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9:30am Good Friday Service



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Preacher: Revd Lansford Penn-Timity

Matthew 28:1-10

1 Corinthians 15:50-58

LIVE STREAM WELCOME

Revd Tony Miles

VIDEO – What is a home?

The Passage

INTRODUCTION AND NAILS

Revd Tony Miles

SILENCE

VIDEO ANTHEM 1 – Lead Me Lord

Lead me, Lord, lead me in thy righteousness, make thy way plain before my face.

For it is thou, Lord, only, that makest me dwell in safety.

Words from Psalm 5:8, 4:8

OPENING PRAYERS

Led by Revd Tony Miles

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Please join in using your own language or the version you prefer

**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.**

**For the kingdom, the power
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever.**

Amen.

VIDEO REFLECTION – The Cross – Good Friday

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VIDEO SONG – Amazing Grace

Amazing grace — how sweet the sound —
that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found,
was blind, but now I see.

God's grace has taught my heart to fear,
his grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed!

Through many dangers, toils and snares
I have already come;
God's grace has brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me,
his word my hope secures;
he will my shield and portion be
as long as life endures.

And, when this heart and flesh shall fail
and mortal life shall cease,
I shall possess within the veil
a life of joy and peace.

When we've been there ten thousand years
bright shining as the sun,
we've no less days to sing God's praise
than when we first begun.

John Newton

VIDEO GOSPEL LESSON – Matthew 26:36-50

Read by Ollie McEwen (PA to Revd Tony Miles and Church administrator)

³⁶ Then Jesus went with his disciples to a place called Gethsemane, and he said to them, 'Sit here while I go over there and pray.'³⁷ He took Peter and the two sons of Zebedee along with him, and he began to be sorrowful and troubled.

³⁸ Then he said to them, 'My soul is overwhelmed with sorrow to the point of death. Stay here and keep watch with me.'

³⁹ Going a little farther, he fell with his face to the ground and prayed, 'My Father, if it is possible, may this cup be taken from me. Yet not as I will, but as you will.'

⁴⁰ Then he returned to his disciples and found them sleeping. 'Couldn't you men keep watch with me for one hour?' he asked Peter.⁴¹ 'Watch and pray so that you will not fall into temptation. The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak.'

⁴² He went away a second time and prayed, 'My Father, if it is not possible for this cup to be taken away unless I drink it, may your will be done.'

⁴³ When he came back, he again found them sleeping, because their eyes were heavy.⁴⁴ So he left them and went away once more and prayed the third time, saying the same thing.

⁴⁵ Then he returned to the disciples and said to them, 'Are you still sleeping and resting? Look, the hour has come, and the Son of Man is delivered into the hands of sinners. ⁴⁶ Rise! Let us go! Here comes my betrayer!'

⁴⁷ While he was still speaking, Judas, one of the Twelve, arrived. With him was a large crowd armed with swords and clubs, sent from the chief priests and the elders of the people. ⁴⁸ Now the betrayer had arranged a signal with them: 'The one I kiss is the man; arrest him.' ⁴⁹ Going at once to Jesus, Judas said, 'Greetings, Rabbi!' and kissed him.

⁵⁰ Jesus replied, 'Do what you came for, friend.'

Then the men stepped forward, seized Jesus and arrested him.

SILENCE

VIDEO PRAYER

Led by Deacon Ali McMillan

VIDEO SONG – The Servant King

From heaven you came,
helpless babe, entered our world, your glory veiled;
not to be served but to serve,
and give Your life that we might live.

*This is our God, the Servant King,
he calls us now to follow Him,
to bring our lives as a daily offering
of worship to the Servant King.*

There in the garden of tears,
my heavy load he chose to bear;
his heart with sorrow was torn,
'Yet not My will but Yours,' He said.

Refrain

Come see His hands and His feet,
the scars that speak of sacrifice;
hands that flung stars into space
to cruel nails surrendered.

Refrain

So let us learn how to serve,
and in our lives enthrone Him;
each other's needs to prefer,
for it is Christ we're serving.

Refrain (x2)

Graham Kendrick

2ND VIDEO GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 27:15-31 TNIV
Read by Mick Clarke (CEO of The Passage)

¹⁵ Now it was the governor's custom at the festival to release a prisoner chosen by the crowd. ¹⁶ At that time they had a well-known prisoner whose name was Jesus Barabbas. ¹⁷ So when the crowd had gathered, Pilate asked them, 'Which one do you want me to release to you: Jesus Barabbas, or Jesus who is called the Messiah?' ¹⁸ For he knew it was out of envy that they had handed Jesus over to him.

