Risen! **Easter Sunday**

ROCKY MOUNTAIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH April 20, 2025

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Glorifying God by making disciples who love Christ, his Church, and all people.

Welcome!

VISITOR INFORMATION

During parts of our service, the congregation is asked to stand

(indicated by a * in the bulletin). We understand that some are not able to stand for various reasons; please feel free to remain seated.

Please fill out a Connect Card with your contact information and/or prayer requests. Place it in the box on the back table. If you have an urgent prayer request, you can email it to admin@rmpca.org.

We love children and believe that God calls us to help them grow in the faith. Children's activity bags are available at the back of the sanctuary, along with a Cry Room downstairs. You are welcome to keep your children with you throughout the service.

NURSERY: There is a nursery available downstairs during the entire worship service for infants and toddlers up to 2 years old.

Rocky Mountain Presbyterian Church is a congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA).

* Worship Christ The Risen King

Henry T. Smart, 1867. Jack W. Hayford, 1986.

- 1. Rise, O Church, and lift your voices; Christ has conquered death and hell. Sing as all the earth rejoices; Resurrection anthems swell. Come and worship, come and worship, Worship Christ the Risen King.
- 2. See the tomb where death had laid Him. Empty now its mouth declares:
 Death and I could not contain Him,
 For the throne of life He shares.
 Come and worship, come and worship,
 Worship Christ the Risen King.
- 3. Hear the earth protest and tremble; See the stone removed with pow'r. All hell's minions may assemble, But cannot withstand His hour. He has conquered, He has conquered, Christ the Lord the Risen King.
- 4. We acclaim Your life, O Jesus; Now we sing Your victory. Sin or hell may seek to seize us, But Your conquest keeps us free. Stand in triumph, stand in triumph, Worship Christ the Risen King.

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Worship Leader: Christ is risen!

People: He is risen indeed!

Worship Leader: O LORD, you have brought up my soul from Sheol, you restored me to life from among those who go down to the pit.

People: Sing praises to the LORD, O you his saints, and give thanks to his holy name.

Worship Leader: For his anger is but for a moment, and his favor is for a lifetime.

People: Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning.

Worship Leader: You have turned my mourning into dancing; you have loosed my sackcloth and clothed me with gladness.

People: My glory will sing your praise and not be silent. O LORD my God, I will give thanks to you forever!

Adapted from Psalm 30

* Christ Is Risen

Music and lyrics by Matt Maher.

1. Let no one caught in sin remain Inside the lie of inward shame; We fix our eyes upon the cross And run to Him who showed great love, And bled for us, Freely You've bled for us.

CHORUS

Christ is risen from the dead, Trampling over death by death; Come awake, come awake, Come and rise up from the grave. Christ is risen from the dead, We are one with Him again; Come awake, come awake, Come and rise up from the grave. 2. Beneath the weight of all our sin, You bowed to none but Heaven's will; No scheme of Hell, no scoffer's crown, No burden great can hold You down. In strength You reign, Forever let Your church proclaim.

CHORUS

BRIDGE

O death, where is your sting?
O hell, where is your victory?
O church, come, stand in the light;
The glory of God has defeated the night.
O death, where is your sting?
O hell, where is your victory?
O church, come, stand in the light;
Our God is not dead,
He's alive, He's alive!

CHORUS

* Lift High the Cross

Music and lyrics by George W. Kitchin, 1887. Revised by Michael R. Newbolt, 1916. Alt.1990 Sydney H. Nicholson, 1916.

REFRAIN

Lift high the cross, The love of Christ proclaim, Till all the world adore His sacred Name.

Come, brethren, follow
 Where our Captain trod,
 Our King victorious; Christ the Son of God.

REFRAIN

2. Led on their way by this triumphant sign, The hosts of God In conquering ranks combine.

REFRAIN

3. O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree, As thou hast promised, Draw the world to thee.

REFRAIN

4. Thy Kingdom come, That earth's despair may cease Beneath the shadow of its healing peace.

REFRAIN

* CONFESSION OF SIN

Worship Leader: Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound?

People: By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it?

Worship Leader: God of grace, you love us, but we have not loved you. You call, but we have not listened.

People: We walk away from our neighbors in need, wrapped up in our own concerns. By our actions and our attitudes, we praise what you condemn.

Worship Leader: Help us to admit our sin, so that we may repent, turn to you, and receive forgiveness.

