



The Guild Players are part of Finchley Methodist Church but also have many people connected with them from the community around. New members are always welcome, whether you are interested in acting or backstage roles. If you would like further details of the Players, or would like to join, please contact the membership secretary, Betty Robertson, on 020 xxxx xxxx.

If you would like to receive details of future productions, please phone Betty Burgess on 020 xxxx xxxx, and ask to be added to the Guild Players Mailing List.

The Joseph Fox Youth Trust

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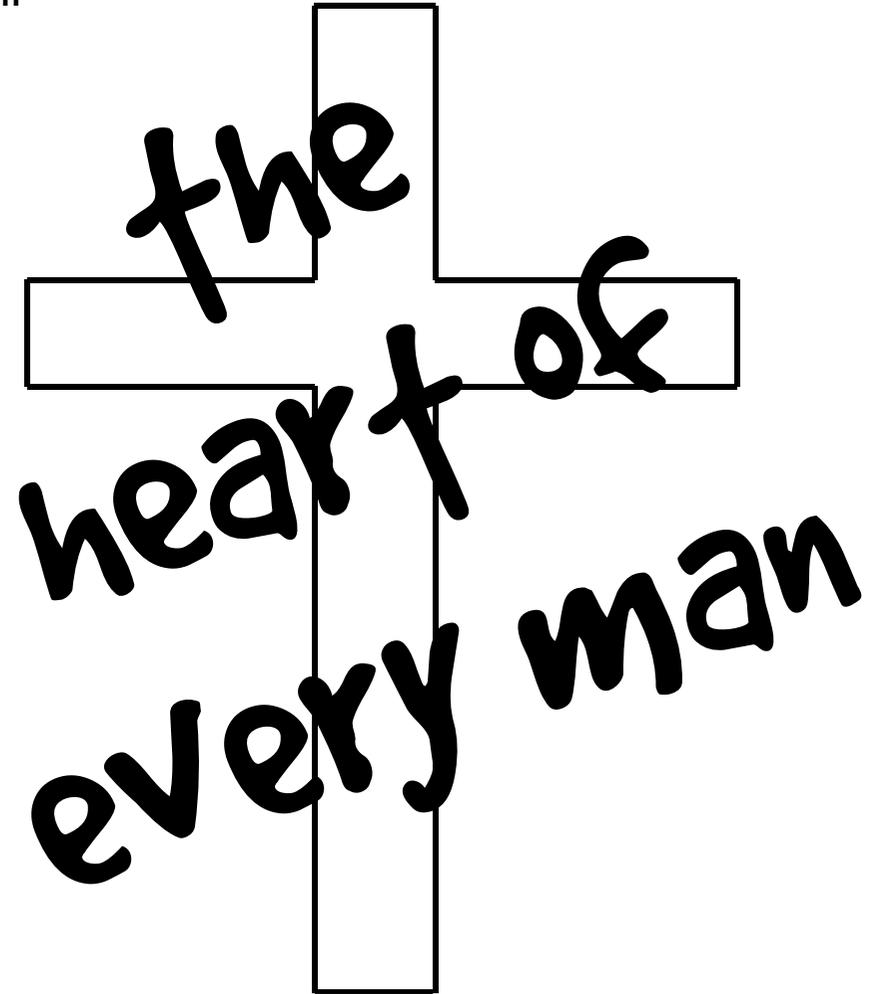
The Greatest Survival Story Ever Told

A re-creation of the original lantern-slide lecture of Shackleton's 1914-17 Antarctic Expedition

Friday 5th May 2000 at 7:30 pm
Avenue House, East End Road, Finchley

Tickets £5 including Wine & Cheese

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present



Readings and Reflections for Good Friday

Tuesday 18th April 2000 at 8 pm

Camden Road Baptist Church
Hilldrop Road, Holloway, London N7

Good Friday 21st April 2000 at 8 pm

Finchley Methodist Church
Ballards Lane, Finchley, London N3

the heart of every man

Readings and Reflections for Good Friday
Compiled and directed by Mike Sparks

Readers

Laurie Heatherington
Stephen Sewell
Carole Sewell
Paul Sparks
Sally Martin
Ann Hefford
Jenny Sparks
Beryl Cann Hughes

Singer

Mike Sparks

Lighting & Sound

David Constable

As has often been said, you cannot re-invent the wheel, and trying to present the unchangeable truths of the Good Friday story in a telling dramatic narrative represents a real challenge to mere actors, whatever their training or background. It is a story which is so well known and with such strong characters that anyone tinkering' with it does so at their own risk.

Over the years The Guild Players Good Friday presentations have examined the story from various viewpoints, sometimes giving a voice to those peripheral to the main events. But tonight we return to the Bible account of the characters and events, from the betrayal of Jesus through to his crucifixion.

We have added some reflections on particular pieces of the story, and interspersed the presentation with verses from one of the season's best loved hymns. We also believe that sometimes, in modern popular music, pieces are produced which whilst not intended to have a religious significance, nevertheless reflect the essence of our beliefs. One such song, penned in the 1980's, will complete tonight's performance.

From A Distance(© Julie Gold)

From a distance the world looks blue and green
And the snow-capped mountains white
From a distance the ocean meets the stream
And the eagle takes to flight

From a distance there is harmony
And it echoes through the land
It's the voice of hope; It's the voice of peace
It's the voice of every man

From a distance we all have enough
And no one is in need
There are no guns, no bombs, no diseases
No hungry mouths to feed

From a distance we are instruments
Marching in a common band
Playing songs of hope; Playing songs of peace

God is watching us; God is watching us;
God is watching us from a distance

From a distance you look like my friend
Even though we are at war
From a distance I can't comprehend
What all this war is for

From a distance there is harmony
And it echoes through the land
It's the hope of hopes; It's the love of loves
It's the heart of every man

It's the hope of hopes; It's the love of loves
It's the song of every man