

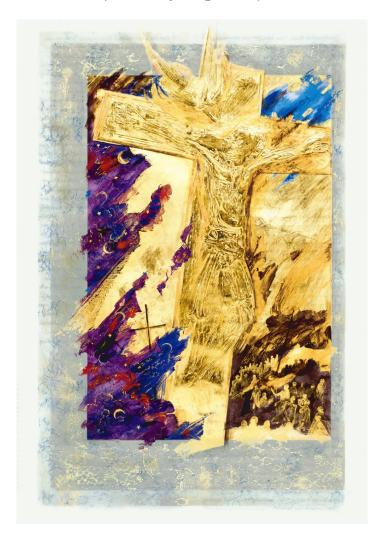
Pray. Learn. Serve. Connect.

Good Friday

April 7, 2023

12:00pm Stations of the Cross

12:30pm Choral Devotional The Seven Last Words of Our Savior on the Cross By Franz Joseph Haydn



he Stations of the Cross, sometimes called the Way of the Cross, is a devotion usually kept in Lent in which worshippers walk through a series of fourteen pictures depicting Christ's final journey from Pilate's house to his entombment. At each station, we meditate on an episode of Jesus' passion and death, and say prayers. The Stabat Mater is traditionally sung at the liturgy, and the Trisagion ("Holy God") as the procession moves between stations.

Of the fourteen stations, eight are based directly on moments depicted in the Gospels, and the remaining six on inferences from the Gospels or from tradition. The devotion arose out of the early Christian practice of pilgrims in Jerusalem of following Jesus' route and offering prayers at places in the city traditionally associated with Jesus' passion and death. Here at All Saints' Episcopal Church, the Stations are located in the stained glass on the north side of the nave. These windows are portrayed in picture form next to each of the stations in the bulletin.

In this season when we are called to "take up our cross and follow him," we prepare our hearts for the joy of the Paschal mystery by walking with Jesus along his path of sacrifice. One may continue this journey with our Lord at the 7:00pm Liturgy for Good Friday, which includes the veneration of the Cross. These services find their completion in the celebration of the Resurrection which begins with the Easter Vigil on Saturday night at 7:00pm in the church, and then with the Easter morning services on Sunday at 7:00am, 9:00am, and 11:00am.

The Rev. Dr. Perry Pauley, Presider Nanette Towsley, Crucifer

> Dr. Craig Westendorf, Interim Director of Music

The Choir of All Saints' with String Quartet

Stations of the Cross

We prepare for worship in silence. All stand, as they are able, at the entrance of the Presider.

Opening Devotions

Presider: In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen**.

Presider: Lord, have mercy.
People: Christ, have mercy.
Presider: Lord, have mercy.

Presider and People:

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.

Presider: We will glory in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ:

People: In whom is our salvation, our life and resurrection.

Presider: Let us pray. (Silence)

Assist us mercifully with your help, O Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts, whereby you have given us life and immortality; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The procession moves to the First Station. The People may sit, kneel, or stand, whichever is best for your Good Friday meditation.



First Station

Jesus is condemned to death

Presider: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you:

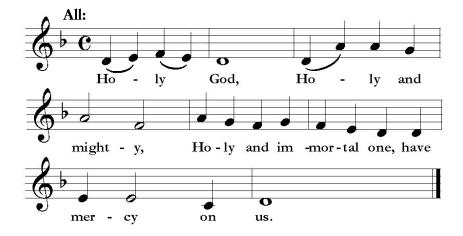
People: Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

As soon as it was morning, the chief priests, with the elders and scribes, and the whole council, held a consultation; and they bound Jesus and led him away and delivered him to Pilate. And they all condemned him and said, "He deserves to die." When Pilate heard these words, he brought Jesus out and sat down on the judgment seat at a place called the Pavement, but in Hebrew, Gabbatha. Then he handed Jesus over to them to be crucified.

Presider: God did not spare his own Son: **People:** But delivered him up for us all.

