

The first part of the paper discusses the importance of understanding the cultural context of the research. It highlights the need for researchers to be sensitive to the values and beliefs of the communities they are studying. This is particularly important in the field of education, where cultural differences can significantly impact learning outcomes.

The second part of the paper focuses on the methodology used in the study. It describes the process of selecting participants, collecting data, and analyzing the results. The authors emphasize the importance of using a mixed-methods approach to capture both quantitative and qualitative data.

The third part of the paper presents the findings of the study. It shows that there are significant differences in learning outcomes between students from different cultural backgrounds. These differences are attributed to a variety of factors, including language barriers, social norms, and access to resources.

The final part of the paper discusses the implications of the findings for education. It suggests that educators should take steps to create a more inclusive learning environment for all students. This can be done by providing additional support for students who are struggling and by incorporating culturally relevant materials into the curriculum.

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Sunday, April 18, 2025 10:30 am
Good Friday

*We gather today on the traditional and unceded territory
of the Algonquin Anishnaabe Nation.*

May we dwell on this land with respect and peace.

Welcome and The Announcements

The offering is collected-

***Sung Response: MV#191**

“What can I do? What can I bring?

What can I say? What can I sing?

I'll sing with joy. I'll say a prayer.

I'll bring my love. I'll do my share” x2

Dedication of Offerings

The Call to Worship: (together)

**“Blessed be the name of the Lord our God, who
redeems us from sin and death.**

For us and for our salvation,

**Jesus became obedient unto death, even death on a
cross.**

**Blessed be the name of the Lord,
today, tomorrow and forever. Amen.”**

**The Opening Hymn: 149 (vu) “When I Survey the
Wondrous Cross”**

The Gathering Prayers: (together)

**Dearest Jesus, our crucified and living Saviour, like
the disciples of long ago, we come filled with shame and
fear. We don't like chaos and confusion; we don't like
being forsaken; and we really don't want to bear the**

burden of your cross. As we recall the terrible circumstances of your trial, mockery and passion, we pray that you might help us to truly understand those tragic events; and reassure us, once again, of your great promise that in life, in death, and even in life beyond death, you are with us always. This promise we remember as we pray the prayer you taught us to say: “Our Father..”

The Choir

The Responsive Reading: Isaiah ch. 52: 13 - ch. 53:12. (Page 596) Known as the Fourth Servant Song, the vicarious Servant's suffering restores all people to God. This passage begins and ends with triumph, while the Servant's rejection and suffering are described in the middle.”

“The Day We Crucified Jesus”

I. The disciple Thomas, also called Didymus, recounts his memories on the day of Jesus's crucifixion.

Hymn: 145 (vu) “O Sacred Head”

II. Our Sleepiness and Our Silence

Hymn: 135 (vu) “Beneath the Cross”

III. We Join the Crowds in Their Chant and Mockery

Hymn: 144 (vu) “Were You There?”
(First four verses only)

IV. We Distance Ourselves From the Cross

V. Jesus Forgives Us

VI. A Litany Prayer at the Foot of the Cross:

One: O crucified Redeemer, we gather at the foot of your cross. In your pain and agony, we hear you praying on our behalf:

All: “Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing.”

One: We acknowledge how we continue to be caught up in the tangled web of this world’s sin: of greed and injustice; of power and oppression; of inhumane acts that continue to harm others.

All: “Father, forgive us, for often we do not know what we are doing.”

One: Have mercy upon us, O Crucified Redeemer, unworthy sinners that we are:

All: “Father, forgive us, and lead us into new paths of restoration and righteousness, for we pray in the name of our crucified Saviour. Amen”

VII. After a Difficult Day, We Go Our Separate Ways.

The Closing Hymn: 142 (vu) “Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross”

The Closing Prayer: (in unison)

“O God, we leave this time of remembrance having come face to face with the painful reality of betrayal, suffering, brokenness and death.

Yet we know that death isn’t the end of this story.

We know that, in Christ:

Goodness is stronger than evil;

Love is stronger than hate;

Light is stronger than darkness; and

Life is stronger than death.

So, O God, help us to go into our world to reveal the goodness, love, light, and love of our crucified Redeemer. Amen.

We depart this Worship Service in reverence, humility and silence.

At 12 Noon: The Almonte Ecumenical Walk of the Cross

1. Beginning at the Roman Catholic Church to the
2. Almonte United Church to
3. Community Presbyterian Church to
4. Almonte Baptist Church to
5. Town Hall (St. Paul's Anglican Church) to the
6. James Naismith Statue (Cornerstone Community Church) to the
7. Bottom of the Bay on Bay Hill
(Hillside Reformed Presbyterian Church)

The walk will take place rain or shine. Join at the beginning or anywhere along the route. Please join us afterwards at the Hillside Reformed Presbyterian Church for a short service and light refreshments.



CONGREGATIONAL NEWS

The 100th Anniversary of the United Church of Canada:

June is going to be a very special month celebrating this milestone event.

EOORC Event: On **June 15th at 11:00 am at the EY Centre** in Ottawa (near the Airport), our Eastern Ontario Outaouais Region is hosting a centennial worship service and barbecue luncheon for all congregations in the region.

Lanark Bus: The Lanark congregation is renting a bus and have invited us to join them. Although it's still very early, we need to give them an idea of how many from AUC might join them on the bus. Some people may want to drive; parking is free. **For those wishing to ride on the bus, please speak to Rev. Heather or call the Church Office.** Live Stream Service at AUC: Plans are being made to live stream this service for those who might prefer to stay home.

WHAT'S ON AT AUC THIS WEEK

OFFICE HOURS:

Mondays, Tuesdays & Thursdays from 10:00 am - to 2:00 pm

Friday April 18

10:30 Good Friday Service

12:00 Walk of The Cross

Saturday, April 19

10:00 Buddhist Meditation Group

Sunday, April 20

10:30 Sunday Worship- Easter Sunday

Sunday School

Youth Group

7:00 Lindsey Lambden Yoga



*******Set the Date !******

Movie Night Returns April 25th



7:00pm, Friday Apr 25, 2025



Admission is by donation. We have popcorn, hotdogs and pop and the cost for each will only be \$1. Hope to see you there!

