

THE WAY OF THE CROSS

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At the cross her sta - tion keep - ing, Stood the mourn - ful
For her soul of joy be - reav - ed, Bowed with an - guish,
moth - er weep - ing, Where he hung, the dy - ing Lord:
deep - ly griev - ed, Felt the sharp and pierc - ing sword.

Celebrant In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. **Amen.**

People **Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.**

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. Amen.

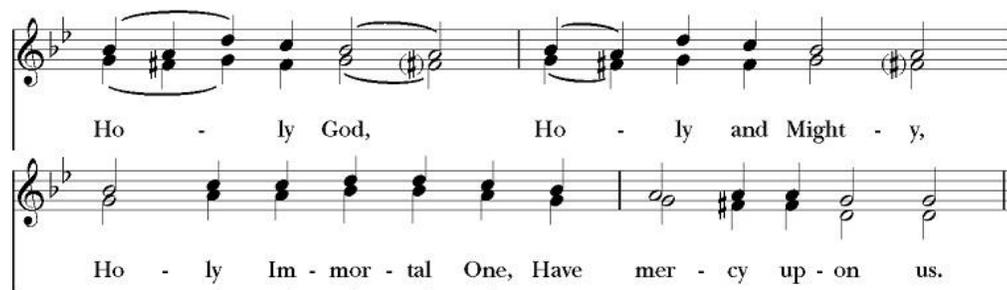
Celebrant God forbid that I should glory

People **Save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, we beseech thee graciously to behold this thy family, for which our Lord Jesus Christ was contented to be betrayed, and given up into the hands of the wicked, and to suffer death upon the cross; who now liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost ever, one God, world without end.
Amen.

✠ *The following Trisagion is sung three times.*



Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,
Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

✠ *All who wish now join the procession to the stations. Other congregants may either kneel or stand.*



THE FIRST STATION JESUS IS CONDEMNED TO DEATH

Celebrant We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee.

People Because by thy holy Cross thou hast redeemed the world.

Celebrant And straightway in the morning the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole council, and bound Jesus, and carried him away, and delivered him to Pilate. And they all condemned him to death. When Pilate therefore heard that saying, he brought Jesus forth, and sat down in the judgment seat in a place that is called the Pavement, but in the Hebrew, Gabbatha. Then delivered he him unto them to be crucified. And they took Jesus, and led him away.

God spared not his own Son

People But delivered him up for us all.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Grant, we beseech thee, Almighty God, that we who for our evil deeds do worthily deserve to be punished, by the comfort of thy grace may mercifully be relieved; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Hymn
O how sad and sore distressed
Now was she, that mother blessed
Of the sole begotten One.



THE SECOND STATION JESUS TAKES UP HIS CROSS

Celebrant We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee.

People Because by thy holy Cross thou hast redeemed the world.

Celebrant And he bearing his cross went forth into a place called the place of a skull, which is called in the Hebrew, Golgotha. Though he were a Son, yet learned he obedience by the things which he suffered. He was led as a sheep to the slaughter; and like a lamb dumb before his shearer, so opened he not his mouth. Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing.

The Lord hath laid on him the iniquity of us all

People For the transgression of his people was he stricken.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: Mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Hymn Deep the woe of her affliction,
When she saw the crucifixion
Of her ever glorious Son.**



THE THIRD STATION JESUS FALLS FOR THE FIRST TIME

Celebrant We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee.

People Because by thy holy Cross thou hast redeemed the world.

Celebrant Christ Jesus, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: but made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men: and being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross. Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name. O come, let us worship and fall down, and kneel before the Lord our Maker, for he is the Lord our God.

Surely he hath borne our griefs

People And carried all our sorrows.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, who knowest us to be set in the midst of so many and great dangers, that by reason of the frailty of our nature we cannot always stand upright: Grant to us such strength and protection, as may support us in all dangers, and carry us through all temptations; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Hymn Who, on Christ's dear Mother gazing,
Pierced by anguish so amazing,
Born of woman, would not weep?**



THE FOURTH STATION JESUS MEETS HIS MOTHER

Celebrant We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee.

People Because by thy holy Cross thou hast redeemed the world.

Celebrant What shall I testify unto thee? What shall I liken to thee, O daughter of Jerusalem? What shall I compare to thee, that I may comfort thee, O virgin daughter of Zion? For thy ruin is deep as the sea: who can heal thee? Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted. The Lord shall be thine everlasting light, and the days of thy mourning shall be ended.

A sword shall pierce through thy own soul also

People That the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed.

Celebrant Let us pray.

