



## Midhurst Parish Church

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2021, 2:15pm

# Good Friday Service of the Cross



*This order of service is for you to use as you join in with our online Zoom service. Meeting ID: 342 119 948*

## The Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you

**All** and also with you.

*Dave welcomes everyone to the service.*

## The Collect

Almighty Father, look with mercy on this your family for which our Lord Jesus Christ was content to be betrayed and given up into the hands of sinners and to suffer death upon the cross; who is alive and glorified with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**All** Amen

## First Reading: John 18:1-27

## Second Reading: John 18:28-19:16

## Hymn

1. Oh, to see the dawn  
Of the darkest day:  
Christ on the road to Calvary.  
Tried by sinful men,  
Torn and beaten, then  
Nailed to a cross of wood.

*This, the power of the cross:  
Christ became sin for us,  
Took the blame, bore the wrath:  
We stand forgiven at the cross.*

2. Oh, to see the pain  
Written on Your face  
Bearing the awesome weight of sin;  
Every bitter thought,  
Every evil deed  
Crowning Your bloodstained brow.

*This, the power of the cross...*

3. Now the daylight flees,  
Now the ground beneath  
Quakes as its Maker bows His head.  
Curtain torn in two,  
Dead are raised to life;  
'Finished!' the victory cry.

*This, the power of the cross...*

4. Oh, to see my name  
Written in the wounds,  
For through Your suffering I am free.  
Death is crushed to death,  
Life is mine to live,  
Won through Your selfless love.

*This, the power of the cross:  
Son of God, slain for us.  
What a love! What a cost!  
We stand forgiven at the cross.*

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## Third Reading: John 19:17-end

### The Homily

*Rev Jane*

### Prayers of Intercession

*The response to the prayers is...*

Lord, hear us

**All** Lord, graciously hear us.

### The Lord's Prayer

Standing at the foot of the cross, as our Saviour taught us, so we pray

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

### Hymn

1. When I survey the wondrous cross  
on which the Prince of glory died,  
my richest gain I count but loss,  
and pour contempt on all my pride.
2. Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,  
save in the death of Christ my God!  
All the vain things that charm me most,  
I sacrifice them to His blood.
3. See from His head, His hands, His feet,  
sorrow and love flow mingled down!  
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,  
or thorns compose so rich a crown?
4. His dying crimson, like a robe,  
spreads o'er His body on the tree;  
Then I am dead to all the globe,  
and all the globe is dead to me.
5. Were the whole realm of nature mine,  
that were a present far too small;  
Love so amazing, so divine,  
demands my soul, my life, my all.

*Isaac Watts (1674-1748)*

### The Conclusion

O Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, set your passion, cross and death between your judgement and our souls, now and in the hour of our death. Grant mercy and grace to the living, rest to the departed, to your Church peace and concord and to us sinners forgiveness, and everlasting life and glory; for, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, you are alive and reign, God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

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