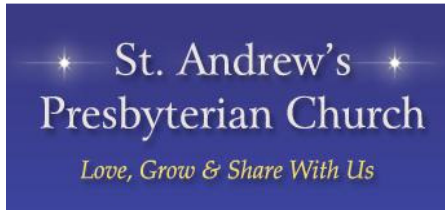


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**ORDER OF WORSHIP
November 17, 2013**



**indicates a time to stand if you are able*

PRELUDE

Trevor Welch

GREETING

Dr. Brett Becker

PASTOR: Come, worship the Lord with me!

PEOPLE: **And let us exalt God's name together!**

*** PASSING OF CHRIST'S PEACE**

ONE: The peace of Christ be with you!

OTHER: **And also with you!**

*** SONG OF PREPARATION** "Sanctuary" (2x) *Renew!, #185*

*** INVOCATION AND CALL TO WORSHIP** *responsive* Psalm 63 *Sandy Thoits*

ONE: O God, you are my God. I seek you.

MANY: **My soul thirsts for you, my flesh faints for you, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.**

ONE: So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary, beholding your power and glory.

MANY: **Because your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise you.**

ONE: I will bless you as long as I live. I will lift up my hands and call on your name.

ALL: **Your right hand upholds me, and my soul will cling to you, for you have been my help. In the shadow of your wings, I will worship you and sing for joy today!**

*** HYMN OF PRAISE** "Praise Ye the Lord the Almighty" *Hymnal, #482*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *unison*

ONE: Loving Lord, we come to church, we read the Bible, we go to Sunday school.

MANY: **But the old, old story has lost its newness. It has become rote for us.**

ONE: What should be new seems stale; what might transform us fails to excite us.

MANY: **We neglect to enter into the story's beauty. We do not engage it with our imaginations.**

ONE: We are slow to invest it with our energy. We do not allow it to change us.

MANY: **Forgive us, dear God! You have given us a gift; help us to open it! You have provided us with a blessing; enable us to recognize it. What an investment you have made in our ordinary lives! Allow us to appreciate it and make the most of it!**

ONE: Empower us to express praise in our worship! Help us to find peace in our prayers. Strengthen us to be your witnesses in the world!

ALL: **Touch us with your Spirit this morning! Come alongside us today in unmistakable, powerful ways. Help us to imagine your grace and love anew, as we give to you our heartfelt praise and thanks, through Jesus Christ our faithful Savior. Amen.**

SILENT AND PERSONAL PRAYER

SUNG PRAYER OF INTROSPECTION

"Search Me, O God"

on screens

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS *responsive*

ONE: God is kind and forgiving toward all who repent and turn from their wrongs.

MANY: By God's love, through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, we are made new creatures, offering God our praise and prayer!

ONE: We are forgiven!

ALL: Help us, O God, to live out our lives believing it! Amen.

MOMENT FOR MISSION "Weekend of Caring"

Linda Sorensen

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING 1 John 2: 27– 3: 1a

ONE: The Word of the Lord.

MANY: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM "Children of the Heavenly Father"

*St. Andrew's Choir,
Dauri Kennedy, directing*

Julie Sommers

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Romans 12: 1–8

ONE: The Word of the Lord.

MANY: Thanks be to God.

AN INTERPRETATION OF THE WORD HEIDELBERG CATECHISM

Dr. Brett Becker

Question 32: "But Why Are You Called a Christian?"

* **SONG OF RESPONSE** "Let All Things Now Living"

Hymnal, #554

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

CELEBRATE THE GIFT

Sandy Thoits

OFFERING AND OFFERTORY

(Please include "Celebrate the Gift" cards in the offering plates this morning)

This is an intentional time of expressing our gratitude to God. Whether you have an offering this Sunday or not, take the plate, feel its touch in your hands, give thanks to God and bless all that is given this day.

