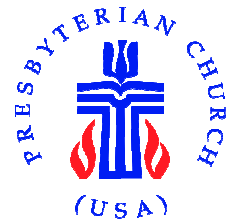




ORDER OF WORSHIP

First Sunday after Christmas

December 27, 2015



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

PRELUDE

Dr. Christopher Davis

GREETING *responsive*

Rev. Suzanne Malloy

PASTOR: The light shines in the darkness,

PEOPLE: **and the darkness does not overcome the light.**

PASTOR: Christ is born in Bethlehem.

PEOPLE: **O Come, let us adore him!**

* SONG OF GATHERING "O Come, All Ye Faithful"

Hymnal, #41

* PASSING OF CHRIST'S PEACE

ONE: The peace of Christ be with you.

OTHER: **And also with you.**

* CALL TO WORSHIP *responsive*

Megan Zink

ONE: From heaven above to earth he came, to bring good news to all.

MANY: **He brought glad tidings of great joy to *all* the world.**

ONE: We speak of the Christ, God's son most high, who hears our songs of suffering.

MANY: **Glory to God in highest heaven, and on earth, peace on earth.**

ONE: For Christ is born in our hearts.

ALL: **Come, let us adore him. Amen.**

* HYMN OF ADVENT "Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming"

Hymnal, #48

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *unison*

Almighty God, we confess that our hearts have not been open to all that you have revealed to us in the Nativity of your Son. You sent Christ to be born as a helpless child, and yet we fail to attend to the suffering of children. You chose humble Mary and consenting Joseph to be mother and adoptive father of our Lord Jesus, and yet we remain ignorant to the struggles of women and adoptive parents. The holy family could find no room in Bethlehem but a stable, and yet we remain irritated by the cry of the homeless. You announced your birth to lowly shepherds, yet we ignore those who tend our farms and fields. Forgive our lack of attention, and free us for joyful compassion, that we may know Christ in serving others. Through Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

SILENT AND PERSONAL PRAYERS

SUNG PRAYER OF INTROSPECTION

"Search Me, O God"

on screens

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS *responsive*

ONE: Behold! God has given us God's own son that we might have new life! In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Alleluia!

SUNG RESPONSE "Alleluia"

on screens

A READING FROM THE PROPHETS Hosea 11:1-4

ONE: The Word of the Lord.

MANY: Thanks be to God.

SPECIAL MUSIC "Mary, Did You Know?"

Megan Zink

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Julie Sommers

SENDING SONG "Jesus Loves Me"

on screens

THE EPISTLE READING 2 Corinthians 12:9-10

ONE: The Word of the Lord.

MANY: Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL READING Matthew 2:13-23

ONE: Hear this, God's message.

MANY: We ponder these words.

AN INTERPRETATION OF THE WORD "Oh, For Christ's Sake!"

Rev. Suzanne Malloy

* **HYMN OF RESPONSE** "What Child is This"

Hymnal, #53

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, #592

* **PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THANKSGIVING**

* **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *unison* The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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.

* **SONG OF FAITH** "Once in Royal David's City"

Hymnal, #49

* **BENEDICTION**

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

on screens

* **POSTLUDE**

Dr. Christopher Davis

PARTICIPANTS IN THIS MORNING'S SERVICE: Greeters: Sara and Don Vickers;
 Liturgist: Megan Zink; Children's Sermon: Julie Sommers; Preaching today: Rev. Suzanne Malloy



PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

This week I will pray for:

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANDREW'S

<p>27 9:30a Worship 9:45a Church School 10:30a Coffee Fellowship</p> <p>2p Ministerios Llamada Final</p>	<p>28</p> <p>3p Cerebral Palsy</p> <p>7p AA Grateful Group</p>	<p>29 7a Men's Study Fellowship</p> <p>1p Parkinson's</p> <p>7p SBMC</p>	<p>30</p> <p>6:30p Ministerios Llamada Final</p> <p>7p Choir 7p AA Success</p>	<p>31</p>	<p>1 <i>Happy New Year</i></p> <p>6:30p Ministerios Llamada Final</p>	<p>2</p> <p>6:30p Ministerios Llamada Final</p>
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

IF YOU ORDERED A POINSETTIA PLANT PLEASE TAKE IT HOME TODAY.

2016 PLEDGE CARDS are still being received. Each pledge is important and appreciated. If you plan to continue giving next year, please turn in a Stewardship SAIL pledge card so that Session has an accurate 2016 total pledge amount for planning the 2016 Church Budget. Place the card in the offering plate or send it to the church office. Extra pledge cards are available on the table in the narthex and in the church office. Thank you for your gifts in Christ for ministry and mission.

GUESTS Please stop by our Welcome Table this morning for 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.*

NO PYF TODAY and SUNDAY, JANUARY 3. PYF Sunday, January 10, Winter Kick-Off at the church with parent meeting and potluck dinner.

TODAY IS THE DEADLINE FOR THE JANUARY NEWSLETTER.

ADULT ED. CLASS "FIRST LIGHT" Classes will continue on January 3 and 10 at 11a.m. in Morgan Hall.

ANNUAL REPORTS ARE DUE MONDAY, JANUARY 4, 2016.

14TH ANNUAL SANTA BARBARA MISSION CONFERENCE 2016 will take place Friday evening, **Jan. 22**, and all day Saturday, **Jan. 23**, at First Presbyterian Church, Santa Barbara. Register by going online at sbmissionconference.org or by picking up and completing a brochure in the narthex.

MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION SUNDAY, JANUARY 31 FOLLOWING WORSHIP. Purpose: to receive annual reports of 2015, approve pastor's terms of call and 2016 budget will be presented.

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>
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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:

Bob & Carolin Allbright, David Benson, Miller Breese, Ernie & Betty Brooks, Mike Lawler, Brad Naegle, Carole Wallace, Dick Zylstra

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

Those in convalescent care:

St. John's Hospital, Camarillo: Liz McNeil

Valle Verde Health Center: Bob McWilliams

Vista Del Monte Health Center: Joan Cyr