

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader Rejoice, heavenly powers! Sing, choirs of angels!
Exult, all creation around God’s throne!
Jesus Christ, our King, is risen!
Sound the trumpet of salvation!

**All Rejoice, heavenly powers! Sing, choirs of angels!
Jesus Christ, our King, is risen!**

Leader Rejoice, O earth, in shining splendor,
radiant in the brightness of your King!
Christ has conquered! Glory fills you! Darkness vanishes forever!

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SONG OF PRAISE & RESPONSE

ALL CREATURES OF OUR GOD AND KING / WORDS: ST. FRANCIS

1. All creatures of our God and King,
lift up your voice and with us sing,
O, praise Him! Alleluia!
Thou burning sun with golden beam,
thou silver moon with softer gleam,
O, praise Him! O, praise Him!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

2. Thou rushing wind that art so strong,
ye clouds that sail in heav’n along,
O, praise Him! Alleluia!
Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice,
ye lights of evening, find a voice
O, praise Him! O, praise Him!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

3. And all Ye men of tender heart,
forgiving others take your part,
O sing ye! Alleluia!
Ye who long pain and sorrow bear,
praise God and on Him cast your care,
O, praise Him! O, praise Him!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

4. Let all things their Creator bless,
and worship Him in humbleness,
O, praise Him! Alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father,
praise the Son,
and praise the Spirit, three in one!
O, praise Him! O, praise Him!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

PRAYER OF ADORATION

**We give you thanks, great God,
for the hope we have in Jesus,
who died but is risen and rules over all.
Fill your church with the power
that flows from Christ’s resurrection
so that, in the midst of the sinful world,
we may signal the beginning of a renewed humanity,
risen to new life with Christ,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, forever and ever. Amen.**

SONGS OF PRAISE & RESPONSE

HE IS LORD / J. BARNETT

I will call on the name
of the Lord, my God
I will lift up my voice
to give praise to my King

*He’s the light in the darkness
He’s the calm in the storm
He’s the hope of the righteous
He is Lord, He is Lord*

There is peace in the presence
of the Lord, my God
There is power in the blood
of the Lamb that was slain

*Every knee will bow,
every tongue confess that He is Lord
Every knee will bow,
every tongue confess that He is Lord*

CROWN HIM WITH MANY CROWNS / M. BRIDGES; F. ORTEGA

1. Crown Him with many crowns,
the Lamb upon His throne;
Hark! How the heavenly anthem
drowns, all music but its own!
Awake, my soul, and sing,
of Him who died for thee,
and hail Him as thy matchless King,
through all eternity.

2. Crown Him the Lord of love,
behold His hands and side,
those wounds, yet visible above,
in beauty glorified.
No angel in the sky,
can fully bear that sight,
but downward bends his burning eye,
at mysteries so bright.

3. Crown Him the Lord of life,
who triumphed o’er the grave,
and rose victorious in the strife,
for those He came to save.
His glories now we sing,
who died and rose on high,
who died eternal life to bring,
and lives that death may die.

4. Crown Him the Lord of years,
the potentate of time,
Creator of the rolling spheres,
ineffably sublime.
All hail, Redeemer, hail!
For Thou has died for me;
Thy praise shall never,
never fail through all eternity.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Gracious Father and guardian of our lives,
teach us to guard our lives,
to treasure our bodies as temples of the Holy Spirit.
Forgive us our misuse of food and drink,
as we eat too much or not enough,
as we drink without moderation.
Forgive us all the other ways we abuse our bodies.
Forgive us our forgetting your affirmation
that you created us—heart, mind, and body—very good.
Christ Jesus, our great healer, bring your resurrection life, we pray,
to our emotions and our bodies, to our minds and spirits.
In his name, we pray. Amen.**

Silence is kept together.

SONG OF ASSURANCE

KYRIE ELEISON / MUSIC: F. ORTEGA

Kyrie, Kyrie Eleison
Kyrie, Kyrie Eleison
Kyrie Eleison
Kyrie Elei—son
Christe, Christe Eleison
Christe, Christe Eleison
Christe Eleison
Christe Elei—son

WORDS OF COMFORT & PEACE

Leader “For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning
all day long. For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my
strength was dried up as by the heat of summer. I acknowledged my
sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity; I said, ‘I will confess my
transgressions to the Lord,’ and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.”
Turn to Jesus Christ and know these words are true. Believe and be at
peace! — Ps. 32:3-5

All Thanks be to God! Alleluia!

GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader May the peace of the Lord be always with you.
Together And also with you!