We beseech thee, O Lord, pour thy grace into our hearts; that, as we have known the incarnation of thy Son Jesus Christ by the message of an angel, so by his cross and passion we may be brought unto the glory of his resurrection; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Hymn Who, on Christ's dear Mother thinking,
Such a cup of sorrow drinking,
Would not share her sorrows deep?**



THE FIFTH STATION
THE CROSS IS LAID UPON SIMON OF CYRENE

Celebrant We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee.

People Because by thy holy Cross thou hast redeemed the world.

Celebrant And as they came out, they found a man of Cyrene, Simon by name, coming out of the country, and on him they laid the cross, that he might bear it after Jesus. If any one will come after me, let them deny themselves, and take up their cross and follow me. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for my yoke is easy, and my burden light.

Whosoever doth not bear his cross and come after me

People Cannot be my disciple.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, whose blessed Son did overcome death for our salvation: Mercifully grant that we who have his glorious passion in remembrance may take up our cross daily and follow him; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

**Hymn For his people's sins chastised,
She beheld her Son despised,
Scourged, and crowned with thorns entwined.**



THE SIXTH STATION
A WOMAN WIPES THE FACE OF JESUS

Celebrant We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee.

People Because by thy holy Cross thou hast redeemed the world.

Celebrant He hath no form nor comeliness; and when we see him, there is no beauty that we should desire him. He was despised and rejected; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and we hid as it were our faces from him; he was despised, and we esteemed him not. His visage was so marred more than any man, and his form more than the sons of men. He was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed.

Turn us again, O Lord God of hosts

People Show us the light of thy countenance, and we shall be saved.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, who before the passion of thine only begotten Son didst reveal his glory upon the holy mount: Grant unto us thy servants, that in faith beholding the light of his countenance, we may be strengthened to bear the cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory: through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Hymn
Jesus, may her deep devotion
Stir in me the same emotion,
Fount of love, Redeemer kind.



THE SEVENTH STATION JESUS FALLS A SECOND TIME

Celebrant We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee.

People Because by thy holy Cross thou hast redeemed the world.

Celebrant Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to their own way; and the Lord hath laid on him the iniquity of us all. He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth: for the transgression of his people was he stricken.

But as for me, "I am a worm and no man"

People A very scorn of men, and the outcast of my people."

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, who of thy tender love towards humanity, hast sent thy Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, to take upon him our flesh, and to suffer death upon the cross, that all people should follow the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant that we may both follow the example of his patience, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Hymn Saw him then from judgment taken,
And in death by all forsaken,
Till his spirit he resigned.

That my heart fresh ardour gaining,
And a purer love attaining,
May with thee acceptance find.



THE EIGHTH STATION JESUS MEETS THE WOMEN OF JERUSALEM

Celebrant We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee.

People Because by thy holy Cross thou hast redeemed the world.

Celebrant And there followed him a great company of people, which also bewailed and lamented him. But Jesus turning unto them said, “Daughters of Jerusalem, weep not for me, but weep for yourselves, and for your children.”

They that sow in tears

People Shall reap in joy.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, who hatest nothing that thou hast made, and dost forgive the sins of all those who are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of thee, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Hymn As thou bought'st, through tribulation,
In thy passion, my salvation,
Let me bear therein my part.**



THE NINTH STATION JESUS FALLS A THIRD TIME

Celebrant We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee.

People Because by thy holy Cross thou hast redeemed the world.

Celebrant O my people, what have I done unto thee, or wherein have I wearied thee? Testify against me. Because I brought thee forth from the land of Egypt, thou hast prepared a Cross for thy Saviour. Because I led thee through the desert forty years, and fed thee with manna, and brought thee into a land exceeding good, thou hast prepared a Cross for thy Saviour. What more could I have done unto thee that I have not done?

He was led as a sheep to the slaughter

People And like a lamb dumb before his shearer, so opened he not his mouth.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Keep, we beseech thee, O Lord, thy church with thy perpetual mercy; and, because the frailty of humanity without thee cannot but fall, keep us ever by thy help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Hymn Let me mourn, O Lord, beside thee
For the sins which crucified thee.
While my life remains in me.**



THE TENTH STATION JESUS IS STRIPPED OF HIS GARMENTS

Celebrant We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee.

People Because by thy holy Cross thou hast redeemed the world.

Celebrant And when they were come unto a place called Golgotha, that is to say, a place of a skull, they gave him vinegar to drink mingled with gall: and when he had tasted thereof, he would not drink. And they parted his garments, casting lots: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, "They parted my garments among them, and upon my vesture did they cast lots."

They gave me gall to eat

People And when I was thirsty they gave me vinegar to drink.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O Lord God, whose blessed Son, our Saviour, gave his back to the smiters and hid not his face from shame: Grant us grace to take joyfully the sufferings of the present time, in full assurance of the glory that shall be revealed; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Hymn Take beneath the cross my station,
And in all thy desolation
So unite myself with thee.**



THE ELEVENTH STATION
JESUS IS NAILED TO THE CROSS

Celebrant We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee.

