



**GOOD FRIDAY WORSHIP SERVICE
(BRADNER, CALVIN & ST. PAUL'S)**

March 29, 2024 10:30 a.m.

Prelude

Welcome

Rev. Thomas Kim

Call to Worship

Rev. Michelle Yoon *(responsive)*

Hymn

Come, ye disconsolate #195

Prayers of Adoration and Confession Rev. Michelle Yoon
Assurance of Pardon

First Reading

Matthew 26:57-66 – Cathie Nielsen, St. Paul's

Unison Prayer

Jesus, you stood silent before false accusers. Justice was blind that day, blind to the lies and the desires of the powerful to have their way. If we were there, would we have spoken up in your defense? Strengthen our hearts this day so we will always stand up for the truth. Amen.

Hymn (seated)

Beneath the cross of Jesus #238

Second Reading

Matthew 26:69-75 – Don Blaak, Calvin

Unison Prayer:

Jesus Christ, we hate to think that we would desert you if we felt singled out, if people ever challenged us about our faith in you. On this day when we see your commitment to us cost you everything, deepen our commitment to you. Strengthen us whenever we are tempted to deny you in our words or in our actions.

Hymn (seated)

Were you there (vv. 1-3) #233

Third Reading

Matthew 27: 27-40 – Antony Hughes, Bradner

Unison Prayer:

Lord Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us. People mock you and we do not know what to say. People curse with your name, and we say nothing. We watch others carry the cross for you, but we draw back at shouldering more responsibility for your sake. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Hymn (seated)

Were you there (vv. 4-6) #233

Fourth Reading

Matthew 27: 45-51, 54 – Chris Bucholz, St. Paul's

Unison Prayer

Jesus, it is hard to stand by and watch you die. The taunts pierce our hearts like the nails. We cannot imagine the pain. Today it feels as if we are there, watching, waiting, weeping. When the darkness of pain overshadows us, help us remember that you know our pain better than anyone else. Amen

Hymn (seated)

Alas, and did my Saviour bleed (vv1,3,5) #235

Fifth Reading

Matthew 27: 55-61 – Neil Visser, Calvin

Unison Prayer:

Jesus, to be God's Son is to carry the weight of God's world on your shoulders. No wonder it felt like you were alone in the world. You carry the weight of our sin and sorrow, our failure and frailty. Whenever our eyes take in the cross, help us remember your great love at the heart of our loneliness. May the arms of the Cross, your arms, embrace us and keep us steadfast. Amen.

Symbolic Act of Submission & Invitation to Communion

Rev. Thomas Kim

Hymn

An upper room did our Lord prepare (vv. 1-2) #224

Communion

Rev. Michelle Yoon



The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Apostles' Creed

Communion

Prayers of Intercession

The Lord's Prayer (in unison) [sins/sin against us]

Hymn

Rock of ages, cleft for me #240

Benediction

Rev. Thomas Kim

Hymn

Go now in peace

Postlude

Please join us following the service for fellowship and Hot Cross Buns.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Leader: The Lord be with you

ALL: and also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts,

ALL: we lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

ALL: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Leader:

Holy God, Creator of heaven and earth,
with joy we give you thanks and praise.

You call your people to repentance,

to renew their covenant with you

and to prepare for the joyful victory feast of the Lord.

Therefore, with all your faithful people

we join with the whole creation to lift our hearts in joyful praise.

(ALL)

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord,

God of Power and Might,

Heaven and earth are full of your Glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord

Hosanna in the highest.

Leader:

We praise you, most holy God,

for sending your only Son Jesus to live among us.

He took up his cross and died that we might live.

We praise you that he overcame death and is risen.

Remembering our Lord's command to take and eat,

we ponder the mystery of his promise

that in this meal we are joined to him,

and to one another as a holy people.

Today we gather at his invitation to break bread and share the cup and
proclaim the mystery of our faith:

(ALL)

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Leader:

Gracious God,

pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this bread and wine, that we,
and all who share this feast, may be one with Christ and he with us. Here
we offer ourselves to be a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to you.

Through Christ, in Christ in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

all glory and honour is yours, almighty God forever and ever. **Amen.**

***THE APOSTLES' CREED**

**please stand in body or in spirit*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered
under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to
the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is
seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living
and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen**

Thank you to our Worship Volunteers:

Greeters: Norm Ensing (Bradner), Jo-Ann Kiss (Calvin) and Loraine
Johnson (St. Paul's)

Communion Servers: Aart Koeman & Norm Ensing (Bradner),
Shaikh Ibraheem & Lois Warren (St. Paul's) and
Edward Akuffo & Malcolm McFee (Calvin)

Coffee Hosts: Joyce & Ron Tiessen (Calvin)

Music Team: Veronika Klassen & Jo Blaak (Calvin) and Rachael
Counce (Bradner)