

## Good Friday

*On this day the service begins in silence.*

*All then kneel for silent prayer, after which the Celebrant stands and begins the liturgy with the Collect of the Day in the Book of Common Prayer (BCP) on page 276.*

*Celebrant* Blessed be our God.

**People** For ever and ever. Amen.

Let us pray.

Almighty God, we pray you graciously to behold 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.**

*The people may be seated.*

Old Testament A Reading from the Book of Wisdom 2:1;12-24

**Psalm 22: 1-11** Deus, Deus meus

**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.**

**Our forefathers put their trust in you; \***  
**they trusted, and you delivered them.**

**They cried out to you and were delivered; \***  
**they trusted in you and were not put to shame.**

**But as for me, I am a worm and no man, \***  
**scorned by all and despised by the people.**

**All who see me laugh me to scorn; \***  
**they curl their lips and wag their heads, saying,**

**"He trusted in the Lord; let him deliver him; \***  
**let him rescue him, if he delights in him."**

**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.**

**The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John**

**John 19:1-37**

*The people remain seated until the verse which mentions the arrival at Golgotha (John 19:17) when all stand.*

The Sermon

The Rev. Polly H. Robb

**Hymn** *please stand and sing*

**Go to Dark Gethsemane**

**Hymn 171**

**The Solemn Collects**

**BCP 277**

**Hymn** "Were you There When they crucified my Lord?"

**Hymn 172**

**The Lord's Prayer**

## **Closing Prayer**

*Celebrant* Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, we pray you to set your passion, cross, and death between your judgment and our souls, now and in the hour of our death. Give mercy and grace to the living; pardon and rest to the dead; to your holy Church peace and concord; and to us sinners everlasting life and glory; for with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

*The service ends in silent prayer. The people are invited to come kneel or stand at the cross for silent prayer. If you brought your prayer rock, engraved with our Lord's cross which was given to you on Ash Wednesday, you may leave it at the foot of the cross. The words of this anthem may also be said quietly.*

**We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you,  
because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.  
If we have died with him, we shall also live with him;  
if we endure, we shall also reign with him.**