*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Almighty and merciful God, from whom comes all that we have, we praise you. For your goodness that has created us. For your grace that has sustained us. For your patience that has borne with us. For your love that has redeemed us. We dedicate these offerings that they might serve your kingdom here on earth. Help us to love you and to be thankful for all your gifts by serving you and delighting to your will. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

Rev. Janie McElwee-Smith & Rev. Bill Schlesinger

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Gracious and eternal God... [minister continues]

... who forever sing to the glory of your name:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

You are holy, O God of majesty... [minister continues]

THE LORD'S PRAYER

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

This evening we will be taking Communion by intinction. When it is your turn to come forward, you will be handed a piece of bread and are invited to dip it into the cup on either side before returning to your seat.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

As we have gathered at this welcome table, send us out into the world to do justice, to show mercy, and to walk humbly with you. Give us strength to serve you faithfully until the promised day of resurrection, when with the redeemed of all the ages we will feast with you at your table in glory. Amen.

*HYMN

Here I Am, Lord | No. 69

Rev. Janie McElwee-Smith

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

Remember you are a child of God:

And God loves God's children!

INSTALLATION COMMISSION

Elder Martha Bumpas, First Marfa Elder Connie Chapman, Grace El Paso Rev. Tim Davenport-Herbst, St. Paul San Angelo Rev. Kim Jackson, University El Paso Elder Lily Murillo-Puga, Divine Savior Elder Bill Rose, Grace El Paso Rev. Bill Schlesinger, Faith El Paso

Rev. Tripp Brogdon, Guest, St. Andrew Decatur, Alabama

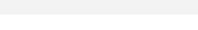
Brittney Williams, Music Director Pat Provencio, Pianist and Grace Choir

THANK YOU!

Pastor Nominating Committee

for helping with today's service!

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PRESBYTERY OF TRES RIOS

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WELCOME Elder Connie Chapman

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Elder Lily Murillo-Puga

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

And also with you.

As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ,

there is one body and one Spirit, just as we were called to the one hope of our calling.

*GATHERING PRAYER

Almighty and eternal God, by your grace you have called us to this time and place to be your servant people as we follow our servant Lord. Make your Holy Spirit move within and among us, that together we may live a new life in the crucified and risen Christ. Bind us together in faith, so that as we receive all gifts needed to fulfill our calling, we may support one another in one common ministry; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Gather Us In | No. 401

CALL TO CONFESSION

Elder Martha Bumpas

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful and loving God, you have called us to be your people and claimed us for the service of Jesus Christ. We confess that we have not lived up to our calling. We do not proclaim your good news in word and deed in every moment. We are quick to speak when we ought to listen. We remain silent when we should speak up. We fail to trust the proddings of your Spirit.

Forgive our foolish and sinful ways, O God. Strengthen us anew to follow Christ's way in the world. By your Holy Spirit, give us the grace we need to be faithful disciples and fulfill our common calling. Amen.

POURING OF THE WATER

Because of the grace we receive in baptism, we have nothing to fear.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

By grace we have been saved through faith, and this is not our own doing; it is the gift of God.

Therefore, believe the good news of the Gospel:

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Thanks be to God!

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

And also with you.

*HYMN OF PRAISE

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me | No. 582

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Rev. Tripp Brogdon

SCRIPTURE

Esther 4:10-16, 7:1-4a

SERMON

"Put You In Your Place" | Rev. Tripp Brogdon

*HYMN Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing | No. 475

SERVICE OF INSTALLATION for REV. JANIE McELWEE-SMITH SENTENCES OF SCRIPTURE

Elder Connie Chapman

There are varieties of gifts, but it is the same Spirit who gives them.

There are different ways of serving God, but it is the same Lord who is served.

God works through each person in a unique way, but it is God's purpose that is accomplished.

To each is given a gift of the Spirit to be used for the common good.

Together we are the body of Christ, and individually members of it.

STATEMENT ON INSTALLATION

*PROFESSION OF FAITH

As God calls some to particular forms of ministry, God calls us all to bear gladly the yoke of Christ given in the covenant of baptism. Let us, therefore, reaffirm our baptismal vows, renouncing all that opposes God and God's rule and affirming the faith of the holy catholic church.

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.

Will you be Christ's faithful disciple, obeying his word and showing his love?

I will, with God's help.

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

I believe in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. Do you believe in God the Holy Ghost?

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

CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS

PRAYER OF INSTALLATION & LAYING ON OF HANDS

DECLARATION OF INSTALLATION

CHARGE TO THE NEWLY INSTALLED

Elder Bill Rose

PRESENTATION OF SYMBOLS OF MINISTRY

Pastor Nominating Committee

CHARGE TO THE CONGREGATION

Rev. Tim Davenport-Herbst Rev. Kim Jackson

Remember the words of our Lord Jesus: it is more blessed to give than to receive. Let us return to God the offerings of our life and the gifts of the earth.

OFFERING

CALL TO GIVE

The Offering today will benefit the Presbytery of Tres Rios Discretionary Fund, which is used to assist members of presbytery with emergency needs.

OFFERTORY

I Believe (by M. Miller) | Grace Choir

*DOXOLOGY Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow | Lasst Uns Erfreuen