

A Prayer for Good Friday

Dear God, We remember today, the pain and suffering of the cross, and all that Jesus was willing to endure, so we could be set free. He paid the price, such a great sacrifice, to offer us the gift of eternal life.

Help us never to take for granted this huge gift of love on our behalf. Help us to be reminded of the cost of it all. Forgive us for being too busy, or distracted by other things, for not fully recognizing what you freely given, what you have done for us.

Thank you, Lord, that by your wounds we are healed. Thank you that because of your huge sacrifice we can live free. Thank you that sin and death have been conquered and that your Power is everlasting.

Amen

Upcoming Easter Services/Events

NECC Egg Hunt - TOMORROW @ 10am - Make plans to attend our Easter Egg Hunt TOMORROW! Our event is open to the community and will include kids activities and coffee drinks for adults. If you are able to donate or would like to volunteer to help make the event a success, please see Pastor Kelly. Invite a friend or neighbor by sharing our event on Facebook (<https://tinyurl.com/EggHuntFB23>)!

Easter Sunday @ NECC - Join us in celebrating the resurrection of Jesus Christ Sunday, April 9 at 10:30 am either in-person or live stream at NaperCov.org.

PRESCHOOL ROOM: Childcare is available in our Preschool Room and it is open during the entire Good Friday service. Children 2 - 5 are invited at any time to come explore the Bible together through story and play.

NURSERY: Our Nursery is located across the Preschool Room near the back of our church.

At Naperville Covenant Church

We desire to be an increasingly diverse, compassionate community committed to knowing, loving, and serving Jesus Christ in our neighborhoods and world.

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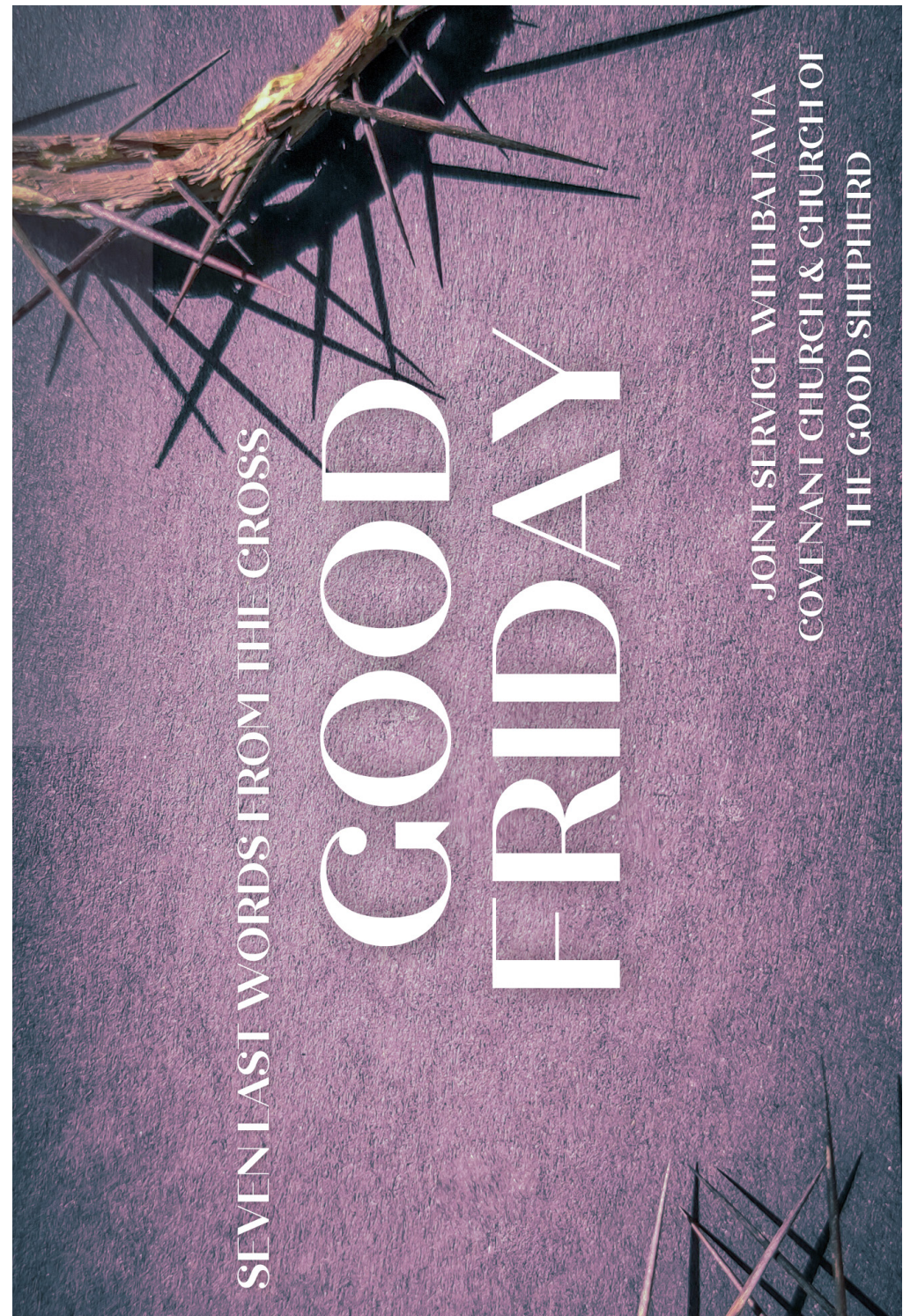
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Welcome to Naperville Covenant Church

Friday, April 7, 2023 - Good Friday Service - Seven Last Words from the Cross

Music

"Were You There"
Naperville Covenant Children's Choir

Word 1: Luke 23:34

"Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do."
Rev. Jake Bradley

Worship Music

"Stay With Me" Hymn #232

Word 2: Luke 23:43

"Today you shall be with me in paradise."
Rev. Cheryl Lynn Cain

Music

"Lord Jesus Think On Me" Hymn #362

Word 3: John 19:26-27

"Woman, behold your son! Behold your mother."
Rev. Josiah Cheng & Confirmands

Word 4: Matthew 27:46

"My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"
Rev. Eric Landin

Music

"O Sacred Head, Now Wounded" Hymn #238

Word 5: John 19:30

"I Thirst."
Rev. Kelly Johnston

Music

"Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross"

Word 6: John 19:30

"It is Finished."
Rev. Leslie X. Sanders

Music

"Go To Dark Gethsemane"

Word 7: Luke 23:46

"Father, into your hands I commend my spirit."
Rev. Leslie X. Sanders

Closing Music

"How Deep The Father's Love For Us"

Benediction

Rev. Leslie X. Sanders

Good Friday 2023

Thank you to the participants in tonight's collaborative service:

Rev. Jake Bradley, Lead Pastor,
Church of the Good Shepherd (Joliet)

Rev. Cheryl Lynn Cain, Pastor of Multicultural Ministries,
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Rev. Eric Landin, Lead Pastor,
Batavia Covenant Church

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Batavia Covenant & COGS Confirmation Students

NaperCov Children's Choir:

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Amaia Dawson
Sage Dawson
Josiah Johnson
Oren Johnston
Parker Johnston
Silas Johnston
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Jany Kisembo
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