People: May we be dead to sin and alive in Christ through the power of his resurrection. Amen.

Silent Confession of Sin

Worship Leader: Lift up your heads, you who have been baptized into Christ's death to walk in newness of life, and hear these words of grace.

Words of Grace

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. We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. For one who has died has been set free from sin. Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him.

* Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

Music and lyrics by Charles Wesley, 1739.

- 1. 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!
- 2. Lives again, our glorious King, Alleluia! Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia! Once He died our souls to save, Alleluia! Where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!
- 3. Soar we now where Christ hath led, Alleluia! Foll'wing our exalted Head, Alleluia! Made like Him, like Him we rise, Alleluia! Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!
- 4. Hail, the Lord of earth and heav'n! Alleluia! Praise to thee by both be giv'n; Alleluia! Thee we greet triumphant now; Alleluia! Hail, the Resurrection, thou! Alleluia!

OFFERING AND PASTORAL PRAYER

Our offering box is on the table in the back of the sanctuary. You can also give online at https://rmpca.org/giving/. Fill out an online Next Step card at https://rmpca.org/nextsteps.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Parents of 3-5 year olds can use this time to take your kids downstairs and sign them in for Junior Church - Bible lesson and craft activity.

SCAN HERE TO GIVE

RMPC CHOIR - "Rejoice!"

By Joseph M. Martin



SCAN HERE FOR CONNECT CARD

From Skepticism to Faith: A Journey with Jesus **John 20:24-31**

Pastor Shane Michael Waldron

²⁴ Now Thomas, one of the twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵ So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe."

²⁶ Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁷ Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe." ²⁸ Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" ²⁹ Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

³⁰ Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; ³¹ but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

Main Idea: Jesus leads us from skepticism to faith.

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II. The Journey to Belief

III. The Response of Faith

The Lord's Supper

Minister: Then I heard what seemed to be the voice of a great multitude, like the roar of many waters and like the sound of mighty peals of thunder, crying out:

People: Hallelujah! For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns.

Minister: Let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory.

People: For the marriage of the Lamb has come, and his Bride has made herself ready.

Minister: Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb.

People: These are the true words of God.

Revelation 19:6-7, 9

All who trust Christ for salvation and desire to live for him are invited to participate. If that doesn't describe you, feel free to sit and reflect on what God may be saying to you through His Word.

Please come forward down the center aisle and return to your seat via the side aisles. Select either grape juice (in the clear cups) or wine (in the red cups). After receiving the elements, we return to our seats to partake together.

Gluten-free wafers are available upon request. Ingredients: Garbanzo Bean Flour, Potato Starch, Tapioca Flour, Whole Grain Sweet White Sorghum Flour, Fava Bean Flour, Water.

Children who have not yet made a profession of faith are invited to come forward for prayer at a prayer station. If your child is ready to profess their faith, please speak with our Pastor or one of the Elders.

* The Victor's Crown

Music and lyrics by Israel Houghton, Kari Jobe, and Darlene Zschech.

- 1. You are always fighting for us; Heaven's angels all around. My delight is found in knowing That You wear the Victor's crown. You're my help and my defender; You're my Savior and my friend. By Your grace I live and breathe To worship You.
- 2. At the mention of Your greatness, In Your Name I will bow down. In Your presence fear is silent, For You wear the Victor's crown. Let Your glory fill this temple; Let Your power overflow. By Your grace I live and breathe To worship You.

CHORUS
Hallelujah!
You have overcome;
You have overcome.
Hallelujah!
Jesus, You have
Overcome the world.

3. You are ever interceding As the lost become the found. You can never be defeated, For You wear The Victor's crown. You are Jesus the Messiah; You're the Hope of all the world. By Your grace I live and breathe To worship You.

CHORUS

BRIDGE (X3)

Every high thing must come down; Every stronghold shall be broken. You wear the Victor's crown: You overcome, You overcome.

4. At the cross the work was finished; You were buried in the ground. But the grave could not contain You, For You wear the Victor's crown.

CHORUS (X2)

* Benediction

Leader: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

EASTER SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP — TODAY AFTER SERVICE

Join us **immediately after service** to enjoy a time of fellowship at an Easter brunch; food and drinks will be provided!