* **DOXOLOGY**

Hymnal, #592

* **PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THANKSGIVING**

* **HYMN OF COMMITMENT** "I Then Shall Live"

on screens

* **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

Dr. Brett Becker

* **BENEDICTION RESPONSE** "God Be With You Till We Meet Again"

* **POSTLUDE**

Trevor Welch

PARTICIPANTS IN THIS MORNING'S SERVICE: Greeter: Dayle Rinker; Liturgist: Sandy Thoits; Children's Sermon: Julie Sommers



PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

This week I will pray for:

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANDREW'S

<p>17 9:30a Worship 9:45a Church School 10:30a Coffee Fellowship 11a Children's Ministry Team 2-5p Ministerios Llamada Final 6p PYF</p>	<p>18 12:20p Spirits in Action Bible Study 7p AA Grateful Group</p>	<p>19 6:45a Men's Bible Study 6p Session Dinner 7p Session 7p SBMC</p>	<p>20 6:30p Ministerios Llamada Final 7p AA Success 7:15p Choir</p>	<p>21 6p Centering Prayer 6:30p Sarah Circle</p>	<p>22 7p Ministerios Llamada Final</p>	<p>23 1p Watercolor Painting 6:30p Ministerios Llamada Final</p>
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

GUESTS Please stop by our Welcome Table this morning for a free coffee mug and information about St. Andrew's mission and programs. *Please fill out the blue Welcome Card from the pew rack and place it in the offering plate as it comes by today.*

PYF TODAY at the church 6-8p.m. Next week, Sunday, November 24, youth are leading worship, Advent Craft Workshop and Potluck Dinner 4p.m.

CENTERING PRAYER will meet every Thursday, 6p.m. in the Sanctuary.

REMEMBER TO BRING FOOD FOR THE FOODBANK. A collection basket is in the Narthex.

ST. ANDREW'S 54th BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION, Sunday, November 24 at coffee hour, followed at 11:15a.m. by a **CONGREGATIONAL INFORMATIONAL MEETING** in the Sanctuary about the property sale. Jeff Nelson and Jason Nelson from The Oak Creek Company will be present along with the PET to provide information and answer questions.

ADVENT CRAFT WORKSHOP AND POTLUCK DINNER, Sunday, November 24, 4-7p.m. in Morgan Hall. Suggested donation for the crafts is \$5. Please bring your own table place settings and a potluck dish to share. Sign up with Bev Ford during Coffee Fellowship Time.

THE DEADLINE FOR THE DECEMBER LIGHTHOUSE IS SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24.

ST. ANDREW'S ADVENT WEEKEND OF CARING. December 7 - 8. Save the dates. Special opportunities for reaching out and helping our local community and world mission. Sign up during Coffee Fellowship time.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S CHRISTMAS TEA will be held on Sunday, December 8, 2p.m. in Morgan Hall. Sign up with Bev Ford during Coffee Fellowship Time to come as a guest or a hostess.

ALTERNATIVE GIFT FAIRE will be held on Sunday, December 8 and 15. Purchase gifts in honor or memory of someone from Church World Services, the Foodbank, Transition House, and Unite-to-Light solar lights, for Seeway Tanzania orphanage. **THE ANGEL TREE** will be in Morgan Hall starting Sunday, November 24. Select an angel, buy the gift listed, and return the gift unwrapped to St. Andrew's and the gift will be delivered to the Christmas Unity Shoppe.

OFFERINGS OF PRAYER

Joys and Concerns from last Sunday's Worship Service

Please note – On Sundays, joys and concerns may be written down on the forms provided in the sanctuary lobby. They will be displayed on the screens during the prayer time. Prayers may also be submitted by email to standrewsprayers@gmail.com by 7:00p.m. each Saturday. Please indicate in your email whether we can share your joys and concerns with the congregation by email and on the church website.

Concerns

<u>From</u>	<u>For</u>	<u>Concern</u>
<i>Rachel Tobler</i>	<i>Father, Bob Mendenhall</i>	<i>Waiting heart diagnosis</i>
<i>Nancy McKenzie</i>	<i>Veterans & Military</i>	

Joys

<u>From</u>	<u>For</u>	<u>Joy</u>
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Ongoing Prayer Requests

Those who have been ill or injured:

Betty Brooks, Dorothy Naegle, Carole Wallace

Please let us know of changes we should make in the Prayer List.

Those who grieve:

Family and friends of Muriel Krebs. A memorial service is being planned for January 11th.

Those in convalescent care:

Goleta Cottage: Liz McNeil

Mission Terrace: Patricia Collins

Samarkand Health Care Center: George Hitchens

Santa Barbara Convalescent – David Benson

Vista Del Monte Health Center: Margaret Blake and Barbara Hagen

Presbytery Prayer Concern:

Congregation and staff at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church of Santa Barbara,
Pastor Brett Becker, Parish Associates Ed Aspinwall and Harold Englund