



**ORDER OF WORSHIP**  
***Seventh Sunday of Easter***  
***Women of the Church Day***  
**May 8, 2016**



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

**PRELUDE**

*Dr. Christopher Davis*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*Dr. Brett Becker*

**GREETING**      *responsive*

**PASTOR:** Jesus said, "You must become like a child to enter the kingdom of God."

**PEOPLE:** Today we will enter God's presence with humility, love, and confidence!

**\* PASSING OF CHRIST'S PEACE**

**ONE:** The peace of Christ be with you!

**MANY:** And also with you!

**\* SONG OF PRAISE**      "You Have Been Good"

*Renew!, #25*

**\* CALL TO WORSHIP**      *responsive*      Psalm 135

*Anita Becker*

**ONE:** O give thanks, for the Lord is good!

**MANY:** God's love endures forever!

**ONE:** O give thanks to the God of gods!

**MANY:** For God's steadfast love endures forever.

**ONE:** God alone does great wonders.

**MANY:** God ordained the heavens and spread out the earth!

**ONE:** God led his people through the wilderness with blessings!

**MANY:** And God has remembered us.

**ONE:** So give thanks to the Lord of heaven!

**ALL:** For God's love endures forever.

**\* SONG OF GRATITUDE**      "Give Thanks"

*Sing the Faith, #2036*

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND HOPE**      *responsive*

**ONE:** O Majesty, O Magnificence, O Mystery, come!

**MANY:** Be earthquake and shake our indifference.

**ONE:** Be sun and splinter our shadows.

**MANY:** Be wind and scatter our despair.

**ONE:** In the dry areas of our soul

**MANY:** May your grace reign freely and fully.

**ONE:** Make us stout branches, strong in all seasons

**MANY:** Bearing good fruit, giving shade to the weary, hope to the grieving, and shelter to the lost.

**ONE:** We need you, O God!

**MANY: We confess our lack of faith and failure to trust.**

**ONE: Help us to look to you for our strength and peace.**

**ALL: Our hope is in you, O God! You are our help and deliverance! You have become our salvation.**

**SILENT AND PERSONAL PRAYERS**

**SUNG PRAYER OF INTROSPECTION** "Search Me, O God"

*on screens*

**ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS** *responsive*

**ONE: If anyone is in Christ**

**MANY: He or she is a new creation.**

**ONE: The old things have passed away.**

**MANY: Behold, all things have become new!**

**ONE: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel!**

**MANY: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!**

**ONE: Give thanks, for the Lord is good.**

**ALL: God's love is everlasting.**

**A READING FROM THE PSALMS** Psalm 34: 1-10

**ONE: The Word of the Lord.**

**MANY: Thanks be to God.**

**ANTHEM** "Assurance"

*St. Andrew's Choir; Sally Rose Bates, directing*

**TIME WITH THE CHILDREN**

*Julie Sommers*

**SENDING SONG** "Jesus Loves Me"

*on screens*

**A READING FROM THE HEBREW BIBLE** Ruth 1: 22; 2: 1-23

**ONE: The Word of the Lord.**

**MANY: Thanks be to God.**

**AN INTERPRETATION OF THE WORD** REMEMBERING RUTH

*Dr. Brett Becker*

"Why Have I Found Favor in Your Sight?"

\* **HYMN OF TRUST** "God, You Spin the Whirling Planets"

Hymnal, #285

**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**

\* **HYMN OF FAITHFUL WITNESS** "Though I May Speak"

Hymnal, #335

\* **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

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

\* **POSTLUDE**

*Dr. Christopher Davis*

**PARTICIPANTS IN THIS MORNING'S SERVICE:** Greeters: Barbara and Scott Eschbach;  
 Liturgist: Anita Becker; Children's Sermon: Julie Sommers



**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

*This week I will pray for:*

Prayer requests for the Prayer Chain please email  
 Lydia Swanson at [lydiaswanson@hotmail.com](mailto:lydiaswanson@hotmail.com)

**THIS WEEK AT ST. ANDREW'S**

<p><b>8</b> 9:30a Worship                  9:45a Church School                  10:30a Coffee Fellowship</p> <p>2p Ministerios                  Llamada Final</p>	<p><b>9</b></p> <p>3p Cerebral Palsy</p> <p>7p AA</p>	<p><b>10</b>                  7a Men's Fellowship Group                  9:15a Naomi Circle</p> <p>1p Parkinson's</p> <p>7p SBMC</p>	<p><b>11</b></p> <p>6:30p Ministerios                  Llamada Final</p> <p>7p Choir                  7p AA</p>	<p><b>12</b></p> <p>1p Parkinson's</p> <p>3:30p Nominating Team</p> <p>7p Finance Committee</p>	<p><b>13</b></p> <p>6:30p Ministerios                  Llamada Final</p>	<p><b>14</b>                  10a Novel Book Group                  11a H.O.Team</p> <p>1p Watercolor Painting</p> <p>6p PYF Lock-In</p> <p>6:30p Ministerios                  Llamada Final</p>
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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**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**, Mother's Day. PYF Saturday, May 14, 6p.m. through Sunday, May 15 Lock-In at the Church.

**PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN SPRING GATHERING 2016, Saturday, May 14, 9:30a-2:30p.m.** at the Nipomo Community Presbyterian Church. Register by April 30 by emailing: [klmienhouse@yahoo.com](mailto:klmienhouse@yahoo.com) Registration fee is \$15. Brochures are available in the narthex.

**ADULT EDUCATION CLASS** will continue Sunday, May 15, *The Jesus Fatwah: Love Your (Muslim) Neighbor as Yourself*. Classes will continue on May 22, 29 and June 5.

**MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION**, Sunday, May 22, 10:30a.m. following worship to elect church officers.

**PENTECOST SUNDAY, MAY 15.** The Pentecost Offering will benefit children at risk and also helps the church encourage, develop, and support its young people. The congregation is encouraged to wear red to celebrate the life of the Spirit in our midst!

**"TRIADS" AT ST. ANDREW'S.** Sign up now be part of small group Triad of three women or three men joining together for fellowship, friendship and growing in faith. This is a great opportunity to get to know new people. Triads usually meet regularly for Bible study and fellowship, flexible to their own schedules. To sign up to start your own Triad or join another, contact Sandy Thoits at [standrewsclerk@gmail.com](mailto:standrewsclerk@gmail.com) or call the church office.

**PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE** is responding to the earthquake crisis in both Ecuador and Japan. Designate gifts to DR999999-Disaster Relief-International Disasters and Emergencies. Gifts can be made [online](#), by calling (800) 872-3283, or by mailing a check to Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), PO Box 643700, Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3700. You can also text PDA to 20222 to donate \$25.

**HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE GRADUATES** will be honored at St. Andrew's on Sunday, June 5. Please let us know the name of your high school or college and what you plan to do next year. Email 6 photos to Dana Monk @ [danajomonk@gmail.com](mailto:danajomonk@gmail.com) by May 27.

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