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*Bringing Joy to the
Heart of Rockwall*

We are a community of faith, formed in the grace and joy of Jesus Christ.

We are a people involved in God's sure and unfolding promise to mend His creation through the life, death and resurrection of His Son, Jesus Christ, and in the power of the Holy Spirit.

We are a church under the cross of Christ, shaped by the ancient rhythms and Christian worship, fellowship and service to others.

COME SHARE THE JOY!

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Our Council President

Paul Manak



WELCOME TO OUR MEMBERS AND VISITORS

- It is a pleasure to worship together. If you are a newcomer, have a prayer request, or would like a call or visit from Pastor Martin, please fill out the card on the back of each pew. Information on our core beliefs, structure and mission is available at the Welcome Table and on our website.
- We practice open communion. All who are baptized and desire to share in the Body and Blood of our Lord are welcome.
- Seven Week Small Group DVD and Discussion Study at 9:00 a.m. through June 15th; "When the Game is Over It All Goes Back in the Box" by John Ortberg.
- Young at Heart luncheon is set for Wednesday, May 14th at 11:45 am at Asadero House, 9401 Lakeview Pkwy, Rowlett.
- May 25th is the last day of Sunday School going into summer; we will celebrate Gabriel Manak's "Graduation" with a cake.
- Ladies next Bunco Night is Wednesday, May 28th at 6:30 p.m., bring a dish to share and \$5 to play; Chris Briggs is providing a dessert.
- Children in worship are a blessing! A worship bag (filled with coloring pages and crayons, children's bulletin, etc.) is available at the back of the sanctuary to use during worship. Ask an usher if you need assistance.
- Sign-up Sheets for May, June and July are on the Blessings Board in the Fellowship Hall. Please review these opportunities and consider where God may be leading you to serve our church family.

PRELUDE

*You may use this time for silent meditation
to prepare your heart for worship*

**"O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness;
let the whole earth stand in awe of him."**

(Psalm 96:9)

Please stand

PROCESSIONAL HYMN – **"ALLELUIA! SING TO JESUS" (LBW 158)
(vs 1,3,5)**

Alleuia! Sing to Jesus

"And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age." Matthew 28:20b



Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; His the scep - ter, his — the throne;
Al - le - lu - ia! Not as or - phans Are we left in sor - row now;
Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of heav - en, Here on earth our food, our stay;
Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, Lord om - ni - po - tent we own;



Al - le - lu - ia! His the tri - umph, His the vic - to - ry — a - lone.
Al - le - lu - ia! He is near — us; Faith be - lieves, nor ques - tions how.
Al - le - lu - ia! Here the sin - ful Flee to you from day — to day.
Al - le - lu - ia! Born of Mar - y, Earth your foot - stool, heav'n your throne.



Hark! The songs of peace - ful Zi - on Thun - der like — a might - y flood:
Though the cloud - from sight re - ceived him When the for - ty days — were o'er,
In - ter - ces - sor friend of sin - ners, Earth's re - deem - er, hear — our plea
As with - in — the veil you en - tered, Robed in flesh, our great — high priest,



"Je - sus out — of ev - 'ry na - tion Has re - deemed us by his blood."
Shall our hearts for - get — his prom - ise: "I am with — you ev - er - more?"
Where the songs of all — the sin - less Sweep a - cross — the crys - tal sea.
Here on earth both priest and vic - tim In the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.

5 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus; His the scepter, his the throne;
Alleluia! His the triumph, his the victory alone.
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion Thunder like a mighty flood;
"Jesus out of ev'ry nation Has redeemed us by his blood."

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

Pastor (P): "In the name of the Father,
and of the † Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation (C): Amen

(P): "Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord."

(C): Amen.

(P): "If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

Silence is kept for reflection and private confession.

(P): "Most merciful God,"

(C): We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

(P): "In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit."

(C): Amen.

GREETING

(P): "The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all."

(C): And also with you.

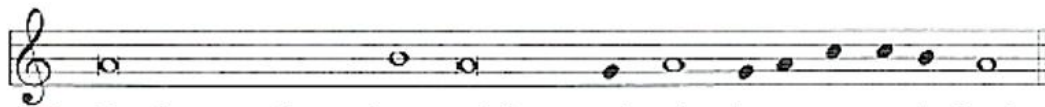
KYRIE



A In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



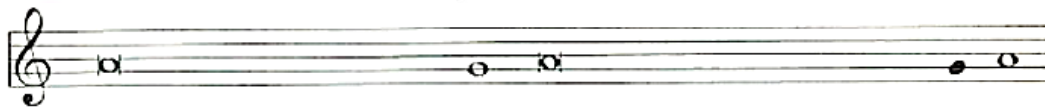
C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal-vation, let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the uni-ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.

A Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord.

C A - men

HYMN OF PRAISE "THIS IS THE FEAST"

Following Instrument

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.

All

1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us

free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and

strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.

Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.

2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the

hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless-ing and hon - or and glo - ry and

might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Final refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain

has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

(P): "The Lord be with you."

(C): And also with you.

(P): "Let us pray."

