# **The Seven Last Words of Christ**



Presented by Students of the Wake Forest University School of Divinity

Good Friday • April 18, 2025 12:00 p.m.



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Good Friday Service Order of Worship April 18, 2025

Welcome Invocation Rev. Samuel J. Doyle Rev. Samuel J. Doyle

Litany Hymn

"He Will Remember Me"

Congregation Hymn # 240

Scripture

Clergy

First, Second, and Third Words from the Cross

**Reflections:** 

**Oliver Thomas** 

Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do. Luke 23:34

**Devin Withrow** 

Today, thou shalt be with me in paradise. Luke 23:43

**Courtney Jones** 

Woman, behold thy son! John 19:26-27

Hymn

"Old Rugged Cross"

Hymn # 244

Scripture

Clergy

Fourth, Fifth, and Sixth Words from the Cross

Reflections:

**Kyle Caudle** 

My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me? Matt 27:46, Luke 15:34

Max Digman

I thirst. John 19:26

Sophia Carter

It is finished. John 19:30

Hymn

"Were You There?" Rev. Joshua Campbell

Rev. Samuel J. Doyle

The Final Word from the Cross Father, into they hands I commend my Spirit. Luke 23:46

Hymn

"I Know It Was The Blood"

Hymn # 267

Benediction

Clergy

Offering

## LITANY

I remember a man who knew he was going to die: who gathered with his friends and spoke to them about what he really believed, who wanted them to remember and to keep his word alive.

I, too, remember.

The ranking priests bound him and turned him over to Pilate, the Roman governor.

I, remember.

Then Pilate had him flogged and turned him over to be crucified. Now, some women were observing this from a distance.

(All Together)

Today, we gather with them, and with Jesus, at the cross. Amen.

Lunch Served Following Service David R. Hedgley Fellowship Hall

# Seven Last Words Speakers

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Oliver Thomas, Ph.D., is the Associate Vice Chancellor of External Affairs at North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University. Dr. Thomas serves as an associate pastor at Providence Baptist Church, Greensboro, NC, where the Rev. Dr. Darryl W. Aaron is the Senior Pastor. Dr. Thomas holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science from North Carolina A&T State University, a Master's degree in Divinity from Wake Forest University, and a Doctor of Philosophy in Educational Studies with a concentration in Cultural Foundations from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. He is married to the lovely D'Najah Pendergrass Thomas of Charlotte, NC. They have one child, Ayden, who is the heartbeat of their lives.

**Devin Withrow** is originally from Wichita, KS. Devin earned his Bachelor of Arts in Religion and Philosophy from Friends University. Devin is a third-year student at Wake Forest University School of Divinity and will graduate with his Master of Divinity in May 2025. He is also earning a Certificate in Conflict Transformation from Eastern Mennonite University's Center for Justice and Peacebuilding, which he will complete in December 2025. After graduating, Devin will continue in his role at BJC (Baptist Joint Committee for Religious Liberty) as the operations assistant.

Reverend Courtney Jones, native town and state: born and raised in New Bern, NC, resident of Winston-Salem, NC for 20 years before relocating to Charlotte, NC this past summer. Undergraduate college: University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Academic degrees: BA in Public Policy Analysis from UNC-CH, MBA from Winston-Salem State University in Winston-Salem, NC, M.Div and MA in Counseling from Wake Forest University in Winston-Salem, NC with May 2025 completion date postgraduation plans: President and CEO of Big Brothers Big Sisters Services, Inc and plan to be a Licensed Clinical Mental Health Counselor in private practice. I am also ordained in the Baptist Church

**Rev. Kyle Caudle** was born in Winston-Salem, North Carolina. He completed his undergraduate degree in Religious Studies at the University of North Carolina Greensboro. He holds a Master of Arts in Teaching English as a Second Language from the University of North Carolina Greensboro and a Master of Divinity from the Wake Forest University School of Divinity. He was ordained in 2012 by First Baptist Church on Fifth in Winston-Salem where he currently serves as Associate Pastor of Youth, Missions, & Adults.

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Max Digman, a graduating student at Wake Forest University School of Divinity, is from Newton Falls, Ohio, and currently carries a Bachelor's of Arts in Music from Malone University in Canton, Ohio. Max is planning to work in Student Affairs following graduation this May. Max has a deep passion for development and formation and is excited to work with future collegiate students to help them in their personal and professional lives. Max is deeply grateful for his time at Wake Div and looks forward to what God will be doing next.

**Sophia Carter** is from Cherryville, North Carolina. She graduated from High Point University in 2022, earning a Bachelor of Science in Psychology and pursuing the pre-med track. She is a graduate candidate from Wake Forest University School of Divinity and will graduate in May 2025. After graduation, Sophia will continue her chaplain ministry at Atrium Health Wake Forest Baptist, where she will be a chaplain resident in August 2025. She is also a current inquirer in the PCUSA ordination process.

Reverend Samuel J. Doyle is the Senior Pastor of First Baptist Church-Highland. Rev. Doyle is a husband, father, brother, uncle, pastor and follower of the Lord Jesus Christ. A proud graduate of Buena Vista High School in Saginaw, Michigan, Rev. Doyle was trained up to be unapologetically Christian, unashamedly African American, and an audacious advocate for education, community, and accountability.

Pastor Doyle was chosen and called by God to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ, receiving his license on January 7, 2007. As a preacher, he follows in the footsteps of his late father, Rev. Dr. Seth R. Doyle, who pastored the Historic Second Baptist Church of Bay City, Michigan for more than thirty years.

Pastor Doyle received his Bachelor of Arts degree in Music from Saginaw Valley State University, and a Master *of* Divinity at Baylor University's George W Truett Theological Seminary in Waco, TX. He plans to continue his educational pursuits in hopes of obtaining a Doctorate.

Pastor Doyle's greatest joy is his family: his wife Erika and their daughters Samia and Eden.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES 8:45AM NOON-DAY BIBLE STUDY—WEDNESDAY 12:00 NOON WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY 7:00 PM

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