**Holy Week at St Luke’s 2021**

**Wednesday 31 March**

*Welcome. Receive and be blessed.*

In New Testament Greek, the word for holy is “hagios” meaning set apart, sacred and worthy of praise.

As Jesus continues to live the last week of His earthly life, we set this time apart to journey with him.

Time to explore how he spent His final days

Time to listen to those he encountered

Time to hear afresh the unfolding events of that tumultuous week

– not with the benefit of hindsight or the comfort of distance

But as if we were there

**Where are we this evening?**

In the shadows with Judas and the chief priests plotting to betray Jesus

**Come this night to Jesus**

Come to the one who welcomes us as friend and forgiver

Come to the one to whom you are

fully known

Come to the one who gives Himself completely

**Come to Christ in His humanity**

**Come to Christ in His holiness.**

Invite you to close your eyes.

What and who do you see? What or you can you touch or hear? What do you feel?

**Bible reading**

**Matthew 26: 14-16, Luke 22: 47-53 Reflection by Buffy Langdown**

*Music*

An invitation to share one word, thought, response to what you have heard.

Were you there when Jesus was betrayed?

**It caused me to tremble but yes, I was there. Thank you, Lord, for helping me to be there**

When we see

The betrayed Christ

still broken in this world,

may we meet Him

with faithful advocacy

and pour out steadfast love

with courage

**Amen**

From the fears that hold us back

To the truth that sets us free

**Father, lead us on**

From where we are

To where you need us

**Jesus, lead us on**

From the security of what we know

To the paths we are yet to travel

**Spirit lead us on**

We meet together again at 7.30pm tomorrow. Same zoom link

Invite you to leave when you are ready

*Closing music*