(P): O God, by the humiliation of your Son, you raised up this fallen world. Teach us whom you have rescued from endless death to have the fullness of eternal joy, through the same Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. For he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

(C): Amen.

Please be seated

HOLY WORD

(GOD SPEAKS TO US IN SCRIPTURE READING, PREACHING, AND SONG)

First Reading: Acts 9:1-22

¹Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest ²and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any belonging to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. ³Now as he went on his way, he approached Damascus, and suddenly a light from heaven shone around him. ⁴And falling to the ground, he heard a

voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?" ⁵And he said, "Who are you, Lord?" And he said, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. ⁶But rise and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do." ⁷The men who were traveling with him stood speechless, hearing the voice but seeing no one. ⁸Saul rose from the ground, and although his eyes were opened, he saw nothing. So they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. ⁹And for three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank. ¹⁰Now there was a disciple at Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." And he said, "Here I am, Lord." ¹¹And the Lord said to him, "Rise and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul, for behold, he is praying, ¹²and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight." ¹³But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints at Jerusalem. ¹⁴And here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who call on your name." ¹⁵But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is a chosen instrument of mine to carry my name before the Gentiles and kings and the children of Israel. ¹⁶For I will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name." ¹⁷So Ananias departed and entered the house. And laying his hands on him he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus who appeared to you on the road by which you came has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." ¹⁸And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and he regained his sight. Then he rose and was baptized; ¹⁹and taking food, he was strengthened. For some days he was with the disciples at Damascus. ²⁰And immediately he proclaimed Jesus in the synagogues, saying, "He is the Son of God." ²¹And all who heard him were amazed and said, "Is not this the man who made havoc in Jerusalem of those who called upon this name? And has he not come here for this purpose, to bring them bound before the chief priests?" ²²But Saul increased all the more in strength, and confounded the Jews who lived in Damascus by proving that Jesus was the Christ.

L: The Word of the Lord.

(C): Thanks be to God.

Psalm 30

¹I will exalt you, O LORD, because you have lifted me up*
and have not let my enemies triumph over me.

**²O LORD my God, I cried out to you,*
and you restored me to health.**

³You brought me up, O LORD, from the dead;*
you restored my life as I was going down to the grave.

**⁴Sing to the LORD, you servants of his;*
give thanks for the remembrance of his holiness.**

⁵For his wrath endures but the twinkling of an eye,*
his favor for a lifetime.

**⁶Weeping may spend the night,*
but joy comes in the morning.**

⁷While I felt secure, I said, "I shall never be disturbed.*
You, LORD, with your favor, made me as strong as the mountains."

**⁸Then you hid your face,*
and I was filled with fear.**

⁹I cried to you, O LORD;*
I pleaded with the LORD, saying,

**¹⁰"What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the pit?*"
will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?**

¹¹Hear, O LORD, and have mercy upon me;*
O LORD, be my helper."

**¹²You have turned my wailing into dancing;*
you have put off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy.**

¹³Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing;*
O LORD my God, I will give you thanks forever.

Second Reading: Revelation 5:8-14

⁸And when he had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each holding a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. ⁹And they sang a new song, saying, "Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation, ¹⁰and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they shall reign on the earth." ¹¹Then I looked, and I heard around the throne

and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, ¹²saying with a loud voice, "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!" ¹³And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying, "To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!" ¹⁴And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" and the elders fell down and worshiped.

L: The Word of the Lord.

(C): Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the Reading of the Gospel

Gospel Canticle ~ **"THE LORD IS IN HIS HOLY TEMPLE"**

The Lord is in His ho - ly tem - ple: Let all the earth keep
 si - lence be - fore Him: Keep si - lence, keep si - lence, Keep si - lence be - fore Him.

(P): "The Holy Gospel according to St. John."

(C): Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: John 21:1-14

¹After this Jesus revealed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias, and he revealed himself in this way. ²Simon Peter, Thomas (called the Twin), Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples were together. ³Simon Peter said to

them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. ⁴Just as day was breaking, Jesus stood on the shore; yet the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. ⁵Jesus said to them, "Children, do you have any fish?" They answered him, "No." ⁶He said to them, "Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in, because of the quantity of fish. ⁷That disciple whom Jesus loved therefore said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his outer garment, for he was stripped for work, and threw himself into the sea. ⁸The other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, but about a hundred yards off. ⁹When they got out on land, they saw a charcoal fire in place, with fish laid out on it, and bread. ¹⁰Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." ¹¹So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, 153 of them. And although there were so many, the net was not torn. ¹²Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared ask him, "Who are you?" They knew it was the Lord. ¹³Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and so with the fish. ¹⁴This was now the third time that Jesus was revealed to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

(P): "The Gospel of the Lord"

(C): Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

Third Sunday of Easter

"THE RESURRECTED LORD QUESTIONS ST. PETER (AND US!)"

Please stand.