Presider: Let us pray. (Silence)

Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first 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 Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. **Amen.**





Second Station

Jesus takes up his Cross

Presider: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you:

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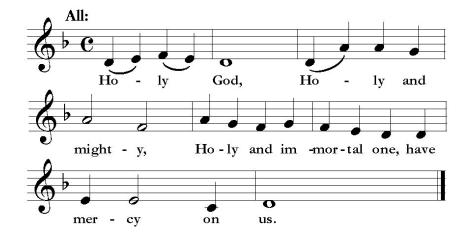
Jesus went out, bearing his own cross, to the place called the place of a skull, which is called in Hebrew, Golgotha. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered. Like a lamb he was led to the slaughter; and like a sheep that before its shearers is mute, so he opened not his mouth. Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and riches and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and blessing.

Presider: The Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all:

People: For the transgression of my people was he stricken.

Presider: Let us pray. (Silence)

Almighty God, whose beloved Son willingly endured the agony and shame of the cross for our redemption: Give us courage to take up our cross and follow him; who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen**.





Third Station

Jesus falls the first time

Presider: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you:

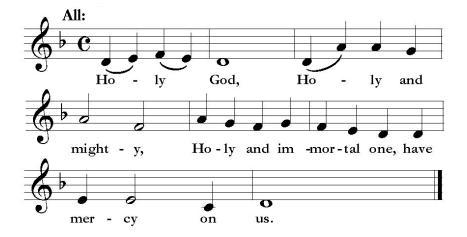
People: Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped; but emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, and was born in human likeness. And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross. Therefore, God has highly exalted him, and bestowed on him the name which is above every name. Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, and kneel before the Lord our Maker, for he is the Lord our God.

Presider: Surely he has borne our griefs: **People:** And carried our sorrows.

Presider: Let us pray. (Silence)

O God, you know 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 us such strength and protection as may support us in all dangers, and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.





Fourth Station

Jesus meets his afflicted mother

Presider: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you:

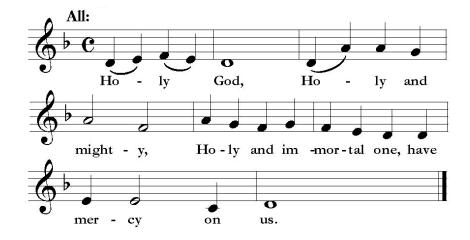
People: Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

To what can I liken you, to what can I compare you, O daughter of Jerusalem? What likeness can I use to comfort you, O virgin daughter of Zion? For vast as the sea is your ruin. Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. The Lord will be your everlasting light, and your days of mourning shall be ended.

Presider: A sword will pierce your own soul also: **People:** And fill your heart with bitter pain.

Presider: Let us pray. (Silence)

O God, who willed that in the passion of your Son a sword of grief should pierce the soul of the Blessed Virgin Mary, his mother: Mercifully grant that your Church, having shared with her in his passion, may be made worthy to share in the joys of his resurrection; who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**





Fifth Station

The Cross is laid on Simon of Cyrene

Presider: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you:

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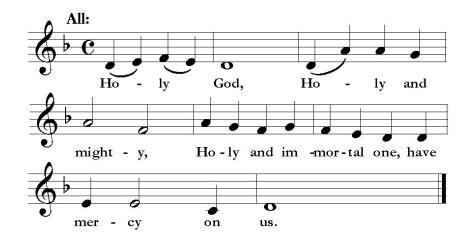
As they led Jesus away, they came upon a man of Cyrene, Simon by name, who was coming in from the country, and laid on him the cross to carry it behind Jesus. "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

Presider: Whoever does not bear his own cross and come after me:

People: Cannot be my disciple.

Presider: Let us pray. (Silence)

Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son came not to be served but to serve: Bless all who, following in his steps, give themselves to the service of others; that with wisdom, patience, and courage, they may minister in his Name to the suffering, the friendless, and the needy; for the love of him who laid down his life for us, your Son our Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen**.