**Children ages 2 to 5th grade are invited to participate in our children’s program during the
sermon; children return for Communion. For more information about our Children’s Ministry,
please see our director, Caroline, or email her at families@gracepasadena.org.*

OFFERING & THE OFFERTORY

**During the offertory, we consider all that we have and all that God may be asking
us to give. Please take this time to ask God how you might give of your financial
gifts, personal time and even vocational calling. There are different ways to give. You
may mail your offering to our office address: 16 N Marengo Ave Ste 609, Pasadena,
CA 91101; or give via our website: www.gracepasadena.org/give.*

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 24:36-49 (ESV)

³⁶As they were talking about these things, Jesus himself stood among them, and
said to them, “Peace to you!” ³⁷But they were startled and frightened and thought
they saw a spirit. ³⁸And he said to them, “Why are you troubled, and why do
doubts arise in your hearts? ³⁹See my hands and my feet, that it is I myself. Touch
me, and see. For a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.”
⁴⁰And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. ⁴¹And
while they still disbelieved for joy and were marveling, he said to them, “Have
you anything here to eat?” ⁴²They gave him a piece of broiled fish, ⁴³and he took
it and ate before them.

⁴⁴Then he said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still
with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets
and the Psalms must be fulfilled.” ⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the
Scriptures, ⁴⁶and said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and
on the third day rise from the dead, ⁴⁷and that repentance for the forgiveness of
sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem.
⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹And behold, I am sending the promise of
my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on
high.”

Reader This is the word of the Lord.
All Thanks be to God!

MORNING MESSAGE

Marc Choi

**Sermon Series: Encountering the Resurrection
“Good News for the Body”**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE - THE LORD’S PRAYER

*In our joys and sorrows, our hopes and fears, our faith and confusion, let us pray
for ourselves, our church, and world through the prayer Jesus taught us.
Because of God’s great love, we are bold to pray:*

**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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from the evil one.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

COMMUNION

GUIDELINES: *The sacrament of Communion is also called the Lord’s Supper or Eucharist.
It is the family meal for those who are willing to forsake their sin and trust in Jesus Christ for
salvation. The invitation is from Jesus Christ alone, not from this church or any minister. If you
are baptized and can call yourself a Christian, come to the table.*

DIRECTIONS: *When instructed, please come forward to receive Communion. Receive the
bread and juice from the servers. Participate as you feel comfortable.*

PRAYER: *Are you in need of prayer? Leaders of Grace are ready to pray with you. Today, find
a pastor or leader after the service. Share your needs as you feel comfortable. If you do not
want to share, simply say you need prayer and leave it at that.*

CHILDREN: *Children who are baptized, can profess faith in Jesus Christ in an age appropri-
ate manner, and have talked to a pastor or an elder may participate in communion.*

SONG OF RESPONSE & CELEBRATION

SAVIOR, LIKE A SHEPHERD LEAD US / D. THRUPP

1. Savior, like a shepherd lead us,
much we need Thy tender care;
in Thy pleasant pastures feed us,
for our use Thy folds prepare.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus!
Thou hast bought us, Thine we are.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus!
Thou hast bought us, Thine we are!

2. We are Thine, Thou dost befriend us,
be the guardian of our way;
keep Thy flock, from sin defend us,
seek us when we go astray.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus!
Hear, O hear us when we pray.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus!
Hear, O hear us when we pray.

3. Thou hast promised to receive us,
poor and sinful though we be;
Thou hast mercy to relieve us,
grace to cleanse and power to free.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus!
We will early turn to Thee.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus!
We will early turn to Thee.

4. Early let us seek Thy favor,
early let us do Thy will;
blessed Lord and only Savior,
with Thy love our bosoms fill.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus!
Thou hast loved us, love us still.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus!
Thou hast loved us, love us still.

I KNOW MY REDEEMER LIVES - GLORY HALLELUJAH / ARR: B. CHADWICK

I know that my Redeemer lives
Glory Hallelujah!
What comfort this sweet sentence gives
Glory Hallelujah!
He lives, He lives who once was dead
Glory Hallelujah!
He lives, my ever-lasting Head
Glory Hallelujah!

He lives to bless me with His love
Glory Hallelujah!
He lives to plead for me above
Glory Hallelujah!
He lives, all glory to His name
Glory Hallelujah!
He lives, still the same
Glory Hallelujah!

