



ORDER OF WORSHIP

January 22, 2017



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

PRELUDE

Dr. Christopher Davis

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Brett Becker

GREETING

PASTOR: Rejoice in the Lord always! I will say it again: rejoice!

PEOPLE: This is the day that the Lord has made! We will rejoice and be glad in it!

*** PASSING OF CHRIST'S PEACE**

ONE: The peace of Christ be with you.

OTHER: And also with you.

*** SONG OF CONFIDENCE** "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

Hymnal, #403

*** CALL TO WORSHIP** *responsive*

David Sommers

ONE: O God, from whom every gift is given, we will worship you today!

MANY: You are awesome, O Lord, greater than our comprehension,
beyond our imagination!

ONE: Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!"

MANY: We have come to you in thanksgiving and praise!

ONE: We place our lives anew into your hands this day!

MANY: Enlarge our vision through your word. Instill hope where despair reigns,
peace where hatred threatens, joy amidst depression, and may your love
overwhelm our apathy.

ALL: Transform our lives, O God!

*** SONG OF ASSURANCE**

"The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want"

on screens

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER OF CONFESSION *unison*

Loving Lord, when we feel the Spirit moving in our hearts, we remember your presence. We admit that sometimes we are distracted and overwhelmed by work, worries, and world events beyond our control. We forget that you are ever watchful and guiding. Faithful Christ, enduring Spirit, guide us today! Forgive our sins and open us to your powerful influence. Enable us to travel in faith with you, step by step, moment by moment, until we are able to discern your leading and witness to your love in a world that is desperately in need of grace. In the power and strength of Jesus we pray. Amen.

SILENT AND PERSONAL CONFESSION

SUNG PRAYER OF INTROSPECTION

"Search Me, O God"

on screens

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE *responsive*

ONE: The amazing and joyful news is that in spite of our inadequacies and failures,
God continues to love and forgive us!

MANY: We rejoice that God rescues us and makes us whole!

ONE: Indeed, if we are able to nurture our children and give good gifts to them

**MANY: How much more will God nurture his creation and give good gifts to
those who ask God!**

ONE: Gifts of faith.

MANY: Gifts of hope.

ONE: Gifts of joy.

MANY: Gifts of love.

ONE: Gifts of forgiveness. Friends, believe the good news of the gospel!

MANY: In Jesus Christ, we are cleansed and made complete!

ONE: Give thanks for the Lord is good!

ALL: God's love endures forever!

HYMN OF PROMISE & FORGIVENESS "If My People Will Pray" *on screens*

A READING FROM THE HEBREW BIBLE II Chronicles 7: 12-15

LEADER: The Word of the Lord.

MANY: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM "O, Lord Hear My Voice" *St. Andrew's Choir, Evan Schindler, directing*

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN *Julie Sommers*

THE SENDING SONG "Jesus Loves Me" *Hymnal, #304*

THE GOSPEL READING Luke 18: 1-8

LEADER: The Word of the Lord.

MANY: Thanks be to God.

AN INTERPRETATION OF THE WORD PARABLES OF JESUS *Dr. Brett Becker*

"If My People Will Pray"

* **HYMN OF FAITH** "I Need Thee Every Hour" *on screens*

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 & THANKSGIVING**

* **HYMN OF STRENGTH** "Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun" *Hymnal, #423*

* **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

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

* **POSTLUDE**

Dr. Christopher Davis

PARTICIPANTS IN THIS MORNING'S SERVICE: Greeters: Marie Sue and Bob Parsons;
 Liturgist: David Sommers; 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: lydiaswanson@hotmail.com*

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANDREW'S

<p>22</p> <p>9:30am Worship 10:30am Coffee Fellowship 11am Adult Ed</p> <p>12:30 - 2:30pm PYF Ice Skating</p>	<p>23</p> <p>3pm Cerebral Palsy</p> <p>7pm AA Grateful Group</p>	<p>24</p> <p>7am Men's Fellowship Group</p> <p>1pm Parkinson's</p> <p>6:30pm SBMC</p>	<p>25</p> <p>6:30pm Ministerios Llamada Final</p> <p>7pm AA Success 7pm Choir</p>	<p>26</p> <p>9am Lydia Circle at Cody's</p> <p>1pm Parkinson's</p> <p>7pm CBT</p>	<p>27</p> <p>11am Memorial service for Jane Criswell</p> <p>6:30pm Ministerios Llamada Final</p>	<p>28</p> <p>8:30am - 12:30pm Russian Language School</p> <p>1pm Watercolor painting</p> <p>6:30pm 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.

ADULT ED CLASS today, Sunday, January 22nd, and will continue on February 5th at 11a.m. in Morgan Hall. This series is entitled "*Uppity Women of the Bible*" and is a 4-volume DVD-based series from Living the Questions featuring Hebrew Bible professor Dr. Lisa Wolfe.

MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR JANE CRISWELL. Friday, January 27th, 11:00am. Reception following at the home of Edie & Roger Wells, 993 Crown Ave, Goleta.

RUSSIAN LANGUAGE SCHOOL. This Saturday, January 28th. Some dates for Chaperones are still open. Please sign up in the lobby after service.

PYF ICE SKATING on Sunday, January 29th. Meet at Costco food court at 12:30pm for lunch and we will walk over to Ice in Paradise for skating from 1:30pm - 2:3pm. Bring \$12.50 and tall socks.

DINNER FOR 6. Saturday, February 11th, at 6:00pm. Valentine's Day theme. Sign-ups after coffee hour.

SAIL TEAM LOVE OUR NEIGHBORS CANVASSING w/ pizza lunch on Sunday, February 12th, 11:00am.

2017 PLEDGE ENVELOPES are available for pick up this morning.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION: Sunday, January 29, 2017 at 10:30a.m. in the Sanctuary. Purposes: annual reports received, 2017 budget presented, approval of Pastor's Terms of Call.

REGISTRATION FOR THE 2017 SANTA BARBARA MISSION CONFERENCE IS STILL OPEN. The conference will take place this Friday evening at 7:00pm, January 27th and all day Saturday, January 28th, from 8:45am - 4:30pm at First Presbyterian Church. Register by going online at sbmissionconference.org or by picking up and completing a brochure in the narthex.