

# **BEREAN BAPTIST CHURCH**

474 Chapel Street

Harrisville, R.I.

March 29, 2024



# **GOOD FRIDAY**

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**BEREAN BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Harrisville, Rhode Island

**Friday, March 29, 2024**

**Good Friday**

**7:00 PM**

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**WELCOME**

**PEACE**

**PRELUDE:** "Go to Dark Gethsemane" ~Richard Redhead arranged by Cindy Berry

**CALL TO WORSHIP:**

The  
people  
stood  
yelling,

**"Crucify!"**

and it breaks our hearts every time.  
For Jesus' death occurs every time someone  
is ignored, mistreated, oppressed.

**"Crucify!"**

tears  
away  
at  
God's  
Beloved.

**INVOCATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

~written by Christine Sine

Jesus is on his way toward the Cross.  
His disciples have fled and he is alone,  
alone with our suffering and our pain.  
Alone to face the wrath of the Roman Empire and the fury of the crowd.  
Alone and feeling abandoned by God.  
Yet not alone for all of humanity walks with him.  
We stumble and fall as he did.  
We are abused and spat upon.  
We feel despised and rejected –  
by ourselves, by others, by our world.  
God have mercy.  
Free us from our prisons and bring us new life  
We pray along with the prayer Jesus taught us saying...

*Our Father who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the Kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen*

**OPENING HYMN:** "Lead Me To Calvary"

Hymnal 176 vv. 1, 3, 4

**RESPONSIVE CONFESSION**

~ Chalice Worship

Pastor: "Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you." wrote Paul in his letter to the church in Ephesus.

Let us confess our lack of love and our need of grace:

**People: When we lose patience, when we are unkind,  
when we are envious, when we are rude or proud,  
when we are selfish or irritable, and when we will not forgive:  
have mercy on us God  
Help us not to delight in evil, but to rejoice in the truth;  
help us always to protect, to trust, to hope and to persevere:  
then shall we see you face to face, and learn to love as you love us in  
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

**Hymn:** O God How We Have Wandered"

Insert

**READING 1:**

Mark 14:26-31- **The Shadow of Denial**

Cindy Bonn

**Extinguish First Candle**

**READING 2**

Mark 14:32-42 - **The Shadow of Sorrow**

Cheryl Lacey

**Extinguish Second Candle**

**HYMN:** "Go to Dark Gethemane"

Insert

**READING 3**

Mark 14:43-52 – **The Shadow of Betrayal**

Cortney Lacey

## Extinguish Third Candle

### READING 4

Mark 14:53-15:15 – **The Shadow of Trial**

MaryBeth Martin

## Extinguish Fourth Candle

**HYMN:** “To Mock Your Reign”

Insert

### READING 5

Mark 15:16-32 – **The Shadow of Crucifixion**

Linda Morgenstern

## Extinguish Fifth Candle

**HYMN:** “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

Hymnal 185

### READING 6

Mark 15:33-47 – **The Shadow of Death**

Sandy Easterbrooks

## Extinguish Sixth Candle

**HYMN:** “He Hangs a Man Discarded”

Insert

## RESPONSIVE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

~based on prayer written by Rev. Bruce Prewer

Pastor: We seek your saving grace, Christ Jesus, for all those who on this Good Friday are lost among their doubts, sins, griefs or fears.  
O crucified Christ, have mercy on your sisters and brothers.

**People: O God of the Cross, deliver us from all evil.**

Pastor: For those who suffer gravely from cruel abuse, and all who suffer because of the apathy and neglect of respectable people.  
O crucified Christ, have mercy on your sisters and brothers.

**People: O God of the Cross, deliver us from all evil.**

Pastor: For some who are suffering from disease or accident, and the many who suffer because of terrorism and war.  
O crucified Christ, have mercy on your sisters and brothers.

**People: O God of the Cross, deliver us from all evil.**

Pastor: For people who bear their suffering alone and unaided, and others who though surrounded by medical personnel and equipment, still find their pain unbearable.  
O crucified Christ, have mercy on your sisters and brothers.

**People: O God of the Cross, deliver us from all evil.**

Pastor: For those who suffer abuse at home or at work, and the many children who suffer from the bullying or rejection of their peers.  
O crucified Christ, have mercy on your sisters and brothers.

**People: O God of the Cross, deliver us from all evil.**

Pastor: For any who suffer a painful, terminal illness, and those loved ones whose spirits are this day torn by raw grief.  
O crucified Christ, have mercy on your sisters and brothers.

**People: O God of the Cross, deliver us from all evil.**

Pastor: For those who in their suffering have no faith to support them, and any whose once-vibrant faith seems to be ebbing away under stress.  
O crucified Christ, have mercy on your sisters and brothers.

**People: O God of the Cross, deliver us from all evil.**

Pastor: For all who in suffering still trust and praise their God, and those who while suffering themselves still give comfort to their distressed friends and loved one.  
O crucified Christ, have mercy on your sisters and brothers.

**People: O God of the Cross, deliver us from all evil.**

Pastor: Loving God, we commit into your hands our lives, that in sickness or in health, in joy or in sorrow, we might carry the cross of one another's burdens, of justice and of peace. Loving God we commit our hearts into your own that we might have love for those who are falling down under the weight of their hardship. This we pray through Christ Jesus our redeemer.

**ALL: Amen.**

**CLOSING HYMN:** "Were You There?" Hymnal 181 vv. 1-3

**POSTLUDE:** "Classical Guitar Solo"

~Ardante, Johann Kasper Mertz

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**Thank you to our readers:**

Cindy Bonn  
Sandy Easterbrooks  
Cheryl Lacey  
Cortney Lacey  
MaryBeth Martin  
Linda Morgenstern