

WELCOME to all who enter this place. Drink deeply of the living waters of God's grace as we worship together.

Visitors: Consider yourself at home while you are here! Please pick up a Visitor's Information Packet while enjoying refreshments just for you at our Visitor's Table in Fellowship Hall after our worship service.

Adult Sunday School: Adult Sunday School Class meets in Classroom 5 at 8:30 a.m. before worship.

Turning the Gem: On Mondays, 1 p.m. in Classroom 5. Monday, April 2, is the day after the Resurrection. It's time to lighten things up. Did you know there is humor in the Bible? Pastor Diane will lead us into all things funny in the Bible.

Rev. Mark Medina will **NOT** be holding office hours this Wednesday morning from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., at Coyote Grill at San Ignacio Golf Club.

Prayer Ministry: The Prayer Ministry group meets once a week to pray for our church, community, families, friends and the needs of the world. We are looking for a few more prayer warriors to join us in the Sweet Family Room every Tuesday at 9:30 a.m.

Cookbooks: We still have some 40th Anniversary Cookbooks available. Get yours at the Women's Ministries table every Sunday after worship. \$18.00 each or 2 for \$35.00.

One Great Hour of Sharing: Envelopes will be available for the offering collection today.

Tickets for Music In The Valley: Tickets for the Fred Fox Graduate Wind Quintet (April 20, 6:00 p.m.), are available at the Music in the Valley table in Fellowship Hall, the church office, or at the GV Chamber of Commerce. Tickets are \$10.00 in advance and \$15.00 at the door. The proceeds go to support the music ministry and the performers of the music series.

Flowers: If you would like to reserve flowers (one or both arrangements) in your name for any future Service of Worship, please call the church office (625-5023) or sign up at our Information Center on Sunday mornings. The cost is \$34 for each arrangement.

Mission Quilts will meet tomorrow from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Bring a snack when staying the entire time. Please call Patti Bright, 305-3275, if you have any questions.

Mission Breakfast: Mission Quilts, Just Coffee, Creative Hands, Prayer Shawl Ministries, and the Valley Galley will highlight a \$5 Mission breakfast on Saturday, April 14, 2018, at 8:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. Tickets will be available for sale after worship today.

Thank you to our volunteers!

Coffee Fellowship

Debra Comfort, Barbara Dittmer,
Chris & Nicole Raymond,
Steve & Jessie Setterlund

Medical Team

Marvin Clark

Owl Express

Dave Stepp, Mike Peake

Visitors Table

John & Sandy Green

Welcome Centers

Carol Peeler

La Posada Service of Worship

Helen Phillips, Rev. Dr. Lloyd,
Sonya Larsen

Easter Lilies given by: see insert

The Rose on the Baptismal Font Celebrates this Witness to the Resurrection in Jesus Christ

Larry McCormick March 15

The Grapevine: Monday, April 9 at 10:00 a.m. in the Spiritual Life Center. At this Grapevine, Pastor Diane will lead us in all things worship. This will be an informational meeting. What is happening to The Source? Why are we starting announcements at 9:20 a.m.? Do we have a worship committee? Bring your other questions.

Sound Board Operators Needed! Running the sound system in our sanctuary is a very important ministry. We have beautiful worship services, and the sound system enables our people to hear and enjoy and partake in worship. We are looking for 2-3 volunteers willing to learn how to run the sound board for our Sunday services. We will provide training, and once trained, we would hope to have a volunteer help out one Sunday each month. The only requirement is that you have to be able to hear very high and very low frequencies (ringing/humming/etc.). The sound person typically arrives at least one hour (sometimes earlier) before the service begins. If you are interested, please contact Wendy (wendyk@valleypres.net) or Pastor Diane (625-5023).



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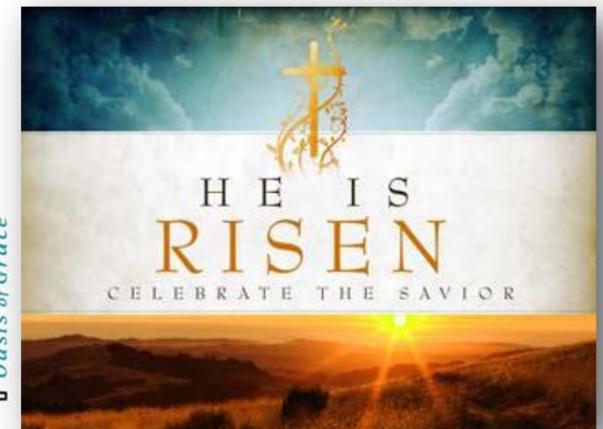
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REV. DR. LINDA LLOYD, *Interim Pastor of Care*

REV. JOE HAWKINS, *Pastor Emeritus*
STEVE RODINE, *Church Administrator*
JOEL PIERCE, *Director of Music*
CHRISTINE ERICKSON, RN, *Parish Nurse*



To know Christ and make him known through word and deed.

☩ All those who are able may stand

April 1, 2018

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Walking from the empty tomb, opening wide the gates of life: Christ the Lord is risen today! Alleluia! Lord of life, You defeated death to show that we can rise from all that binds us to the world: pride, envy, anger, fear, the debt of sin that holds us here. Christ the Lord is risen today! Alleluia! Amen.

9:20 A.M. WELCOME & NEWS OF THE CHURCH Rev. Christopher
Please print your name in the Friendship Register provided in your pew.

POURING OF THE WATER

L: *Jesus is the Living Water.*

P: **Praise be to God.**

PRELUDE

Were You There?

arr. Pierce

Pam Coggins - oboe

RINGING OF THE EASTER BELL

PROCESSION OF THE CHOIR

INTROIT

Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks (v. 2)

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Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to His name.

