



ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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GOOD FRIDAY, April 18, 2025

ORDER OF DIVINE WORSHIP

10:30 a.m.

Prelude (A time for prayer and reflection)

Placing of the Bible (All who are able are invited to stand)

Call to Worship:

Blessed be the name of the Lord our God

who redeems us from sin and death.

For us and for our salvation,

Christ became obedient unto death, even death on a cross.

God did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us,

Will God not also give us everything else with Christ?

Blessed be the name of the Lord, **now and forever.**

Hymn: 238 "Beneath the cross of Jesus"

Prayer for Pardon (in unison):

O God, whose mercy is more than our minds can measure, we admit that our love for you is, as the prophet exclaimed, "like a morning cloud, like the dew that goes early away." Though you keep your covenant with us, we do not always honour the covenant that we have made with you. We betray you as Judas did, we deny you as Peter did, we are offended by your teachings as the Pharisees were, we turn against you as the crowd did, and we take the way that best serves our own goals as Pilate did. Looking on you whom we have pierced, we confess our sins with deep sorrow; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Hymn 561: Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy, Lord, have mercy upon us.

Assurance of Grace:

M. Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

C. This is what love is – It is not that we have loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the means by which our sins are forgiven.

All: Grant that, as we recall the passion of Jesus, we may learn of him to forgive, learn with him to carry our cross, and learn through him to overcome; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 52:13–53:12 (p.643)

Psalm 22:1– 26 (read responsively)

THE SEVEN WORDS FROM THE CROSS

Hymn: 237 "O come and mourn"

Luke 23:32–38 (p.77) "Father, forgive them ..."

Hymn: Jesus in Thy dying woes. (insert) 1-3 (all seated)

Luke 23:39–43 (p.77) "...today you will be with me in Paradise"

Hymn: vs. 4-6 (insert) (all seated)

John 19:25–27 (p.100) "Woman, your Son; Son, your Mother"

Hymn: vs. 7-9 (insert) (all seated)

Matthew 27:45–50 (p.28) "My God, My God, Why ...?"

Hymn: vs. 10–11 (insert) (*all standing*)

John 19:28–29 (p.100) "I Thirst"

Hymn: vs. 12-14 (insert) (all seated)

John 19:30 (p.109) "It is Finished"

Hymn: vs. 15-16 (insert) (all seated)

Luke 23:44–49 (p.77) "Father, into your hands I commit my Spirit"

Hymn: vs. 17-19 (insert) (*all standing*)

Announcing the Offering of our Gifts; gifts will come forward following
The Offertory Hymn: "Jesus keep me near the Cross" (insert) (*all seated*)
Offertory Prayer, Prayer of Thanksgiving and The Lord's Prayer

Hymn: 231 "When I survey"

The Benediction and Choral Amen

Postlude

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Welcoming Worshippers: Darlene Cossaboom

Conducting the Service: Rev. Calvin Burt

Organist: Dr. Kenneth Cameron **Elevator Guide:** Heather Barkhouse

Audio: Ross Barkhouse

Readers: Darlene Cossaboom, Cheryl Weeks, E. Margaret MacDonald, Ricky Sloan

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Hymn 238

1. Beneath the cross of Jesus I fain would take my stand,
the shadow of a mighty rock within a weary land,
a home with in the wilderness, a rest upon the way,
from the burning of the noontide heat
and the burden of the day.
2. Upon the cross of Jesus mine eyes at times can see
the very dying form of one who suffered there for me,
and from my stricken heart with tears two wonders I confess:
the wonders of redeeming love and my own unworthiness.
3. I take, O cross, thy shadow for my abiding place;
I ask no other sunshine than the sunshine of his face;
content to let the world go by, to know no gain nor loss;
my sinful self my only shame, my glory all, the cross.