Sixth Station

A woman wipes the face of Jesus

Presider: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you:

People: Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

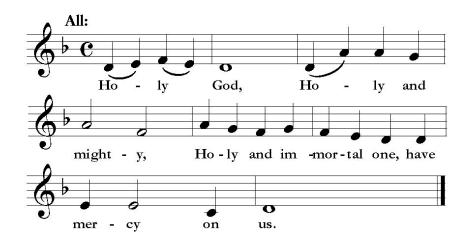
We have seen him without beauty or majesty, with no looks to attract our eyes. He was despised and rejected by men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief; and as one from whom men hide their faces, he was despised, and we esteemed him not. His appearance was so marred, beyond human semblance, and his form beyond that of the children of men. But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that made us whole, and with his stripes we are healed.

Presider: Restore us, O Lord God of hosts:

People: Show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

Presider: Let us pray. (Silence)

O God, who before the passion of your only-begotten Son revealed his glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.





Seventh Station

Jesus falls a second time

Presider: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you:

People: Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

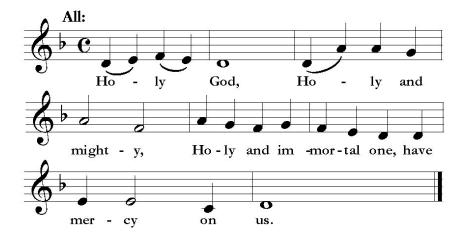
Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all. He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth. For the transgression of my people was he stricken.

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

People: Scorned by all and despised by the people.

Presider: Let us pray. (Silence)

Almighty and everliving God, in your tender love for the human race you sent your Son our Savior Jesus Christ to take upon him our nature, and to suffer death upon the cross, giving us the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant that we may walk in the way of his suffering, and also share in his resurrection; who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen**.





Eighth Station

Jesus meets the women of Jerusalem

Presider: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you:

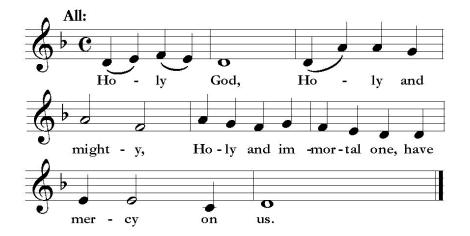
People: Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

There followed after Jesus a great multitude of the people, and among them were women who bewailed and lamented him. But Jesus turning to them said, "Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children."

Presider: Those who sowed with tears: **People:** Will reap with songs of joy.

Presider: Let us pray. (Silence)

Teach your Church, O Lord, to mourn the sins of which it is guilty, and to repent and forsake them; that, by your pardoning grace, the results of our iniquities may not be visited upon our children and our children's children; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.





Ninth Station

Jesus falls a third time

Presider: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you:

People: Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

I am the man who has seen affliction under the rod of his wrath; he has driven and brought me into darkness without any light. He has besieged me and enveloped me with bitterness and tribulation; he has made me dwell in darkness like the dead of long ago. Though I call and cry for help, he shuts out my prayer. He has made my teeth grind on gravel, and made me cower in ashes. "Remember, O Lord, my affliction and bitterness, the wormwood and the gall!"

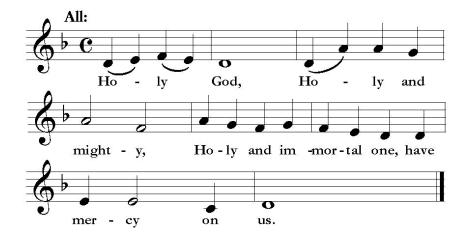
Presider: He was led like a lamb to the slaughter:

People: And like a sheep that before its shearers is mute,

so he opened not his mouth.

Presider: Let us pray. (Silence)

O God, by the passion of your blessed Son you made an instrument of shameful death to be for us the means of life: Grant us so to glory in the cross of Christ, that we may gladly suffer shame and loss for the sake of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen**.





Tenth Station

Jesus is stripped of his garments

Presider: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you:

People: Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

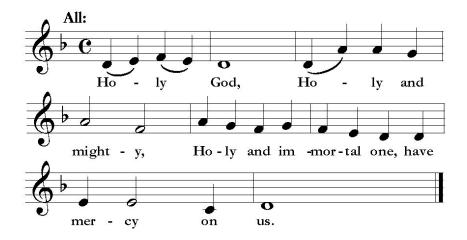
When they came to a place called Golgotha (which means the place of a skull), they offered him wine to drink, mingled with gall; but when he tasted it, he would not drink it. And they divided his garments among them by casting lots. This was to fulfill the scripture which says, "They divided my garments among them; they cast lots for my clothing."

