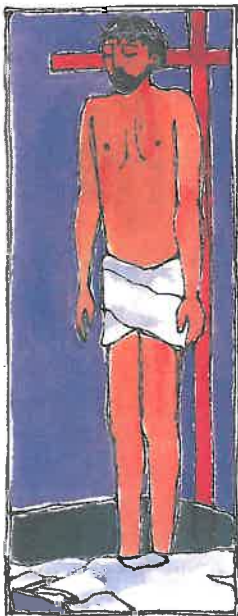


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Meditation

Jesus has passed through the city gates, out to the place of the crucifixion called Golgotha. Wooden beams are stuck in the ground, awaiting the crosspiece that he has been carrying on his back. On this hill that means "skull place," he is stripped of his clothes. All is ready.

Prayer

Jesus, you came into the world to share the Good News of God's love. You forgave sins, healed the sick and brought the dead back to life.

And now you stand, God made human, totally exposed to the world, the world that came into being through your own word, a world that has now turned on you and is preparing to put you to death on a cross.

How could they not have recognized you? How can people be so blind to goodness and love? Why does it scare us so?

I see you, the Lord of Creation, standing weak and vulnerable before your own creation which has closed its eyes to truth. Open my eyes to your love. Help me be open to the many ways you are acting in my life every day. Help me to respond to your voice as it calls me to love.

*No one has greater love than this,
To lay down one's life for one's friends.*

(John 15:13)