

## Today's Hymns

355 I vow to thee my country [below] The old rugged cross

411 Dear Lord and father of mankind 516 Love divine

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**Meditation:** Tuesdays at 5:30 pm.

**Food Bank:** The next food bank collection will be on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> June.

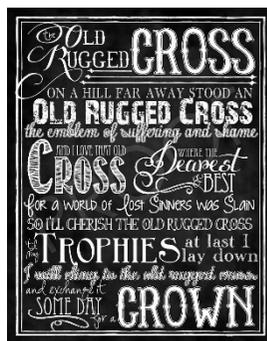
On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross,  
the emblem of suffering and shame;  
and I love that old cross where the dearest and best  
for a world of lost sinners was slain.

**Refrain:** *So I'll cherish the old rugged cross,  
till my trophies at last I lay down;  
I will cling to the old rugged cross,  
and exchange it some day for a crown.*

O that old rugged cross, so despised by the world,  
has a wondrous attraction for me;  
for the dear Lamb of God left his glory above  
to bear it to dark Calvary. *[Refrain]*

In that old rugged cross, stained with blood so divine,  
a wondrous beauty I see,  
for 'twas on that old cross Jesus suffered and died,  
to pardon and sanctify me. *[Refrain]*

To that old rugged cross I will ever be true,  
its shame and reproach gladly bear;  
then he'll call me some day to my home far away,  
where his glory forever I'll share. *[Refrain]*



### Our Next Service

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> May – Easter 6 – White  
Book of Common Prayer – Holy Communion

*Please join us for tea or coffee after the service – and take a copy of the pew sheet for anyone who might like to receive one. If you know anyone who would like to receive home communion, please tell a churchwarden.*



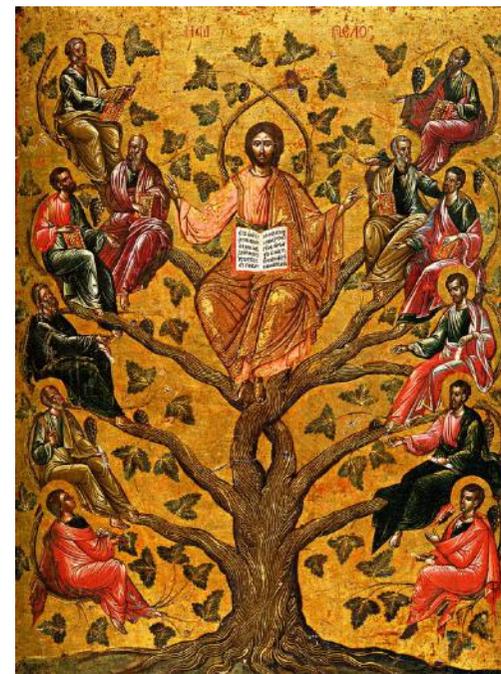
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Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> April 2018  
5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter - White  
Service of the Word  
Biddy Hibbert

### Collect

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, have overcome death, and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: grant that, as by your grace going before us, you put into our minds good desires, so, by your continual help, we may bring them to good effect; through Jesus Christ our risen Lord. *Amen*



Christ the True Vine - 16th century Greek icon



Acts 8: 26 – 40

An angel of the Lord said to Philip, 'Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.' (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, 'Go over to this chariot and join it.' So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, 'Do you understand what you are reading?' He replied, 'How can I, unless someone guides me?' And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

'Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter,  
and like a lamb silent before its shearer,  
so he does not open his mouth.

In his humiliation justice was denied him.  
Who can describe his generation?

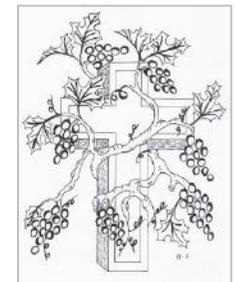
For his life is taken away from the earth.'

The eunuch asked Philip, 'About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?' Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, 'Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?' He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

John 15: 1 - 8

Jesus said to his disciples, 'I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it

abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.'



Psalms 22: 24 - 30

- 24 My praise is of him in the great assembly;  
I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him.
- 25 **The poor shall eat and be satisfied,  
and those who seek the LORD shall praise him:  
'May your heart live for ever!'**
- 26 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD,  
and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.
- 27 **For kingship belongs to the LORD;  
he rules over the nations.**
- 28 To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down in worship;  
all who go down to the dust fall before him.
- 29 **My soul shall live for him;  
my descendants shall serve him;  
they shall be known as the LORD'S for ever.**
- 30 They shall come and make known to a people yet unborn  
the saving deeds that he has done.