



Let Us Worship God

A Church without gathering but in full connexion and communion

Good Friday 2020



Pink Crucifixion (2004) by Craigie Aitchison (1926-2009)

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Joining for Good Friday worship:

By phone: Dial in using **01223 320 694.**

Contact us if you need the pin number to join.

Once the service starts (1pm), please refrain from talking as everyone will hear you and you will stop others to hear the service.

Online: join us either using

- using the link on Facebook “Metropolitan Community Church Glasgow” or “Shettleston Trinity Methodist Church” pages or click on: bit.ly/EGSunday (The order of Service is available to download and the service will start at 1pm)
- linking on Trinity Methodist Church (Shettleston) website: <http://trinity-methodist-shettleston.org.uk/worship/>
- Or find us on our Youtube channel:
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCnO-QR4uiYdPHHWVNsRGq6A>



Crucifixion polyptych (1962) Francis Hoyland (1930-)

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Order of Service

Good Friday @ 5.30pm

Led by Rev. Jane Clarke and Rev. Laurent Vernet

Welcome

Gathering Prayer

Hymn I

- 1 My song is love unknown,
my Saviour's love to me,
love to the loveless shown,
that they might lovely be.
O who am I,
that for my sake
my Lord should take
frail flesh and die?
- 2 He came from his blest throne,
salvation to bestow;
but they made strange, and none
the longed-for Christ would know.
But O my Friend,
my Friend indeed,
who at my need
his life did spend!

Samuel Crossman (c. 1624–1683)

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Psalm 22: 1 & 2

- ¹ My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?
Why are you so far from helping me, from the words of my groaning?
- ² O my God, I cry by day, but you do not answer;
and by night, but find no rest.

NRSV

Reading: Matthew 27:27-31 & 35-46

Matthew 27:27-31: The Soldiers Mock Jesus

²⁷ Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the governor's headquarters,^[a] and they gathered the whole cohort around him. ²⁸ They stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him, ²⁹ and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they put it on his head. They put a reed in his right hand and knelt before him and mocked him, saying, "Hail, King of the Jews!" ³⁰ They spat on him, and took the reed and struck him on the head. ³¹ After mocking him, they stripped him of the robe and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him away to crucify him.

Footnotes:

- a. [Matthew 27:27](#) Gk *the praetorium*

Matthew 27:34-46: The Death of Jesus

³⁴ they offered him wine to drink, mixed with gall; but when he tasted it, he would not drink it. ³⁵ And when they had crucified him, they divided his clothes among themselves by casting lots;^[a] ³⁶ then they sat down there and kept watch over him. ³⁷ Over his head they put the charge against him, which read, "This is Jesus, the King of the Jews."

³⁸ Then two bandits were crucified with him, one on his right and one on his left. ³⁹ Those who passed by derided^[b] him, shaking their heads ⁴⁰ and saying, "You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself! If you are the Son of God, come down from the cross." ⁴¹ In the same way the chief priests also, along with the scribes and elders, were mocking him, saying, ⁴² "He saved others; he cannot save himself.^[c] He is the King of Israel; let him come down from the cross now, and we will believe in him. ⁴³ He trusts in God; let God deliver him now, if he wants to; for he said, 'I am God's Son.'" ⁴⁴ The bandits who were crucified with him also taunted him in the same way.

⁴⁵ From noon on, darkness came over the whole land^[d] until three in the afternoon. ⁴⁶ And about three o'clock Jesus cried with a loud voice, "Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?" that is, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"

Footnotes:

- a. [Matthew 27:35](#) Other ancient authorities add *in order that what had been spoken through the prophet might be fulfilled, "They divided my clothes among themselves, and for my clothing they cast lots."*

- b. [Matthew 27:39](#) Or *blasphemed* – c- [Matthew 27:42](#) Or *is he unable to save himself?* d- [Matthew 27:45](#) Or *earth*

Hymn II

- 3 Sometimes they strew his way,
and his sweet praises sing;
resounding all the day
hosannas to their King.
Then 'Crucify!'
is all their breath,
and for his death
they thirst and cry.
- 4 Why, what has my Lord done?
What makes this rage and spite?
He made the lame to run,
he gave the blind their sight.
Sweet injuries!
Yet they at these
themselves displease,
and 'gainst him rise.
- 5 They rise, and needs will have
my dear Lord made away;
a murderer they save,
the Prince of Life they slay.
Yet cheerful he
to suffering goes,
that he his foes
from thence might free.

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Easter Message from Rev. Jane Clarke

Prayer of Intercession

Lord's Prayer

Hymn III

- 6 In life no house, no home,
my Lord on earth might have;
in death, no friendly tomb
but what a stranger gave.
What may I say?
Heaven was his home;
but mine the tomb
wherein he lay.
- 7 Here might I stay and sing,
no story so divine:
never was love, dear King,
never was grief like thine!
This is my Friend,
in whose sweet praise
I all my days
could gladly spend.

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Blowing of the candle of light and life

Psalm 22: 27 & 28

- ²⁷ All the ends of the earth shall remember
and turn to the Lord;
and all the families of the nations
shall worship before him. [\[1\]](#)
- ²⁸ For dominion belongs to the Lord,
and he rules over the nations.

Check on MCC Glasgow and Shettleston Methodist Church social media regarding other Easter services and Celebrations.

**May God bless us all,
as the divine one made us all,
in Their/Her/His image.**