

*It being Lent there is no Organ Music before or after the service.
Please us the 'space; for some stillness and prayer – rather than
chatter!*

First hymn:

In the cross of Christ I glory,
towering o'er the wrecks of time,
all the light of sacred story
gathers round its head sublime.

When the sun of bliss is beaming
light and love upon my way:
from the cross the radiance streaming
adds more lustre to the day.

When the woes of life o'ertake me,
hopes deceive and fears annoy,
never shall the cross forsake me:
Lo! It glows with peace and joy.

Bane and blessing, pain and pleasure,
by the cross are sanctified:
Peace is there that knows no measure,
joys that through all time abide.

John Bowring 1792 – 1872
Wychbold

Tune :

Psalm

*After the first reading we remain seated as the Choir sings part of the Lent Prose (5
verses),, this response is used:*

**Hear us, O Lord, have mercy upon us:
For we have sinned against thee**

Offertory hymn:

It is a thing most wonderful,
almost too wonderful to be,
that God's own Son should
 come from heaven,
and die to save a child like me.

It is most wonderful to know
his love for me so free and sure;
but 'tis more wonderful to see
my love for him so faint and poor.

And yet I know that it is true:
he chose a poor and humble lot,
and wept and toiled and mourned
 and died
for love of those who loved him not.

And yet I want to love thee, Lord!
O light the flame within my heart,
and I will love thee more and more,
until I see thee as thou art.

W. Walsham How 1823-97

But even could I see him die,
I could but see a little part
of that great love which like a fire,
is always burning in his heart.

At Communion if you wish to receive from the chalice – the common cup – please make your way to the Lady Chapel Altar (by Mary's statue). If you would rather have the host intincted in the wine by the Priest please come to the front centre

Communion Hymn

There is a Redeemer,
Jesus, God's own Son,
precious Lamb of God, Messiah,
Holy One.

When I stand in glory,
I will see his face,
and there I'll serve my King for ever,
in that holy place.

Words and music: Melody Green

*Thank you, O my Father,
for giving us your Son,
and leaving your Spirit
till the work on earth is done.*

Jesus, my Redeemer,
name above all names,
precious Lamb of God, Messiah,
O for sinners slain.

Final Hymn

Take up thy cross, the Saviour said,
if thou wouldst my disciple be;
deny thyself, the world forsake,
and humbly follow after me.

Take up thy cross, let not its weight
fill thy weak spirit with alarm;
his strength shall bear thy spirit up,

and brace thy heart, and nerve thine arm.

Take up thy cross, nor heed the shame,
nor let thy foolish pride rebel;
the Lord for thee the cross endured,
to save thy soul from death and hell.

Take up thy cross, then, in his strength,
and calmly every danger brave;
'twill guide thee to a better home,
and lead to victory o'er the grave.

Take up thy cross and follow Christ,
nor think till death to lay it down;
for only those who bear the cross
may hope to wear the glorious crown.

To thee, great Lord, the One in Three,
all praise for evermore ascend;
O grant us in our home to see
the heavenly life that knows no end.

C. Everest (1814-77)

Music: Breslau

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