## St Elizabeth's Episcopal Church 76 South 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, Brighton Stations of the Cross Good Friday, 1:15pm



The stations of the cross, also known as the way of the cross, is a series of images showing events in the passion, death, and resurrection of Jesus. In its most common form, there are 14 stations, derived from a traditional telling of the story that may date back to the eleventh century. The religious practice of praying at the stations is likely derived from pilgrimages made by early Christians to the Holy Land, to see and pray at sites important in Jesus' life and death. In our service, a leader guides us from station to station. We stop at each to pray together and hear selections from Scripture, in memory of how Jesus suffered and died for us. This service is one of the most powerful in our Holy Week tradition.

The Stations of the Cross artwork is a series of woodcuts by the Colorado artist, Mina Conant. Mina was the mother of one of our longtime congregants, Johanna Billmyer.



## Good Friday Offering

The history of the Good Friday Offering reaches back to 1922 when, in the aftermath of World War I, The Episcopal Church sought to create new relationships with and among the Christians of the Middle East. From these initial efforts which focused on a combination of relief work and the improvement of ecumenical and Anglican relations, the Good Friday Offering was created.

Through the years many Episcopalians have found the Good Friday Offering to be an effective way to express their support for the ministries of the three dioceses of the Province of Jerusalem and the Middle East. Pastoral care, education and health care continue to be primary ministries through which the reconciling spirit of the Christian faith serves all in need. Participation in this ministry is welcome. The generous donations of Episcopalians help the Christian presence in the Land of the Holy One to be a vital and effective force for peace and understanding among all of God's children.

For 102 years, Episcopalians have generously shared their love, compassion, and financial gifts to support the ministry of the Anglican Communion Province of Jerusalem and the Middle East. These gifts have made an astounding difference in the lives of many people in the homeland of Jesus and beyond

For more information please visit the Good Friday website and us:

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