Thanks be to thee, my Lord Jesus Christ, For all the benefits which thou hast won for me, For all the pains and insults which thou hast borne for me:

O most merciful Redeemer, Friend, and Brother, May I see thee more clearly, Love thee more dearly, And follow thee more nearly, Day by Day. Amen.

od the Father, who loved us, and made us accepted in the Beloved: od the Son, who loved us, and loosed us from our sins by his own blood: od the Holy Ghost, who sheddeth the love of God abroad in our hearts: e one true God be all love and all glory for time and for eternity. Amen.

HYMN 9

IEN I survey the wondrous Cross On which the Prince of Glory died, ichest gain I count but loss, pour contempt on all my pride.

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id it, Lord, that I should boast in the Cross of Christ my God; he vain things that charm me most, rifice them to his Blood.

See from his head, his hands, his feet, Sorrow and love flow mingling 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 an offering far too small; Love so amazing, so divine, Demands my soul, my life, my all. *I. Watts* (1674–1748)

After the hymn, all kneel for silent prayer.

The choir and clergy then go out in silence.

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Easter Good thiday in Golden Square Methodist Church al. 9-30 a.m. 8/4/66 THE CROSS OF CHRIST

A devotion for congregation and choir

The clergy and choir enter in silence

The Minister then says:

BEHOLD the Cross displayed, whereon the Saviour of the world did hang. O come ye, let us worship and bow down.

BRETHREN, we are come together that we may hear again how our Lord and Saviour suffered upon the Cross, and that hearing we may offer our lives anew to him who died for us.

All kneel

Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy upon us Christ, have mercy upon us Lord, have mercy upon us

Our Father, Which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name; Thy Kingdom come: Thy will be done: In earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation: But deliver us from evil. Amen.

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 wicked men, 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.

Assist us mercifully with thy Spirit, O Lord, that thinking upon thy Cross and Passion we may worship thee with thankful hearts. Amen.

O Saviour of the world, who by thy Cross and precious Blood hast redeemed us: Save us and help us, we humbly beseech thee, O Lord.

HYMN 1

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THERE is a green hill far away, Without a city wall, Where the dear Lord was crucified, Who died to save us all.

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We may not know, we cannot tell, What pains he had to bear, But we believe it was for us He hung and suffered there.

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