Presider: They gave me gall to eat:

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

Presider: Let us pray. (Silence)

Lord God, whose blessed Son our Savior gave his body to be whipped and his face to be spit upon: Give us grace to accept joyfully the sufferings of the present time, confident of the glory that shall be revealed; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.





Eleventh Station

Jesus is nailed to the Cross

Presider: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you:

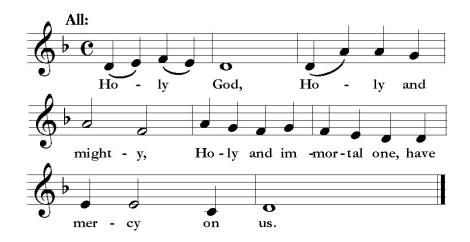
People: Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

When they came to the place which is called The Skull, there they crucified him; and with him they crucified two criminals, one on the right, the other on the left, and Jesus between them. And the scripture was fulfilled which says, "He was numbered with the transgressors."

Presider: They pierce my hands and my feet: **People:** They stare and gloat over me.

Presider: Let us pray. (Silence)

Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: so clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for the honor of your Name. **Amen.**





Twelfth Station

Jesus dies on the Cross

Presider: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you:

People: Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

When Jesus saw his mother, and the disciple whom he loved standing near, he said to his mother, "Woman, behold your son!" Then he said to the disciple, "Behold your mother!" And when Jesus had received the vinegar, he said, "It is finished!" And then, crying with a loud voice, he said, "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit." And he bowed his head, and handed over his spirit.

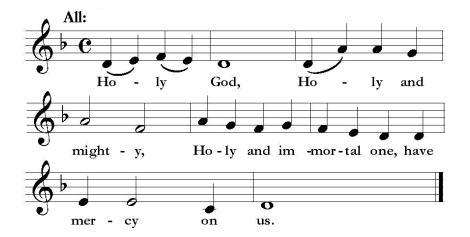
All kneel in silence.

Presider: Christ for us became obedient unto death:

People: Even death on a cross.

Presider: Let us pray. (Silence)

O God, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection delivered us from the power of our enemy: Grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his resurrection; who lives and reigns now and for ever. **Amen**.





Thirteenth Station

The body of Jesus is placed in the arms of his mother

Presider: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you:

People: Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

All you who pass by, behold and see if there is any sorrow like my sorrow. My eyes are spent with weeping; my soul is in tumult; my heart is poured out in grief because of the downfall of my people. "Do not call me Naomi (which means Pleasant), call me Mara (which means Bitter); for the Almighty has dealt very bitterly with me."

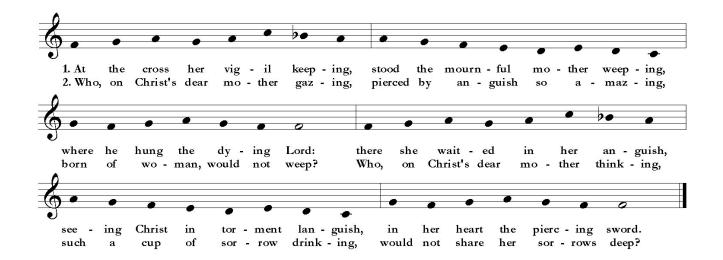
Presider: Her tears run down her cheeks: **People:** And she has none to comfort her.

Presider: Let us pray. (Silence)

Lord Jesus Christ, by your death you took away the sting of death: Grant to us your servants so to follow in faith where you have led the way, that we may at length fall asleep peacefully in you and wake up in your likeness; for your tender mercies' sake. **Amen**.

All sing.

At the Cross





Fourteenth Station

Jesus is laid in the tomb

Presider: We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you:

People: Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.

When it was evening, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who also was a disciple of Jesus. He went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then Pilate ordered it to be given to him. And Joseph took the body, and wrapped it in a clean linen shroud, and laid it in his own new tomb, which he had hewn in the rock; and he rolled a great stone to the door of the tomb.

