Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, Have mercy upon us.**

ELEVENTH STATION: Jesus is nailed to the cross

Presider We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you:

People **Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.**

Leader When they came to the place which is called The Skull, there they crucified him; and with him they crucified two criminals, one on the right, the other on the left, and Jesus between them. And the scripture was fulfilled which says, “He was numbered with the transgressors.”

Presider They pierce my hands and my feet:

People **They stare and gloat over me.**

Presider Let us pray. Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for the honor of your Name. **Amen.**

People **Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, Have mercy upon us.**

TWELFTH STATION: Jesus dies on the cross

Presider We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you:

People **Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.**

Leader When Jesus saw his mother, and the disciple whom he loved standing near, he said to his mother, “Woman, behold your son!” Then he said to the disciple, “Behold your mother!” And when Jesus had received the vinegar, he said, “It is finished!” And then, crying with a loud voice, he said, “Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.” And he bowed his head, and handed over his spirit.

Presider Christ for us became obedient unto death:

People **Even death on a cross.**

Presider Let us pray. O God, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection delivered us from the power of our enemy: Grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his resurrection; who lives and reigns now and for ever. **Amen.**

People **Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, Have mercy upon us.**

THIRTEENTH STATION: Jesus is taken from the cross

Presider We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you:

People **Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.**

Leader All you who pass by, behold and see if there is any sorrow like my sorrow. My eyes are spent with weeping; my soul is in tumult; my heart is poured out in grief because of the downfall of my people. “Do not call me Naomi (which means Pleasant), call me Mara (which means Bitter); for the Almighty has dealt very bitterly with me.”

Presider Her tears run down her cheeks:

People **And she has none to comfort her.**

Presider Let us pray. Lord Jesus Christ, by your death you took away the sting of death: Grant to us your servants so to follow in faith where you have led the way, that we may at length fall asleep peacefully in you and wake up in your likeness; for your tender mercies 'sake. **Amen.**

People **Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, Have mercy upon us.**

FOURTEENTH STATION: Jesus is laid in the sepulchre

Presider We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you:

People **Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.**

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

Presider You will not abandon me to the grave:

People **Nor let your holy One see corruption.**

Presider Let us pray. O God, your blessed Son was laid in a tomb in a garden, and rested on the Sabbath day: Grant that we who have been buried with him in the waters of baptism may find our perfect rest in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

People **Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One, Have mercy upon us.**

VENERATION OF THE CROSS

If you wish to say a devotion before the cross, you may come forward down the center aisle and offer a prayer in front of the cross. It is appropriate to touch the cross, if you wish.

CONCLUDING PRAYER BEFORE THE ALTAR *Please kneel or stand, as you are able.*

Presider Savior of the world, by your cross and precious blood you have redeemed us:

People **Save us, and help us, we humbly beseech you, O Lord.**

Presider Let us pray.

We thank you, heavenly Father, that you have delivered us from the dominion of sin and death and brought us into the kingdom of your Son; and we pray that, as by his death he has recalled us to life, so by his love he may raise us to eternal joys; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

To Christ our Lord who loves us, and washed us in his own blood, and made us a kingdom of priests to serve his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The People depart in silence.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Presider: The Rev. Dr. Pamela Dolan

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Placement of Cross: Bob Holm

LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

We acknowledge the land on which we are gathered. For thousands of years, this land has been the home of Patwin people. Today, there are three federally-recognized Patwin tribes: Cachil Dehe Band of Wintun Indians of the Colusa Indian Community, Kletsel Dehe Wintun Nation, and Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation. The Patwin people have remained committed to the stewardship of this land over many centuries. It has been cherished and protected, as elders have instructed the young through generations. We are honored and grateful to be here today on their traditional lands.

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The Episcopal Church of St. Martin
Announcements for April 6th - 9th

Holy Week: We Continue to Walk Together on the Journey to the Cross and the Empty Tomb

Good Friday, April 7

12pm - 3pm: Outdoor, self-guided Stations of the Cross prayer walk (Spanish and English)

3pm: Indoor, guided Stations of the Cross with optional veneration of the cross. (In person only).

8:30pm: Compline (online only) at 8:30pm with Good Friday prayers.

Holy Saturday, April 8

11am – 12pm: Spirituality in Nature Gathering (SING). Join us for one hour of prayer and reflection on God's good creation and what it has to teach us about loss and the hope of resurrection. We'll experience an "Ecological Stations of the Cross" together. In the narthex and meditation garden.

8pm: Easter Vigil and Rite II Holy Eucharist. This ancient service begins with the lighting of the New Fire and a procession through darkness into the light of Easter. Dramatic readings, beautiful music, and baptisms will move us through the story of salvation. This is truly a night not to be missed, and the perfect beginning of the Easter season. (in person and livestreamed)

Easter Sunday, April 9

8am: Festive Choral Holy Eucharist (In person only)

10am: Festive Choral Holy Eucharist (In person and livestreamed)

Celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord with the choir at both services. After the 10am service, please stay for an Easter Egg Hunt, kid-friendly egg dyeing, and Easter brunch.

Easter Offering

It is a long-time tradition at St. Martin's that our two biggest annual "plate offerings," Christmas and Easter, go to worthy organizations doing work in line with our values and priorities. This year's Easter Plate offering will go **50% to Aggie House**, a student run transitional housing shelter that provides rent free housing, meals and case management services for UC Davis students experiencing homelessness and housing difficulty, and **50 % to World Relief Sacramento** for financial assistance for an Afghan refugee single mother of five resettling in Sacramento. Please make checks out to The Church of St. Martin and add "Easter Offering" to the memo line. You may also give online using the blue GIVE button on St. Martin's website. After clicking GIVE, use the drop-down menu to select "Easter Offering – 2023." Thank you in advance for your generosity!