People Because by thy holy Cross thou hast redeemed the world.

Celebrant And when they were come to the place which is called Calvary, there they crucified him. And with him they crucified two thieves; the one on his right hand, and the other on his left. And the scripture was fulfilled, which saith, “And he was numbered with the transgressors.” O my people what have I done unto thee? I did raise thee on high with great power: and thou hast hanged me upon the gibbet of the Cross.

I, if I be lifted up

People Will draw all people unto me.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, who by the passion of thy blessed Son hast made the instrument of shameful death to be unto us the means of life and peace: Grant us so to glory in the Cross of Christ, that we may gladly suffer shame and loss; for the sake of the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Hymn
Jesus, great beyond all other,
Turn not from me, heav’nly brother,
Let me too bewail thy pain.



THE TWELFTH STATION JESUS DIES ON THE CROSS

Celebrant We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee.

People Because by thy holy Cross thou hast redeemed the world.

Celebrant When Jesus therefore saw his mother, and the disciple standing by, whom he loved, he saith unto his mother, “Woman, behold thy son!” Then saith he to the disciple, “Behold thy mother!” When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he said, “It is finished.” And when he had cried with a loud voice, he said, “Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit”: and he bowed his head, and gave up the ghost.

Christ for our sake became obedient unto death

People Even the death of the Cross.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, who for our redemption didst give thine only-begotten Son to the death of the Cross, and by his glorious resurrection hast delivered us from the power of our enemy: Grant us so to die daily from sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his resurrection; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Hymn
Let my soul, thy death declaring,
Thy unsparing passion sharing,
Count thy bruises one by one.



THE THIRTEENTH STATION
THE BODY OF JESUS IS PLACED IN THE ARMS OF HIS MOTHER

Celebrant We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee.

People Because by thy holy Cross thou hast redeemed the world.

Celebrant All ye that pass by, behold, and see if there be any sorrow like unto my sorrow...Mine eyes do fail with tears, my soul is troubled; my heart is poured out in grief because of the downfall of my people...Call me not Naomi (Pleasant), call me Mara (Bitter); for the Almighty hath dealt very bitterly with me.

Her tears are on her cheeks

People She hath none to comfort her.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Grant, we beseech thee, merciful Lord, to thy faithful people pardon and peace, that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve thee with a quiet mind; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Hymn
Jesus, may thy Cross defend me,
And thy saving death befriend me,
Cherished by thy deathless grace.



THE FOURTEENTH STATION JESUS IS LAID IN THE TOMB

Celebrant We adore thee, O Christ, and we bless thee.

People Because by thy holy Cross thou hast redeemed the world.

Celebrant When the even had come, there came a rich man of Arimathæa, named Joseph, who also himself was Jesus' disciple: he went to Pilate, and begged the body of Jesus. Then Pilate commanded the body to be delivered. And when Joseph had taken the body, he wrapped it in a clean linen cloth, and laid it in his own new tomb, which he had hewn out of the rock: and he rolled a great stone to the door of the sepulcher, and departed.

Thou shalt not leave my soul in hell

People Neither shalt thou suffer thy Holy One to see corruption.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Grant, O Lord, that as we are baptized into the death of thy blessed Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, so by continual mortifying of our corrupt affections we may be buried with him; and that through the grave, and gate of death, we may pass to our joyful resurrection; for his merits, who died, and was buried, and rose again for us, the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Hymn
When the flames of hell would end me
At the judgment day, defend me,
Gentle Jesus, by thy love.

When to dust my dust returneth,
Grant a soul that to thee yearneth,
In thy Paradise a place. **Amen.**

✠ The Celebrant remains at the Crossing to conclude the service with the following prayers.

Celebrant O Saviour of the world, who by thy Cross and precious Blood hast redeemed us

People Save us, and help us, we humbly beseech thee, O Lord.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty Father, who hast given thine only Son to die for our sins, and to rise again for our justification: Grant us so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness that we may always serve thee in pureness of living and truth; through the merits of the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Now unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood, and hath made us sovereigns and priests unto God and his Father; to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Stations in this booklet are on Old St. Paul's Scottish Episcopal Church in Edinburgh, Scotland. They were acquired in 1995 in a poor state of repair and were restored by the Conservation Department of the National Museums of Scotland in March 1996. The stations were installed in Old Saint Paul's on 23 March 1996, and used for the first time on Palm Sunday 1996.

The stations comprise lime-wood reliefs mounted on an oak base surmounted with the cross, and are to be found on the walls of the nave.

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