

ORDER OF WORSHIP
Christmas Day
A Service of Lessons and Carols
December 25, 2011



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

- * **HYMN OF WELCOME** "O Come, All Ye Faithful" Hymnal, #41
- * **OPENING SENTENCES** *responsive* Psalm 96
- ONE: Sing to the Lord a new song;
- MANY: Sing to the Lord, all the earth!**
- ONE: Sing to the Lord and bless God's name;
- MANY: Tell the good news of salvation from day to day.**
- ONE: Declare God's glory among the nations, God's marvelous works among all the peoples.
- MANY: For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised.**
- ONE: Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice.
- MANY: Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; the world, and those who live in it.**
- ONE: Let the whole creation sing for joy at the presence of God, who is coming.
- MANY: God is coming indeed, to judge the earth with righteousness, and the peoples with equity and truth. Praise the Lord!**
- ONE: The peace of Christ be with you.
- OTHER: And also with you.**
- * **HYMN** "Once in Royal David's City" Hymnal, #49
- FIRST LESSON** Genesis 3: 8-15, 17-19
*Adam and Eve disobey God's command
and disrupt the order and goodness of creation*
- CAROL** "O Little Town of Bethlehem" Hymnal, #44
- SECOND LESSON** Genesis 22:15-18
*God promises that, through Abraham,
all the peoples of the world will be blessed*
- CAROL** "O Come, O Come Emmanuel" Hymnal, #9
- THIRD LESSON** Isaiah 9:2, 6-7
*The people who walk in darkness
receive the promise of the Messiah*
- CAROL** "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" Hymnal, #38

FOURTH LESSON

Isaiah 11:1-4a, 6-9
*The Messiah will come from the root of Jesse
to restore the peace of creation*

CAROL "Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming" Hymnal, #48

FIFTH LESSON

Luke 1:26-35, 38
*An angel appears to Mary and announces
that she will bear a holy child*

CAROL "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing" Hymnal, #31

SIXTH LESSON

Luke 2:1-7
*Joseph and Mary travel to Bethlehem,
where Mary gives birth to her child*

CAROL "Away in a Manger" Hymnal, #25

SEVENTH LESSON

Luke 2:8-16
*Angels appear to shepherds in the fields
and announce the birth of the Messiah*

CAROL "Angels We Have Heard on High" Hymnal, #31

EIGHTH LESSON

Matthew 2:1-11
*Magi from the East come seeking the Messiah
and offer gifts to the baby Jesus*

CAROL "We Three Kings of Orient Are" Hymnal, #66

NINTH LESSON

John 1:1-14
*The Word of God becomes flesh
and lives among us, full of grace and truth*

CAROL "Silent Night, Holy Night" Hymnal, #60

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING AND OFFERTORY

*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, #591

* **PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THANKSGIVING**

* **CLOSING HYMN** "Joy to the World!" Hymnal, #40

* **BENEDICTION**

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

* **POSTLUDE**

PARTICIPANTS IN THIS MORNING'S SERVICE: Greeter: Penny Sidoli; Liturgists: Linda Sizer, Charles Spencer and William Spencer; Preaching today: Rev. Suzanne Malloy



PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

This week I will pray for:

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANDREW'S

<p>25 9:30a Worship 10:30a Coffee Fellowship</p>	<p>26 Church Office closed NO Centering Prayer 8p AA Grateful Group</p>	<p>27 11a Memorial Service for Louise Stone</p>	<p>28 6:45a Men's Bible Study-Cody's 6:30p Ministerios Llama Final 7p Choir 8p AA Success</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31 6:30p Ministerios Llama 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.*

DEADLINE FOR THE JANUARY LIGHTHOUSE IS TODAY.

CENTERING PRAYER WILL NOT MEET on Monday, December 26. The next Centering Prayer will be on Monday, January 2 at 6:30p.m.

A MEMORIAL SERVICE for Louise Stone will be held at St. Andrew's on Tuesday, December 27, 11:00a.m.

ANNUAL REPORTS ARE DUE TUESDAY, JANUARY 3RD.

PRAYER PARTNERS is a new opportunity for adults in our church family to be a prayer partner and to make a difference in the life and faith of a teenage youth. Prayer partners pray for each other, greet and encourage each other, grow in friendship and attend occasional prayer partner church events. The Youth Ministries Team is hoping that every 7th through 12th grader will have a prayer partner. Flyers with sign up forms are available in the narthex and church office, or contact Sandy Thoits.

PRAYER PARTNER MEET "N" GREET, January 8, 8:30AM before worship, in Morgan Hall, a first gathering of adult and youth prayer partners. Refreshments provided.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION, Sunday, January 22, following worship.

THE 2012 SANTA BARBARA MISSION CONFERENCE at First Presbyterian Church, "Living the Word in Today's World." Friday, January 20th - 5:30-7p.m. registration and reception, 7-8p.m. conference. Saturday, January 21, 8:15a.m. -4p.m. conference. Register online at: www.sbmissionconference.org
Pre-registration fee: \$25. \$40 at the door.

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 7:00 pm 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>
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Joys

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

Those who have been ill or injured: Rick Lee

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

Those in convalescent care:

Abiding Care: William Ray; Abundant Care II: Leora Phillips; Cliff View Terrace: Aaron Case;
Goleta Cottage: Liz McNeil; Mission Terrace: Aaron Case and Eleanor Vos;
Samarkand Health Center: Jane Hewitt; Vista Del Monte Health Center: Margaret Blake

Presbytery Prayer Concern:

Congregation and staff at Cottonwood Community Church of Los Alamos, Pastor Warren Einolander and retired minister Fred Morgan