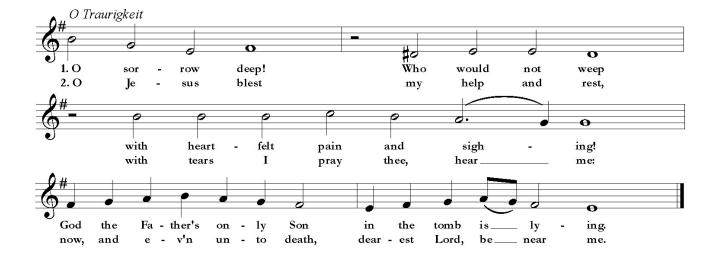
Presider: You will not abandon me to the grave: **People:** Nor let your holy One see corruption.

Presider: Let us pray. (Silence)

O God, your blessed Son was laid in a tomb in a garden, and rested on the Sabbath day: Grant that we who have been buried with him in the waters of baptism may find our perfect resting in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen**.

All sing.

O Sorrow Deep!





Concluding Prayers Before the Altar

Presider: Savior of the world, by your cross and precious blood you

have redeemed us:

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

Presider: Let us pray. (Silence)

We thank you, heavenly Father, that you have delivered us from the dominion of sin and death and brought us into the kingdom of your Son; and we pray that, as by his death he has recalled us to life, so by his love he may raise us to eternal joys; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

To Christ our Lord, who loves us, and washed us in his own blood, and made us a kingdom of priests to serve his God and Father, to him, be glory and dominion for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Seven Last Words of Our Savior on the Cross



Franz Joseph Haydn (1702-1809)

I. Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.

Father in heaven! Oh, see us kneeling. Look down from your throne. Father, forgive, your Son entreats Thee. Oh, hear him pleading and interceding that mercy be shown. Ah, we are grievous sinners, and great is our guilt. For forgiveness and grace to win us our Savior's blood was spilled.

Our Savior's blood asks no revenge, it flows to cleanse us.

Father eternal! Let thy grace attend us. Let mercy be shown.

II. Verily, I say unto thee: this day shalt thou be with me in paradise.

Thou art mercy, love, and pity, our redeemer, Lamb of God! Yonder thief appealed for help to thee: "When you come into thy kingdom, Master, think of me." And you promised him so mildly: "Thou shalt be today in paradise with me." Lord, our God, look on us. By the cross where thou hast suffered see our true repentance offered. Let us hear, when death shall call us, from thy lips eternal solace: Thy gentle words restore and comfort us.

III. Woman, behold thy Son; Son, behold thy mother.

Blessed mother, you stood sadly, crying, sighing by the cross where thy dear Jesus died, and you felt his death wounds smarting in the bitter hour of parting, sorrowfully felt thy grief and loss. Though by sorrow bent and shaken, thou hast yet serenely taken for thy Son beloved John, dear John the true disciple. And we too, thy children are! Blessed mother, O, thou comfort of the fallen, hear thy children, hear us calling. O, thou comfort of the fallen, save our souls in desperate plight. Mother, lead us towards the light. When in death's embrace we languish and you hear our anxious crying, and you see our mortal anguish, let not, mother, then the foe defeat us.

Send thy loving strength to meet us, and save our souls in desperate plight.

Oh, then prove thyself, our mother, and commend us to they Son.

IV. Eli, Eli, lama asabthani!

Why, O Father, did you forsake me? Where is now the hand of God? Who can fathom this deep mystery, O God of power and might, all-seeing! Thou hast called us into being, and by thy love, O Lord, we have been saved. O Lord, we worship and adore thee truly. For our sake you suffered cruelly, mockery, loneliness, fear, and pain. Where's the man who would desert thee, by his sins would want to hurt thee? Thou art gracious, though we grieve thee!

No, we shall not ever leave thee in life and all eternity.

V. I thirst.

Jesus calleth: "I thirst!" Curb now your fury, stay your revenge. Mankind, now let pity move your spirit. Mercy enter all your hearts! They offer him a bitter drink of vinegar and gall to quench his thirst. Is there to cruelty no end, O mankind? He can't withstand any longer the pain that overpowers him, whose life itself was gentleness.