¹⁹ While Pilate was sitting on the judge's seat, his wife sent him this message: 'Don't have anything to do with that innocent man, for I have suffered a great deal today in a dream because of him.'

²⁰ But the chief priests and the elders persuaded the crowd to ask for Barabbas and to have Jesus executed.

²¹ 'Which of the two do you want me to release to you?' asked the governor.

'Barabbas,' they answered.

²² 'What shall I do, then, with Jesus who is called the Messiah?' Pilate asked.

They all answered, 'Crucify him!'

²³ 'Why? What crime has he committed?' asked Pilate.

But they shouted all the louder, 'Crucify him!'

²⁴ When Pilate saw that he was getting nowhere, but that instead an uproar was starting, he took water and washed his hands in front of the crowd. 'I am innocent of this man's blood,' he said. 'It is your responsibility!'

²⁵ All the people answered, 'His blood is on us and on our children!'

²⁶ Then he released Barabbas to them. But he had Jesus flogged, and handed him over to be crucified.

²⁷ Then the governor's soldiers took Jesus into the Praetorium and gathered the whole company of soldiers round him. ²⁸ They stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him, ²⁹ and then twisted together a crown of thorns and set it on his head. They put a staff in his right hand as a sceptre. Then they knelt in front of him and mocked him. 'Hail, king of the Jews!' they said. ³⁰ They spat on him, and took the staff and struck him on the head again and again. ³¹ After they had mocked him, they took off the robe and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him away to crucify him.

SILENCE

VIDEO MUSIC – Ave Verum - Mozart

GLOBAL GREETINGS FROM RWANDA
Revd Dr Wendy Kilworth-Mason

INTRODUCE OFFERING
Revd Tony Miles

OFFERING PRAYER
Revd Tony Miles

VIDEO REFLECTION – Man of Sorrows
Rype TV

3RD GOSPEL READING – Matthew 27:33-50
Read by Revd Tricia Hillas, Canon of Westminster, Archdeacon and Chaplain to the Speaker of the House of Commons

³³ They came to a place called Golgotha (which means ‘the place of the skull’). ³⁴ There they offered Jesus wine to drink, mixed with gall; but after tasting it, he refused to drink it. ³⁵ When they had crucified him, they divided up his clothes by casting lots. ³⁶ And sitting down, they kept watch over him there. ³⁷ Above his head they placed the written charge against him: this is Jesus, the king of the Jews.

³⁸ Two rebels were crucified with him, one on his right and one on his left. ³⁹ Those who passed by hurled insults at him, shaking their heads ⁴⁰ and saying, ‘You who are going to destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself! Come down from the cross, if you are the Son of God!’ ⁴¹ In the same way the chief priests, the teachers of the law and the elders mocked him. ⁴² ‘He saved others,’ they said, ‘but he can’t save himself! He’s the king of Israel! Let him come down now from the cross, and we will believe in him.’ ⁴³ He trusts in God. Let God rescue him now if he wants him, for he said, “I am the Son of God.” ⁴⁴ In the same way the rebels who were crucified with him also heaped insults on him.

⁴⁵ From noon until three in the afternoon darkness came over all the land. ⁴⁶ About three in the afternoon Jesus cried out in a loud voice, ‘Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?’ (which means ‘My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?’).

⁴⁷ When some of those standing there heard this, they said, ‘He’s calling Elijah.’

⁴⁸ Immediately one of them ran and got a sponge. He filled it with wine vinegar, put it on a staff, and offered it to Jesus to drink. ⁴⁹ The rest said, ‘Now leave him alone. Let’s see if Elijah comes to save him.’

⁵⁰ And when Jesus had cried out again in a loud voice, he gave up his spirit.

SILENCE

VIDEO REFLECTION
Led by Father John Scott – Reading words of Cardinal Newman,
Cathedral Chaplain, Westminster Cathedral

VIDEO SONG – Were you There
re: Think Worship

PRAYERS

Revd Lansford Penn-Timothy

VIDEO HYMN – When I Survey The Wondrous Cross

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.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast
save in the cross of Christ my God;
the very things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to his blood.

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?

His dying crimson, like a robe,
spreads o'er his body on the tree;
then am I dead to all the globe,
and all the globe is dead to me.

Were the whole realm of nature mine,
that were an offering far too small;
love so amazing, so divine,
demands my soul, my life, my all.

Isaac Watts

FINAL PRAYERS FOR OTHERS AND THE BLESSING

Revd Tony Miles

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