*Shout on, pray on
We're gaining ground
Glory Hallelujah, Glory Hallelujah
The dead's alive and the lost is found
Glory Hallelujah, Glory Hallelujah*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

All **Jesus Christ, we thank you for opening our eyes to your presence in and through the breaking of bread, and for redeeming our hearts, minds and bodies. Strengthened by your love, may we give our lives to others just as you have given your life to us. Amen.**

COME THOU FOUNT OF EVERY BLESSING / R. ROBINSON

1. Come Thou fount of every blessing,
tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
streams of mercy, never ceasing,
call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet,
sung by flaming tongues above.
Praise the mount I'm fixed upon it,
mount of Thy redeeming love!

3. Oh to grace how great a debtor,
daily I'm constrained to be!
Let Thy goodness, like a fetter,
bind my wandering heart to Thee:
prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
prone to leave the God I love;
here's my heart, oh take and seal it;
seal it for Thy courts above

2. Here I raise my Ebenezer;
hither by Thy help I'm come;
and I hope, by Thy good pleasure,
safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger,
wandering from the fold of God
he, to rescue me from danger,
interposed His precious blood

BENEDICTION & SENDING

Leader As God's own, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, and patience, forgiving each other as the Lord has forgiven you, and crown all these things with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony.
—based on Col. 3:12-14

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

All **He is risen indeed! Alleluia! Amen!**

ANNOUNCEMENT HIGHLIGHTS

- **Youth Retreat:** Calling rising 9th graders and current high school students! Mark your calendars for 7/26-7/30 and sign up for the summer youth conference in Malibu. Total cost is \$550, but students pay only \$50; the rest will be covered by the Youth Fund and silent auction fund-raiser. Use our app to sign up. If you'd like to sponsor a student, see Pastor Ben.
- **Silent Auction:** The silent auction is live! Bid on items and experiences contributed by members of our community. There's art, cooking lessons, babysitting, and much, much more. Use our app to bid! Auction ends 4/21.
- **Chili Cookoff:** Mark your calendars for 4/21 for our Chili con Bluegrass Cook-off Festival! Bring your best blue grass vibes and stay after service for fun and fellowship!

*Looking for a way to love our neighbors? Consider joining the Park Ministry after the service.

*If you are in any kind of need, please email mercy@gracepasadena.org or talk to a deacon or other leader of Grace. You are not alone - we are here to help!

*Scan the QR code below for more announcements and links to download our app!



GRACE PASADENA'S VISION STATEMENT

Grace Pasadena exists to **Experience & Extend** the life-giving grace of God

- **As** we grow in the knowledge of the gospel of Jesus Christ
- **In** every sphere of life
- **For** our neighborhoods, city and the world

GRACE PASADENA'S CORE VALUES

God-Centered Worship – We seek to be transformed in worship as we experience the wonder of God and respond appropriately

Gospel-Driven Identity – We seek a personal experience of the gospel that both humbles us, and assures us that we are more deeply valued and loved by God than we can possibly imagine

Outward-Facing Community – We seek the betterment of our city as we extend God's grace by loving our neighbors as ourselves

Kingdom-Minded Movement – We seek to extend the Kingdom of Jesus Christ by creating community and global partnerships that can reach and serve those in need

GIVING & BUDGET

	JAN-MAR '24*	APR '24*
OFFERINGS & CONTRIBUTIONS _____	\$102,627	\$9,230
BUDGETED EXPENSE _____	212,312	56,057
DIFFERENCE _____	-109,686	-46,827

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"Before the divine sojourn of the Savior, even the holiest of men were afraid of death, and mourned the dead as those who perish. But now that the Savior has raised His body, death is no longer terrible, but all those who believe in Christ tread it underfoot as nothing, and prefer to die rather than to deny their faith in Christ, knowing full well that when they die they do not perish, but live indeed, and become incorruptible through the resurrection."

ATHANASIUS | *ON THE INCARNATION, CH. 5*

"While it is true that sin has affected the entire cosmos — including our bodies — we must be careful that we don't end up hating our bodies. I find this far too often among Christians who, for whatever reason, think of their bodies in almost wholly negative terms. Simply to have a body, however, is certainly not sinful — we worship a resurrected Lord who rose bodily. Our Creator God gave us our bodies, and you can't rightly understand who we are apart from them."

KELLY M. KAPIC | *INTERVIEW IN BYFAITH, 2017*

Q. 37. What benefits do believers receive from Christ at death?

A. The souls of believers are at their death made perfect in holiness, and do immediately pass into glory; and their bodies, being still united to Christ, do rest in their graves till the resurrection.

WESTMINSTER SHORTER CATECHISM

3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 14, 2024