Hymn 237

1. Oh come and mourn with me awhile;
oh come ye to the Saviour's side;
oh come, together let us mourn;
Jesus, our Lord, is crucified.
2. Have we no tears to shed for him,
while soldiers scoff and foes deride?
Ah! look how patiently he hangs:
Jesus, our Lord, is crucified.
3. Seven times he spoke, seven words of love,
and all three hours his silence cried,
'Forgive: they know not what they do.'
Jesus, our Lord, is crucified.
4. O love of God! O human sin!
In this dread act your strength is tried,
and victory remains with love:
for Christ, our Lord, is crucified.

Hymn 231

1. When I survey the wondrous cross
on which the Prince of glory died,
my richest gain I count but loss,
and pour contempt on all my pride.
2. Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
save in the death of Christ my God;
all the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to his blood
3. See from His head, His hands, His feet,
Sorrow and love flow mingled down!
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?
4. Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were a offering far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all.

Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross

Jesus, keep me near the cross; there a precious fountain,
Free to all – a healing stream – flows from Calvary's mountain.

Chorus:

In the cross, in the cross, be my glory ever;
Till my raptured soul shall find rest beyond the river.

Near the cross, a trembling soul, love and mercy found me
There the bright and morning star shed its beams around me *Chorus*

Near the cross! O lamb of God, bring its scenes before me;
Help me walk from day to day with its shadow o'er me. *Chorus*

Near the cross I'll watch and wait, hoping, trusting ever,
Till I reach the golden strand just beyond the river. *Chorus*

Hymn during the Seven Words from the Cross

**1. Jesus, in Thy dying woes, even while Thy lifeblood flows,
Craving pardon for Thy foes; Hear us, holy Jesus.**

**2. Savior, for our pardon sue, when our sins Thy pangs
renew, for we know not what we do: Hear us, Holy Jesus.**

**3. O may we, who mercy need, be like Thee in heart and
deed, when with wrong our spirits bleed:
Hear us, Holy Jesus.**

**4. Jesus, pitying the sighs of the thief, who near Thee dies,
promising him paradise; Hear us, Holy Jesus.**

**5. May we, in our guilt and shame, still Thy love and mercy
claim, calling humbly on Thy name: Hear us, Holy Jesus.**

**6. O remember us who pine, looking from our cross to
Thine; cheer our souls with hope divine:
Hear us, Holy Jesus.**

**7. Jesus, loving to the end, her whose heart Thy sorrows
rend, and Thy dearest human friend: Hear us, Holy Jesus.**

**8. May we in Thy sorrows share, and for Thee all peril dare,
and enjoy Thy tender care: Hear us, Holy Jesus.**

**9. May we all Thy loved ones be, all one holy family,
loving for the love of Thee, Hear us, Holy Jesus.**

**10. Jesus,whelmed in fears unknown, with our evil left
alone, while no light from Heav'n is shown:
Hear us, Holy Jesus.**

**11. Though no Father seem to hear, though no light our spir-
its cheer, tell our faith that God is near:
Hear us, Holy Jesus.**

**12. Jesus, in Thy thirst and pain, while Thy wounds Thy life-
blood drain, thirsting more our love to gain:
Hear us, Holy Jesus.**

**13. Thirst for us in mercy still; all Thy holy work fulfill;
Satisfy Thy loving will: Hear us, Holy Jesus.**

**14. May we thirst Thy love to know; lead us in our sin and
woe where the healing waters flow: Hear us, Holy Jesus.**

**15. Jesus, all our ransom paid, all Thy Father's will
obeyed, all Thy sufferings perfect made:
Hear us, Holy Jesus.**

**16. Save us in our soul's distress, be our help to cheer and
bless, while we grow in holiness: Hear us, Holy Jesus.**

**17. Jesus, all Thy labor vast, all Thy woe and conflict past,
yielding up Thy soul at last: Hear us, Holy Jesus.**

**18. When the death shades round us lower,
guard us from the tempter's power, keep us in that trial
hour: Hear us, Holy Jesus.**

**19. May Thy life and death supply grace to live and grace to
die, grace to reach the home on high:
Hear us, Holy Jesus.**