

Calvin Presbyterian Church



Prayer of Preparation

Holy and loving God,
as we prepare to set aside our busyness
and to focus intently on Jesus' suffering and death,
we ask for eyes to see all of the amazing things that Jesus' death
means for understanding you, your love, and our salvation.
In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Prelude

Linda Clugston, *organ*

Welcome

Neil Trainer

Invitation to Contemplation

Were You There?

Call to Worship

1 John 4:9-10 CEB

Emily Mitchell

ONE: This is how the love of God is revealed to us:

ALL: **God has sent his only Son into the world
so that we can live through him.**

ONE: This is love:

ALL: **It is not that we loved God but that he loved us and
sent his Son as the sacrifice that deals with our sins.**

Song of Grace

How Deep the Father's Love for Us

Call to Lament

Prayer of Lament

Psalm 22:1–11

ONE: We hear Jesus say:

“My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?”
And we too at times pray:

**ALL: “Why are you so far from helping me,
from the words of my groaning?”**

ONE: O my God, I cry by day, but you do not answer;
and by night, but find no rest.

Yet you are holy,
enthroned on the praises of Israel.

**ALL: In you our ancestors trusted;
they trusted, and you delivered them.**

**To you they cried and were saved;
in you they trusted and were not put to shame.”**

ONE: We hear the words of the ancient psalm even as we see Jesus:

“But I am a worm and not human;
scorned by others, and despised by the people.

All who see me mock at me;

they make mouths at me, they shake their heads;

‘Commit your cause to the LORD; let him deliver —
let him rescue the one in whom he delights!’ ”

And we too pray:

**ALL: “Yet it was you who took me from the womb;
you kept me safe on my mother’s breast.
On you I was cast from my birth,
and since my mother bore me you have been my God.
Do not be far from me,
for trouble is near and there is no one to help.”**

The Word in Song

At the Cross

Calvin Choir

The Accusation

Matthew 27:11–30
O Sacred Head Now Wounded

Rob Crist

The Crucifixion

Matthew 27:31–43
When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

The Death of Christ

Matthew 27:45–54
What Wondrous Love Is This?

Candle Lighting

Abide with Me

Prayer for Hope

ONE: Giver of life, we wait with you to offer the hope
that comes from the cross to earth's darkest places.
Where pain is deep and affection is denied:

ALL: let love break through.

ONE: Where justice is destroyed,

ALL: let sensitivity to right spring up.

ONE: Where hope is crucified,

ALL: let faith persist.

ONE: Where peace has no chance,

ALL: let passion live on.

ONE: Where truth is trampled underfoot,

ALL: let the struggle continue.

ONE: Where fear paralyzes,

ALL: let forgiveness break through.

ONE: Eternal God, reach into the silent darkness of our souls
with the radiance of the cross.

O you who are the bearer of all pain,

ALL: have mercy on us.

ONE: Giver of life,

ALL: have mercy on us.

ONE: Merciful God,

ALL: have mercy on us. Amen.

Promised Blessing

Isaiah 42:1-3 NLT

Look at my servant, whom I strengthen.

He is my chosen one, who pleases me.

I have put my Spirit upon him.

He will bring justice to the nations.

He will not shout

or raise his voice in public.

He will not crush the weakest reed

or put out a flickering candle.

He will bring justice to all who have been wronged.

Postlude

Upcoming Events

Neighborhood Easter Egg Hunt

// Saturday, April 8, 10 am at Hillwood Park
(across the street from Calvin Presbyterian Church)

Invite your family, friends, and neighbors to come and join in the fun!



Edmonds Presbyterian Church

Edmonds Presbyterian Church Easter Sunday Service

// Sunday, April 9, 10 am



Calvin Presbyterian Church Easter Sunday Service

// Sunday, April 9, 10 am

On Easter Sunday we rejoice in the greatest miracle of all: Jesus conquered death and rose from the grave for us! Join us this Sunday at 10 am either in-person in the Sanctuary or streaming online.

High Noon Western Tea

// Saturday, April 22, 12 noon

The Ladies' Tea is back! On Saturday, April 22nd, Calvin Church is hosting a High Noon Western Tea. Enjoy finger sandwiches and treats while watching Debbie Demitre's one-woman show on Calamity Jane and Annie Oakley. These two women made history as sharpshooters in the Old West. Come and learn more about these remarkable women — but don't forget to wear your boots and hats!