HYMN OF THE DAY – **"PRAISE TO THE LORD, THE ALMIGHTY"**

(LBW 543)

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you! Psalm 67:3

Text: Joachim Neander, 1650-1680; trans, Catherine Winkworth, 1827-1878

Tune: Stralsund Gesangbuch, 1665

Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre - a -
 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is won - drous - ly reign -
 Praise to the Lord, who will pros - per your work and de - fend
 Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me a - dore

tion! O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and sal -
 ing And, as on wings of an ea - gle, up - lift - ing, sus -
 you; Sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall dai - ly at -
 him! All that has life and breath, come now with prais - es be -

va - tion! Let all who hear Now to his
 tain - ing. Have you not seen All that is
 tend you. Pon - der a - new What the Al -
 fore him! Let the a - men Sound from his

tem - ple draw near, Join - ing in glad a - do - ra - tion!
 need - ful has been Sent by his gra - cious or - dain - ing?
 might - y can do If with his love he be - friend you.
 peo - ple a - gain. Glad - ly for - ev - er a - dore him!

Please Remain standing.

APOSTLES' CREED

(P): "With the whole church, let us confess our faith with the words of the Apostles' Creed."

I BELIEVE in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I BELIEVE in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was 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. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

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.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

(P): "Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs."

A brief silence.

(P): "... Lord in your mercy." **(C): hear our prayer.**

(P): "Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord."

(C): Amen.

SHARING THE PEACE

(P): "The peace of the Lord be with you always."

(C): And also with you.

(P): "Let us share that peace with one another."

Please be seated [after sharing the peace - ushers will collect offering]

GATHERING & PRESENTATION OF OUR OFFERINGS

As the gifts are brought forward to the altar,
we will sing the Offertory Response

[Motion ushers to come forward with the Offering plates]

Please stand.

"Let the Vineyards be Fruitful"

Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our
cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown, that
we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and
dreams of all; u - nite them with the prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble
with your pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

OFFERING PRAYER

(P): "Let us pray,"

(C): Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING DIALOGUE

(P): "The Lord be with you."

(C): And also with you.

(P): "Lift up your hearts."

(C): We lift them to the Lord.

(P): "Let us give thanks to the Lord our God."

(C): It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

(P): "It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; who, after his resurrection, appeared openly to his disciples and, in their sight, was taken up into heaven, that he might make us partakers of his divine nature. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS - HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Please remain standing.

HOLY MEAL

(God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.)

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

(P): In the night in which He was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks, broke it, and gave it to His disciples, saying: *Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.*

(P): Again, after supper, He took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: *This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.*

(P): Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

(C): Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

(P): Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

(C): 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 evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen

Please be seated.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

(P): "Come, for all has been prepared."

AGNUS DEI - LAMB OF GOD

C Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of
God, you take a - way the sin of the world;
grant us peace, grant us peace.

Please stand.

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

(P): "May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace."

(C): Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

(P): Let us pray. "We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord."

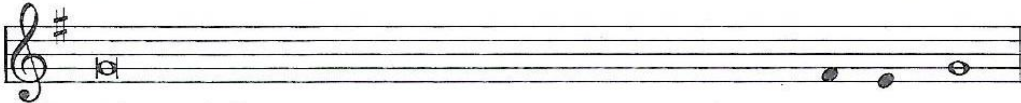
(C): Amen.

Please remain standing.

SENDING

(God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.)

BLESSING



☐ The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make his face shine on you
and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.



SENDING HYMN - "ALL CREATURES OF OUR GOD & KING" (LBW 527) (vs 1-3)

All Creatures of Our God and King

1 All crea-tures of our God and King, Lift up your voice with
2 O rush-ing wind and breez-es soft, O clouds that ride the
3 O flow-ing wa-ters, pure and clear, Make mu-sic for your
4 Dear moth-er earth, who day by day Un-folds rich bless-ings

us and sing: Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!
winds a-loft: Oh, . . . praise him! Al-le-lu-ia!
Lord to hear. Oh, . . . praise him! Al-le-lu-ia!
on our way, Oh, . . . praise him! Al-le-lu-ia!

O burn - ing sun with gold - en beam
 O ris - ing morn, in praise re - joice,
 O fire so mas - ter - ful and bright,
 The fruits and flow'rs that ver - dant grow,

And sil - ver moon
 O lights of eve -
 Pro - vid - ing us
 Let them his praise

Refrain

with soft - er gleam:
 ning, find a voice.
 with warmth and light,
 a - bun - dant show.

Oh, praise him! Oh, praise him!

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

DISMISSAL

(P): "We are called by Christ"

(C): To JOYfully share Jesus and ourselves with our neighbors.

(P): "Go in peace. Share the good news."

(C): Thanks be to God.

OUR WORSHIP SERVANTS THIS MORNING:

Greeter:	Inez Roach
Ushers:	Paul & Linda Manak
Altar Care:	Sharon Johnson
Lector & Communion Assistant:	Rhonda White
Acolytes:	Jacob Hart & Reilly Mahoney
Music Monitor:	Rhonda White
Facebook Live:	Gabriel Manak
Hospitality:	Denise Moore
Offering Count Team:	Rhonda White & Volunteer
Presiding Pastor:	Pr. Martin Moore

The Altar flowers this morning are
provided by Inez Roach

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