STATIONS of the CROSS

Woodcut images
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To learn more about the Stations of the Cross - including their history and practice, see:

*Praying the Stations of the Cross – Finding Hope in a Weary Land*, by Katherine Sonderegger & Margaret Adams Parker (Eerdmans Publishing, 2019.)

*Praying the Stations of the Cross* also includes a liturgy with Margaret Adams Parker’s woodcut prints, readings from Scripture, a contemporary prayer, and a theological reflection by Katherine Sonderegger for each Station.

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Suggested readings and responses for each image are included at the end of this booklet. Worshippers are encouraged to add their own prayers for each Station.

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Station XIV
Jesus is laid in the tomb
Suggested readings & responses from Scripture:

Station I - John 19:1-5 * Lamentations 1:12
Station II - John 19:16-17 * Wisdom 1:12-20
Station III - Mark 8:31, 34-35 * Isaiah 53:8-9
Station IV - Lamentation 2:13 * Ruth 1:20-21a
Station VI - Lamentations 3:48-51 * Isaiah 25:6-9
Station VII - Isaiah 53:10-12 * Psalm 31:11-12
Station IX - Isaiah 29:4 * Isaiah 53:7
Station X - John 19:23-25 * Job 1:20-21
Station XII - Luke 23:46-47 * Philippians 2:5-8

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The Stations of the Cross is an ancient spiritual practice that remains vital and important to this day. The Stations invite us to walk Jesus’ Via Dolorosa, standing witness to his descent from Pilate’s court, his journey beneath his cross through the dusty streets of Jerusalem, his stripping, nailing, crucifixion, and descent to the tomb.

These woodcut images depict the traditional 14 Stations. They include scenes that elaborate on the New Testament Passion narrative, in much the same way as the texts of many Christmas carols.

May these images join with your prayers, enriching your devotions for Lent, Holy Week, and across all seasons of the year.
Station XIII
Jesus’ body is laid in the arms of his mother
Station XII
Jesus dies on the cross

Station I
Jesus is condemned to death
Station II
Jesus takes up his cross

Station XI
Jesus is nailed to the cross
Station X
Jesus is stripped of his garments

Station III
Jesus falls the first time
Station IV
Jesus meets his grieving mother

Station IX
Jesus falls a third time
Station VIII
Jesus meets the women of Jerusalem

Station V
The cross is laid on Simon of Cyrene
Station VI
A woman wipes the face of Jesus

Station VII
Jesus falls a second time