

CALVIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

April 5, 2026

[Narrative Lectionary Readings](#)
[Resurrection of the Lord Sunday](#)

[John 20:1-18](#)
[Psalm 118:21-29](#)

**indicates stand in body or in spirit*

Prelude & Chiming of the Bell Use this time to ask God to open your heart in worship this morning

Welcome and Opening Prayer

Alleluia! Jesus Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed!

Special Music

Easter Medley

Bell Choir

Call to Worship

adapted from Psalm 118:21-29

I thank you that you have answered us and have become our salvation

The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone. This is the LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes!

This is the day that the LORD has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the LORD.

The LORD is God, and has given us light.

O give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good; the LORD's steadfast love endures forever.

Let us come worship God, for Jesus Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

***Hymn**

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

Confession

1 Corinthians 15:19-22

"If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. For since sin and death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ."

Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the grave, you shattered the power of sin and death. But we confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear, bound by the ways that lead to death. We overlook the poor and the hungry, and pass by those who mourn; we are deaf to the cries of the oppressed, and indifferent to calls for peace; we despise the weak, and abuse the earth you made. Yet Christ is risen, and so we can never look at this world and those who bear your Image the same again.

So forgive us, God of mercy. Help us to trust your resurrecting power to change lives and make all things new – yes, even us! – that our lives and our life together may proclaim the news that Jesus Christ is risen indeed. *(Silent Confession)*

adapted from the PC(USA) Book of Common Worship

Assurance and *Gloria Patri

1 Corinthians 15:25-26, 54-57

“For Christ must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death...then the saying that is written will be fulfilled: ‘Death has been swallowed up in victory.’ ‘Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?’ The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.”

This is the Good News of Jesus Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

Scripture

[John 20:1-18](#)

Special Music

What An Awesome God

Josh Cameron, soloist

Sermon

Who Are You Looking For? (Come and See!)

***Hymn**

Christ Is Alive!

Call for the Offering and Dedication of [One Great Hour of Sharing](#)

Isaiah 58:9-12

“If you remove the yoke from among you...if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness...you shall be called the repairer of the breach...”

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Offertory

Because He Lives

Calvin Choir

***Doxology and Prayer of Dedication**

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

Recognition of New Members and the Sacrament of Baptism

Presentation of New Members

Profession of Faith

Trusting in the gracious mercy of God, do you turn from the ways of sin and renounce evil and its power in the world? **I do.**

Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Lord and Savior, trusting in his grace and love? **I do.**

Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty?

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Will you be a faithful member of this congregation, share in its worship and ministry through your prayers, gifts, study, and service, and so fulfill your calling to be a disciple of Jesus Christ? **I will, with God's help.**

The Sacrament of Baptism

Welcome and Passing of the Peace

May the Peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

...Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

...We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, who taught us to pray together:

**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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Breaking of Bread and Communion of God's People

***Hymn**

Rise, O Church, Like Christ Arisen

***Benediction and Charge**

***We Go Into the World Singing**

Rise, O Church, Like Christ Arisen (v. 4b)

Alleluia, alleluia. Rise, O church, a living faith.

Postlude

**please stand in body or in spirit*