MISSIONS WEEKEND — MAY 3 and MAY 4

Mark your calendars to join us for Missions Weekend on **Saturday, May 3rd, and Sunday, May 4th**. This year, we'll focus on the Western Church Planting Network (WCPN) with speakers from WCPN, Waypoint Church, Colorado Springs, and a new WCPN resident planting a Spanish-speaking church in Denver. On **Saturday from 9am to 11:45am**, you will hear about their church planting efforts, future goals, challenges, and opportunities followed by a catered lunch from Qdoba. Childcare will be provided. On Sunday, we'll enjoy preaching from Pastor Steve Stanton with Waypoint Church, followed by a Spring Potluck after the service.

NO DISCIPLESHIP CLASSES MISSION WEEKEND, MAY 4

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP EVENT — SUNDAY, MAY 18, AFTER SERVICE

Join us **Sunday, May 18**, immediately after worship service for a catered lunch and fellowship for the adult women of RMPC. Please sign up in the back of the sanctuary or online to help us plan for this event. We will gather at the church (basement or sanctuary depending on headcount). If you have questions, please email admin@rmpca.org.

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OUTREACH PRAYER FOCUS — **Center for Church Planting -**Centro Para La Plantación De Iglesias (CPI)

CPI, working with other partners, reached their goal of planting 10 new church plants in 10 cities by 2024. Their new goal is to establish 10 church networks in Northern Mexico by 2030! Please pray for CPI and their church plants:

- The La Paz church plant and Pastor Benjamin: a larger meeting space and advancement of this ministry.
- CPI's church plant in Chihuahua: They have now launched their church plant to the public and have found a facility to meet their needs. Pray for opportunities to build and deepen relationships with both believers
- Pastor Benjamin and Family, La Paz Church Plant
- Pastor Hector Bautista at the church plant in Hermosillo, which has seen steady growth: God would provide the funding and resources they need to continue.

and that the Lord would provide them with grace in the eyes of others.

and non-believers in the city. Pray for Armando and Lady and their family for health, unity,

- The Lord will open up more opportunities for CPI to share their vision for northern Mexico church planting and perfecting the church. CPI is looking for more and more churches to partner with them.
- The Lord will give CPI greater opportunities for mercy and justice ministries in Mexico. The Gospel is the only answer to the violence, persecution, and poverty in Mexico.
- The Lord would graciously provide the resources needed by CPI and their church plants.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

General Fund -December 2024 - February 2025

Giving: \$203,107 Budget: \$170,566 Difference: \$32.541

Faith Promise Pledge (Missions and Outreach) -May 2024 - April 2025

Giving: \$53,476 Goal: \$45,788

Building in Faith Campaign -October 2022 - February 2025

Pledged: \$995,597 Giving: \$997,606 Remaining: \$0

April

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30 • Membership Class • Kids Choir Rehearsal • Erie CG 6pm • Arvada CG 5pm	31 • Youth Group 6pm • Beth's JG • Joe's JG	1 Emily's JG	2 Chris' JG	3	Women Pray 10am	5
6 • Membership Class • Choir Rehearsal • Erie CG 6pm • Arvada CG 5pm	7 • Youth Group 6pm • Beth's JG • Joe's JG	8 • Emily's JG • Women's CG 5:30pm	Other of the second of the se	10 Broomfield CG 6pm	11 Women Pray 10am	12 Denver Rescue Mission 6am-7:17am 11am-12:15pm
13 Palm Sunday Adult Choir Rehearsal Erie CG 6pm Westie S CG 5pm Arvada CG 5pm	14 • NO Youth Group • Beth's JG • Joe's JG	15 Emily's JG	16 Chris' JG	17 Carbon Valley CG 6:45pm	18 • Women Pray 10am • Good Friday 7pm	19
20 • Easter Brunch • No Discipleship Class	21 • Youth Group 6pm • Beth's JG • Joe's JG	• Emily's JG • Women's CG 5:30pm	23 Chris' JG Bradburn CG Noon	24 Broomfield CG 6pm	25 Women Pray 10am	26
27 • Erie CG 6pm • Westie S CG 5pm • Arvada CG 5pm	28 • Youth Group 6pm • Beth's JG • Joe's JG	29 Emily's JG	30 • Chris' JG • Bradburn CG Noon	CG = Community Group JG = Journey Group Interested in CG or JG? Contact admin@rmpca.org For a full list of RMPC ministries, refer to rmpca.org, information table in sanctuary, or Church Center app.		

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