

# GOOD FRIDAY

15<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2022

*Come to Jesus*

## WELCOME TO WORSHIP

### OPENING DECLARATION ON THE CROSS: (1 Corinthians 1:18ff GNT)

**P:** "The message about Christ's death on the cross is nonsense to those who are being lost, but for all who are being saved it is God's power...For God in his wisdom made it impossible for people to know him by means of their own wisdom. Instead, God decided to save those who believe by means of the 'foolish' message we preach. Jews want miracles for proof, & Greeks look for wisdom. As for us we proclaim Christ on the Cross; a message that is offensive to the Jews & nonsense to the non-Jews. But to those called by God to salvation...Christ is the power of God & the wisdom of God."

**C:** "May I never boast about anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ." There alone is my life, my hope & my salvation.

### THE PASSION: Luke 22:39-54

Song: How great is our God

*Grow in His Grace*

### THE PASSION: Luke 22:55-62

Song: How Deep the fathers Love For Us

### THE PASSION: Luke 22:63-23:1

## REPENTANCE AND HEALING:

**P:** The cross Jesus bears this day is for sinners like us. Let us pray.  
Lord Jesus, Saviour of the world...

**C:** **Forgive us that in spite of the cross, we seek to make following you a comfortable easy way of life. Forgive us that our preference runs to our own self-centered wants, rather than Golgotha with its rough wood & cruel nails. Forgive us that on the most heart-rending holy days we are more inclined to be religious than we to be redeemed.**

**P:** Shock us again with the raw, painful glory of your Cross. Grant that we may never be casual before that awesome love.

**C:** **Saving God make us reachable & teachable, more responsive to your saving grace & willing captives of the love which grants perfect liberty.**

**P:** By your cross deliver us from every sin which corrupts us, every weight which pulls us down, & set our face towards the light which comes not to condemn but to save. Through Jesus Christ our Lord....**Amen**

### THE PASSION: Luke 23:2-12

**P:** Loving God, have mercy on your human family, for whom Christ Jesus accepted the shame of betrayal, trial, abuse & crucifixion. May we who love him a little, & hope to love him more, cling to him in faith & renew our trust in his promises to us. Then by his grace, & in the power of your Holy Spirit, may we worship & serve you now & forever. **Amen.**

Song: In Christ Alone

THE PASSION: Luke 23:13-25

THE SERMON: UNCONVENTIONAL WARFARE: A PLAN OF SACRIFICE

THE PASSION: Luke 23:26-43

OFFERING SONG: Jesus Strong and Kind

## PRAYERS:

### THE COMMUNION

*Words of Institution & The Lord's Prayer:*

**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. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, & the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

*Worship during distribution: Death Was Arrested (NorthPoint)*

*Go In His Power*

### COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER: (Hebrews 12)

**P:** The crucified Jesus Christ fill you with his saving love & grace.

**C: Amen.**

Sisters and brothers, we stand surrounded by all those who have gone before; an enormous cloud of witnesses. So let us drop every extra weight, every sin that clings to us and slackens our pace, and let us run with endurance the long race set before us.

We keep our eyes and hearts locked onto Jesus, who designed and completes our faith. He endured the cross and ignored the shame of that death because He was anchored in the joy set before Him; the joy of our salvation, and now He is seated beside God on the throne in the place of highest honour.

In the same way, let us also focus on the race ahead as the † Lord Jesus leads you into the days of this week strong in the presence of the Holy Spirit, and confident in the presence, power, and provision of God the Father with you at all times in all things. Amen

THE PASSION: Luke 23:44-56

*Show His Love*