

Churches Together in Tring Good Friday Walk of Witness 2024

Safety Notice

The road will be closed to traffic. We will need to keep to the left side in case of any emergency vehicles and any vehicles that have broken through the closure. For your safety please take note of the following.

- 1. Follow the marshals' directions.**
- 2. Try to keep the procession to four abreast, with vulnerable people on the left side.**
- 3. Fill in any gaps left by slower walkers and if you are a slow walker, please start at the front of the procession.**

Please remember, you are here at your own risk!

Welcome and safety briefing.

Reading – John 13. 12-17

Prayer of Approach

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 death of Christ my God!
all the vain 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?

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)

Walk in silence behind the cross to Dolphin Square as advised on the safety notice above. Assemble in Dolphin Square round the cross. Please move through to fill the square but keep access to shops for those who need it.

Reading - John 19:1-6,15-17a

Prayer - Jesus receives the cross

Hymn - In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found,
he is my light, my strength, my song;
this Cornerstone, this solid Ground,
firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
when fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My Comforter, my All in All,
here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone! – who took on flesh,
fullness of God in helpless babe.
this gift of love and righteousness,
scorned by the ones He came to save:
till on that cross as Jesus died,
the God of love was glorified—
for every sin on Him was laid;
here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay,
light of the world by darkness slain:
then bursting forth in glorious day
up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory
sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
for I am His and He is mine –
bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death,
this is the power of Christ in me;
from life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no scheme of man,
can ever pluck me from His hand:
till He returns or calls me home,
here in the power of Christ I'll stand

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Move through into St Peter and St Paul's churchyard following the cross and gather at the War Memorial end.

Reading - John 19: 18-24, 26-30

Hymn - Were you there?

Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

(repeat)

O, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble,
tremble.

Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

Were you there when they nailed him to a tree?.....

Were you there when they pierced him in the side?.....

Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?....

Trad, Spiritual

Reading - Sunday's Coming by S M Lockridge

Hymn - Once Again

Jesus Christ, I think upon your sacrifice;
you became nothing, poured out to death.
Many times I've wondered at your gift of life,
and I'm in that place once again,
I'm in that place once again,

*And once again I look upon the cross where you died,
I'm humbled by your mercy and I'm broken inside.
Once again I thank you, once again I pour out my life.*

Now you are exalted to the highest place,
King of the heavens, where one day I'll bow.
But for now I marvel at this saving grace,
and I'm full of praise once again,
I'm full of praise once again.

And once again...

Thank you for the cross, thank you for the cross,
thank you for the cross, my friend.
Thank you for the cross, thank you for the cross,
thank you for the cross, my friend.

And once again

(repeat chorus).

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Prayers

Hymn - I Heard the voice of Jesus Say

I heard the voice of Jesus say,
“Come unto Me and rest;
lay down, thou weary one, lay down
thy head upon My breast.”

I came to Jesus as I was,
so weary worn and sad;
I found in Him a resting-place,
and He has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say,
“Behold, I freely give
the living water; thirsty one,
stoop down, and drink, and live.”

I came to Jesus, and I drank
of that life-giving stream;
my thirst was quenched, my soul revived,
and now I live in Him.

I heard the voice of Jesus say,
“I am this dark world’s light;
look unto Me, thy morn shall rise,
and all thy day be bright.”

I looked to Jesus, and I found
in Him my Star, my Sun;
and in that light of life I’ll walk,
till trav’ling days are done.

Horatius Bonar (1808-1889)

Prayer and Blessing, ending with

Let us go now, to let our love of others grow and
spread out to all the world.

In the name of Christ, Amen

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**You are warmly invited to join together in St
Peter and St Paul’s church for tea coffee etc.
and hot cross buns after the service.
(By donation if you are able contribute.)
(Please ask for Gluten Free hot cross buns.)**

**You are welcome to join in Easter Sunday
Worship at any of our churches in Tring.**