Spread the good news o'er all the earth:

Jesus has died and has risen.

Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to His name.

☩ CALL TO WORSHIP

re: Worship

Rev. Medina

L: *Christ is risen!*

P: **Christ is risen, indeed!**

L: *Give thanks to the Lord, for the Lord is good; God's steadfast love endures forever!*

P: **God's steadfast love endures forever!**

L: *The Lord is our strength and might; today, the Lord has become our salvation!*

P: **The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.**

L: *This is God's handiwork, and it is marvelous in our eyes!*

All: **This is the day that the Lord has made. Let us worship the God of Salvation.**

INVITATION TO PRAYER OF PRAISE

PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION

Christ, you are risen with the sun; you are light in darkness, warmth in our cold. You are peace and hope and joy, for you went willingly to death. You turned defeat and failure to victory for all. You live eternally and with you all the living and the dead who trust in you. May we who in baptism die to sin, rise again to new life and find our true place in your living body. May the covenant sealed in your blood through us bring healing and reconciliation to this wounded world. Alleluia! You are risen. We are risen with you. Praise and glory to the living God! In the name of the risen Lord, we lift up our heart and minds to you O Loving God. Amen.

RESPONSE TO ADORATION *Oh, How He Loves You and Me* (v.1) 2108

**Oh, how he loves you and me!
Oh, how he loves you and me!
He gave his life. What more could he give?
Oh, how he loves you; Oh, how he loves me;
Oh, how he loves you and me.**

✠ANTHEM *Hallelujah Chorus (From Messiah)* G.F. Handel
Sanctuary Choir and Congregation
Please sing along using your own score, or the bulletin insert
Following the Anthem, all children will go to Classroom 1 for Sunday School.

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION Rev. Dr. Lloyd

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Acts 10:39-43 *(Pew Bible p. 1710)*
Reader: *This is the Word of the Lord.*
People: **Thanks be to God!**

GOSPEL LESSON

John 20:1-18 *(Pew Bible p. 1685)*
Reader: *This is the Word of the Lord.*
People: **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON *"The Glorious Morning of Promise"* Rev. Medina

✠HYMN *Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!* Hymn To Joy 104

PRESENTATION OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

**If you haven't already done so, please print your name in the Fellowship Register.*

OFFERTORY *I Know That My Redeemer Lives* Craig Courtney
Sanctuary Choir; Pam Coggins - oboe

I know that my Redeemer lives, I know that my Redeemer lives, and that He shall stand at the latter day, upon the earth. And though my body be destroyed, and though my body be destroyed, yet in my flesh shall I see God.

Refrain:

Alleluia, alleluia, I know that my Redeemer lives!
Alleluia, alleluia, I know that my Redeemer lives!

Now we see in a glass dimly, but then, face to face.
Now I know in part, but then I shall know, as I am known.
(refrain)

I know that my Redeemer lives.

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**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.**

✠PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

MEANING OF THE SACRAMENT

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

L: *The Lord be with you.*
P: **And also with you.**
L: *Lift up your hearts.*
P: **We lift them up to the Lord.**
L: *Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*
P: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**
(The prayer continues...)

SINGING THE LORD'S PRAYER

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

BREAKING THE BREAD AND POURING THE CUP

Worshippers are invited to take the elements as each are passed and then hold until all can take together.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Holy God, we thank you for this meal that proclaims the peace and healing of the nations. We thank you for this meal where a little is enough to change our lives; where a little is more than enough to feed those whose hearts yearn for communion in community. May this bread and fruit of the vine nourish us so that we may grow in the faith and knowledge that in you, we are one. Amen.

✠HYMN *To God Be the Glory* To God Be The Glory 485

✠BENEDICTION

✠CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *Because He Lives*

**Because he lives, I can face tomorrow,
Because he lives all fear is gone;
Because I know he holds the future,
And life is worth the living, just because he lives.**

✠POSTLUDE *To God Be the Glory* arr. William Doane
OUR WORSHIP NOW ENTERS THE WORLD!

Worship Aids/Sermon Notes

Sermon Title: *"The Glorious Morning of Promise"*

Acts: 10:39-43 (NIV)

"We are witnesses of everything he did in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They killed him by hanging him on a tree, but God raised him from the dead on the third day and caused him to be seen. He was not seen by all the people, but by witnesses whom God had already chosen—by us who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one whom God appointed as judge of the living and dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

John 20:1-18 (NIV)

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the entrance. So she came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved, and said, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we don't know where they have put him!"

So Peter and the other disciple started for the tomb. Both were running, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent over and looked in at the strips of linen lying there but did not go in. Then Simon Peter, who was behind him, arrived and went into the tomb. He saw the strips of linen lying there, as well as the burial cloth that had been around Jesus' head. The cloth was folded up by itself, separate from the linen. Finally the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went inside. He saw and believed. (They still did not understand from Scripture that Jesus had to rise from the dead.)

Then the disciples went back to their homes, but Mary stood outside the tomb crying. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb and saw two angels in white, seated where Jesus' body had been, one at the head and the other at the foot.

They asked her, "Woman, why are you crying?" "They have taken my Lord away," she said, "and I don't know where they have put him." At this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not realize that it was Jesus.

"Woman," he said, "why are you crying? Who is it you are looking for?" Thinking he was the gardener, she said, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have put him, and I will get him." Jesus said to her, "Mary." She turned toward him and cried out in Aramaic, "Rabboni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said, "Do not hold on to me, for I have not yet returned to the Father. Go instead to my brothers and tell them, 'I am returning to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" Mary Magdalene went to the disciples with the news: "I have seen the Lord!" And she told them that he had said these things to her.