

Pre-service Song

Come and Hear the Story (He is Risen from the Dead)

Come and hear the story! See our Savior's glory!
Know that our Champion has won!
O, come, and join the chorus. Sing! Our God is for us!
Praise to the risen, reigning Son!

We were dead in sin when Christ came down from heaven,
Died in our place upon that tree.
But death could not contain him. He was not forsaken—
God raised him up for all to see!

Chorus

**Where, O Death, now is your sting?
Christ is raised in victory!
He is risen! He is risen!
Hallelujah!**

**Hear the words the angel said:
"He is risen from the dead!"
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
Praise Jesus!**

Now, in heaven reigning — soon, he is returning.
Then, resurrection he will bring.
So we, though outward dying, live by faith that's finding
Hope in our song of victory: (Chorus)

Life has come!
Sin and death are done!
Christ the Lord has won!
He is risen from the dead! (Repeat)

Go proclaim the story! Share our Savior's glory!
Shout that our Champion has won!
We go and take this chorus: "Sing! Our God is for us!
Praise to the risen, reigning Son!" (Chorus)

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Call To Worship

We confess the supremacy of God in Christ through both responsive reading and song.

Our Spoken Call to Worship

Responsive reading from Psalm 118:1, 5, 14, 17, 22-23 and Luke 24:34 (ESV)

Out of our distress we called on the LORD;
the LORD answered us and set us free.

**Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
for his steadfast love endures forever!**

The LORD is our strength and our song;
he has become our salvation.

**Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
for his steadfast love endures forever!**

We shall not die, but we shall live,
and recount the deeds of the LORD.

**Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
for his steadfast love endures forever!**

The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone;

**This is the LORD's doing;
it is marvelous in our eyes.**

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Our Sung Call to Worship

Christ the Lord is Risen Today

Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!
Sons of men and angels say, Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!
Sing, ye heav'ns, and earth, reply, Alleluia!

Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia!
Where, O Death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!
Dying once He all doth save, Alleluia!
Where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!

Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia!
Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!
Death in vain forbids him rise, Alleluia!
Christ hath opened paradise, Alleluia!

Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia!
Following our exalted Head, Alleluia!
Made like Him, like Him we rise, Alleluia!
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!

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Confession

We confess our need for mercy through both responsive reading and song.

Our Spoken Confession

Romans 3:10-18 (ESV)

Lord, we confess before you
that there is no one righteous, no, not one;
no one understands;
no one seeks for God.

We are sinners.
We are sinners indeed.

All have turned aside;
together they have become worthless;
no one does good,

not even one.
Their throat is an open grave;
they use their tongues to deceive.
The venom of asps is under their lips.

We are sinners.
We are sinners indeed.

Their mouth is full of curses and bitterness.
Their feet are swift to shed blood;
in their paths are ruin and misery,
and the way of peace they have not known.
There is no fear of God before their eyes.

We are sinners.
We are sinners indeed. Lord, have mercy!

Time of silent confession.

Assurance and Peace

We profess our assurance of salvation and peace in Christ through both responsive reading and song.

Remember the Gospel

1 Peter 1:3-4; Romans 6:4-5 (ESV)

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!

**According to his great mercy,
he has caused us to be born again to a living hope
through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead
to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled,
and unfading, kept in heaven for you.**

We were buried with him by baptism into death,
in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead
by the glory of the Father,
we too might walk in newness of life.

**For if we have been united with him in a death like his,
we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his.**

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Our Sung Profession of Assurance

Jesus Paid It All (O Praise the One)

I hear the Savior say,
"Thy strength indeed is small,
Child of weakness, watch and pray,
Find in Me thine all in all."

Chorus

**Jesus paid it all,
all to Him I owe;
Sin had left a crimson stain,
He washed it white as snow.**

Lord, now indeed I find
Thy pow'r, and Thine alone,
Can change the leper's spots
And melt the heart of stone. (Chorus)

And when, before the throne,
I stand in Him complete,
"Jesus died my soul to save,"
My lips shall still repeat. (Chorus)

Sin had left a crimson stain,
He washed it white as snow.
He washed it white as snow.
He washed it white as snow.

Oh, praise the One Who paid my debt,
And raised this life up from the dead.
Oh, praise the One Who paid my debt,
And raised this life up from the dead. (Repeat)

**Jesus paid it all,
all to Him I owe;
Sin had left a crimson stain,
He washed it white as snow.**

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King of Kings

In the darkness we were waiting
Without hope, without light,
'Til from heaven You came running,
There was mercy in Your eyes.

To fulfill the law and prophets,
To a virgin came the Word,
From a throne of endless glory,
To a cradle in the dirt.

