

St. Paul's Cathedral

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RECONCILING LOVE

A Liturgy for Good Friday March 30, 2018

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You will need this sheet and a hymn book this morning.

We use today music of the TAIZE community. The music is chant-like and designed to be repeated many times in succession. Simply join in or rest and listen as appropriate.

WE GATHER TOGETHER

HYMN 634 Jesus Remember Me

Celebrant All we like sheep have gone astray;
we have turned every one to his own way,

People And the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all. Celebrant
Christ the Lord became obedient unto death,

People Even death on a cross.

Silence

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, look graciously, we pray, on this your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed and given into the hands of sinners, and to suffer death upon the cross; who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

HYMN 549 Our Darkness is never darkness in your Sight

A READING FROM HEBREWS 10.16–25

Carol Patch

FROM PSALM 22

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?
and are so far from my cry
and from the words of my distress?

**O my God, I cry in the daytime, but you do not answer;
by night as well, but I find no rest.**

Yet you are the Holy One,
enthroned upon the praises of Israel . . .

**Yet you are he who took me out of the womb,
and kept me safe upon my mother's breast.**

I have been entrusted to you ever since I was born;
you were my God when I was still in my mother's womb.

**Be not far from me, for trouble is near,
and there is none to help . . .**

Be not far away, O Lord;
you are my strength; hasten to help me.

CHORAL ANTHEM

THE READING OF THE PASSION ACCORDING TO JOHN *read by members
of Cathedral Committee. Please remain seated until invited to stand*

HOMILY The Dean

Hymn 553 Ubi Caritas et amor

GOOD FRIDAY PRAYERS

Based on a rite by Paul Galbreath, Leading into The World, adapt kjg

For forty days. Jesus went into the wilderness to discern God's call.

For forty days, we have prepared ourselves for today.

May God's Spirit accompany us as we seek to discover God's call.

**Let us worship God who leads us through the wilderness
and times of trial.**

Creator God, whose Son faced temptation forty days in the wilderness,
**teach us how to live in such unity with you and your world
that we may also refuse those temptations that we face. Amen.**

Grant us grace to so order our lives,
living as members of your good created world,
**that all creation may well thrive in good measure,
without want or fear of want. Amen.**

We live in a world filled with pain and brokenness
where creation groans with us and calls out for God's healing.

**The Good news is that God will not abandon us.
but calls us to acknowledge our dependence on grace
for each and every breath of life;**

And for this we are grateful. Amen.

In faith, let us admit our sin to God and to one another.

Quiet reflection – after which we pray together this ancient prayer:

**Lord, for thy tender mercy's sake,
lay not our sins to our charge,
but forgive that is past,
and give us grace to amend our sinful lives.
To decline from sin and incline to virtue,
that we may walk in a perfect heart
before thee, now and evermore. Amen.**

The risen Christ meets us here and leads us on our journey.

We know we are forgiven and can live in peace.

To You alone O Jesus, we turn in faith, hope and love

Empowered by your Holy Spirit we walk with you

Now, and always. Amen.

THE CARING CROSS

Everyone is invited to come near the cross and light a candle . . . in remembrance, in concern, in thanksgiving . . . During this time please join in some well known Lenten Hymns

202 There is a green hill far away

192 Were you there?

537 In the cross of Christ I glory

CONCLUDING PRAYER

Celebrant Almighty and eternal God,

All you have restored us to life

by the triumphant death and resurrection of Christ.

Continue this healing work within us.

May we who partake of this mystery never cease to give you dedicated service.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

We leave the church quietly.