VI. It is finished.

Nailed upon the tree of torture hangs my Jesus in the night, and he calls aloud: "It is finished!"
Now the cross has lost its terror, now has evil lost its might. O, you sinners, blindly living, woe
betide you, who from sin to graver sins are driven. All consider now! Can you hope to be forgiven
when he comes in all his glory and in all his might? Save us, Jesus, from damnation.

Do not let us cry in vain. Let thy death be our salvation. Spare our souls eternal pain.

May we rise to live forever in thy heavenly domain.

VII. Father, into thy hands, I commend my spirit.

Into thy hands, O Lord, my spirit I commend. No further can his anguish rise, now he has drained the cup. "O Father, take my spirit in thy hands." And then he bows his head and dies. From everlasting torment his precious blood has saved us. Because my Jesus loved us he died a sinner's death. You gave us life anew. What can we, O Lord, give you? We lie in deep humility, O Jesus, at thy feet; our grateful hearts we offer thee.

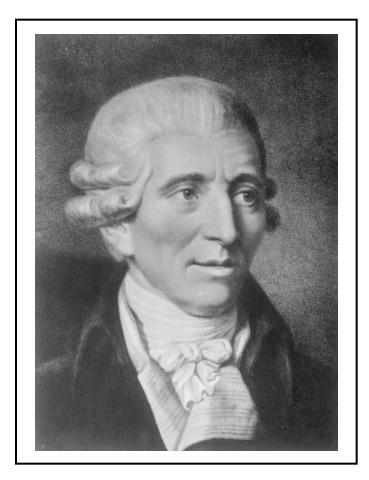
Lord, Let At Last Thine Angels Come from the St. John Passion

J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

aydn's Seven Last Words of the Savior on the Cross, sung by the Choir of All Saints' with string quartet, was composed as a string quartet on a commission in 1785 from the Cathedral in Cádiz, Spain. After each of the seven words, there was a sermon, and then time for meditation in the darkened cathedral as each movement of the quartet was played. The *Seven Last Words* became extremely popular, and was rescored for orchestra and as a piano transcription.

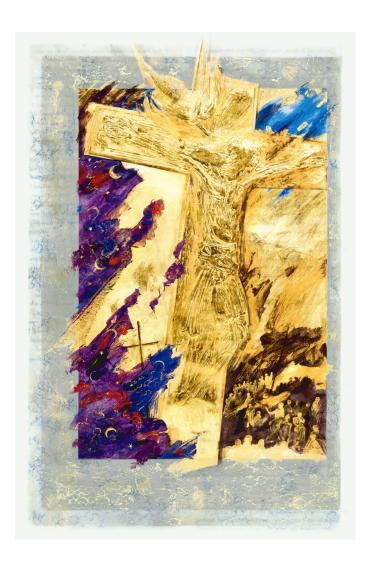
In 1794 Haydn heard an oratorio by Joseph Friebarth based on the scriptural texts of the seven last words. Haydn was moved to ask Baron van Swieten, who provided the texts for *The Creation*, to provide texts to be overlaid on the music of the original string quartet.

Each of the seven last words are presented with great devotion and poignancy. Unlike large works such as Haydn's masses, each movement moves into personal devotion and the believer's reaction both to the physical spectacle of the crucifixion, and, more importantly, how these words speak directly to the individual believer.



Franz Joseph Haydn (1702-1809)

Holy Week & Easter 2023



GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 7

7:00pm The Liturgy of Good Friday with Eucharist and Chamber Choir in the Church

EASTER EVE,
SATURDAY, APRIL 8
7:00pm The Great Vigil
and Holy Baptism with Eucharist
with incense and the Choir of All Saints'
in the Church

EASTER DAY, SUNDAY, APRIL 9 7:00am Outdoor Easter Eucharist in the Close Garden

9:00am Outdoor Easter Eucharist in the Day School Pavilion

The Annual Easter Egg Hunt for 3rd grade and younger will be on the Day School campus

following the 9:00am service.

11:00am Easter Eucharist
in the Church

No incense at any Easter Day services

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