Chorus

**Praise the Father,
Praise the Son,
Praise the Spirit, three in one.
God of Glory, Majesty,
Praise forever to the King of Kings**

To reveal the kingdom coming
And to reconcile the lost,
To redeem the whole creation,
You did not despise the cross.

For even in Your suffering,
You saw to the other side.
Knowing this was our salvation,
Jesus, for our sake You died. (Chorus)

And the morning that You rose,
All of heaven held its breath,

'Til that stone was moved for good,
For the Lamb had conquered death.

And the dead rose from their tombs,
And the angels stood in awe,
For the souls of all who'd come,
To the Father are restored.

And the Church of Christ was born,
Then the Spirit lit the flame.
Now this Gospel truth of old,
Shall not kneel, shall not faint.

By His blood and in His name,
In His freedom I am free
For the love of Jesus Christ,
Who has resurrected me. (Chorus)

Praise forever to the King of Kings.

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Thanksgiving and Petition

We Give Thanks in Prayer and Offer Petitions to God

We express our gratitude to God our Father for Christ's work on the cross for us and bring our requests before him. In bringing our requests, we confess that we believe God truly is a good father, who cares about our needs and gives us what he knows is best.

We Give Thanks by Giving

We give financial offerings to support the work of the church because of our gratitude to God. By giving we confess we are trusting in God's provision for us as well.

You may give electronically at gabcame.org/giving/ or place your offering in the boxes at the back of the sanctuary or send a check in the mail.

Scripture Reading

Matthew 28:1-20 (ESV)

¹Now after the Sabbath, toward the dawn of the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. ²And behold, there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. ³His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. ⁴And for fear of him the guards trembled and became like dead men. ⁵But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. ⁶He is not here, for he has risen, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. ⁷Then go quickly and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead, and behold, he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him. See, I have told you." ⁸So they departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. ⁹And behold, Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came up and took hold of his feet and worshiped him. ¹⁰Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee, and there they will see me."

¹¹While they were going, behold, some of the guard went into the city and told the chief priests all that had taken place. ¹²And when they had assembled with the elders and taken counsel, they gave a sufficient sum of money to the soldiers ¹³and said, "Tell people, 'His disciples came by night and stole him away while we were asleep.' ¹⁴And if this comes to the governor's ears, we will satisfy him and keep you out of trouble." ¹⁵So they took the money and did as they were directed. And this story has been spread among the Jews to this day.

¹⁶Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. ¹⁷And when they saw him they worshiped him, but some doubted. ¹⁸And Jesus came and said to them, "All

authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹ Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

This is the word of the Lord.

**The grass withers and the flower falls
but the word of the Lord endures forever.**

Sermon

Matthew 28:1-20 – "The King Has Risen" – Pastor Michael Felkins

Sermon Discipleship Questions

1. What encouraged you?
2. What convicted you?
3. Is there anything in your life that needs to change?

Behold the Lamb (Communion Hymn) (Distribution Song)

Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away, slain for us:

And we remember

the promise made that all who come in faith
find forgiveness at the cross.

So, we share in this Bread of Life,
and we drink of His sacrifice, as a sign
of our bonds of peace
around the table of the King.

The body of our Savior, Jesus Christ, torn for you:

Eat and remember

the wounds that heal, the death that brings us life,
paid the price to make us one.

So, we share in this Bread of Life,
and we drink of His sacrifice, as a sign
of our bonds of love
around the table of the King.

The blood that cleanses ev'ry stain of sin, shed for you:

Drink and remember

He drained death's cup that all may enter in
to receive the life of God.

So, we share in this Bread of Life,
and we drink of His sacrifice, as a sign
of our bonds of grace
around the table of the King.

Celebration of the Lord's Supper *(elements are gluten free)*

And so with thankfulness and faith we rise, to respond

And to remember

our call to follow in the steps of Christ,
as His body here on earth.

As we share in His suffering,
we proclaim Christ will come again, and we join
in the feast of heaven
around the table of the King.

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Sending

Having heard and confessed the Gospel, we are sent into the world on mission in Christ, which we express in both song and spoken word.

Sending Song

In Christ Alone

In Christ alone, my hope is found;
He is my light, my strength, my song;
This cornerstone, this solid ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My Comforter, my All in All—
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh,
Fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness,
Scorned by the ones He came to save.
Till on that cross as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied;
For every sin on Him was laid—
Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain.
Then bursting forth in glorious day,
Up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory,
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me;
For I am His and He is mine—
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death—
This is the pow'r of Christ in me;
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man,
Can ever pluck me from His hand;
Till He returns or calls me home—
Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

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Blessing

Hebrews 13:20-21 (ESV)

Now may the God of peace
who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus,
the great shepherd of the sheep,
by the blood of the eternal covenant,
equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight,
through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever.

Amen.

Scripture text for next Sunday: 2 Corinthians 4:16-5:11