



ORDER OF WORSHIP

Third Sunday in Lent

March 19, 2017



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

PRELUDE

Evan Schindler

GREETING *responsive*

Dr. Brett Becker

PASTOR: This is the day that the Lord has made!

PEOPLE: **We will rejoice and be glad in it!**

* PASSING OF CHRIST'S PEACE

ONE: The peace of Christ be with you!

MANY: **And also with you!**

* SONG OF GATHERING "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

Hymnal, #464

* CALL TO WORSHIP *responsive* Paraphrase of Psalm 98

Marie Sue Parsons

ONE: Let the earth cry out with joy to our God!

Let the people break out in songs of praise and dance together with joy!

MANY: **Let us make sweet melodies ring out with musical instruments!**

Let us make a joyful noise before our God with sounds and shouts of praise!

ONE: Let the waves of the sea roar their adoration!

Let the creatures of the ocean give glory to God!

MANY: **Let the rivers clap and sing with jubilation!**

Let the mountains lift up their heads with exaltation!

ONE: For God is coming, coming to judge the earth!

ALL: **God will judge the world with mercy and justice, and treat all people with fairness!**

* SONG OF THANKSGIVING "Let All Things Now Living"

Hymnal, #469

(Glory to God, #37)

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION *unison*

God, you have created all things. For that we are grateful! You have made the flowing rivers and the lofty mountains, the giant redwoods and the intricate flowers. You have made us in your image to praise you, to love you, and to enjoy you forever! Yet we confess that we fall short of your designs for us and for the world. Rather than encourage one another, we judge, even though we know that only you can be the real judge of any human being.

Help us, O God, to learn the art of compassion and the beauty of forgiveness. Teach us how to glorify you and to be generous and accommodating toward others, so that we might become the creations that you envisioned at the beginning of time. Help us today to be your people. Amen.

SILENT AND PERSONAL CONFESSION

SUNG PRAYER OF INTROSPECTION "Search Me, O God"

on screens

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS *responsive*

ONE: Who is in a position of judgment?

MANY: Only Christ. Yet Christ rose for us.

ONE: Christ lives in us.

MANY: Christ empowers us.

ONE: Christ prays for us. Friends, believe the good news of the gospel!

MANY: In Jesus Christ we are made whole!

ONE: Give praise to God!

ALL: Hallelujah! Amen.

MINISTRY FOCUS St. Andrew's Preschool

Cindy Oliver, Preschool Director

A READING FROM THE HEBREW PROPHETS

Isaiah 55: 1-13

ONE: The Word of the Lord.

MANY: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

"Seek and You Will Find"

St. Andrew's Choir;

Evan Schindler, directing

Julie Sommers

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

THE GOSPEL READING

Matthew 21: 23-32

ONE: The Word of the Lord.

MANY: Thanks be to God.

AN INTERPRETATION OF THE WORD

"Tax Collectors and Prostitutes!"

Dr. Brett Becker

* **HYMN OF IDENTITY**

"I Then Shall Live"

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, #591

* **PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THANKSGIVING**

* **SONG OF CONVICTION**

"In Christ There Is No East or West"

Hymnal, #439

* **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

* **BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

"God Be With You Till We Meet Again"

* **POSTLUDE**

Evan Schindler

PARTICIPANTS IN THIS MORNING'S SERVICE: Greeters: Bev Ford; Liturgist: Marie Sue Parsons; 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

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANDREW'S

<p>19</p> <p>9:30am Worship 10:30am Coffee Fellowship 11am Adult Ed.</p> <p>6pm PYF "Battle of the Sexes" games and dinner (Morgan Hall)</p>	<p>20</p> <p>3pm Cerebral Palsy</p> <p>7pm AA Grateful</p>	<p>21</p> <p>7am Men's Fellowship Group</p> <p>1pm Parkinson's</p> <p>6pm Session 7pm Master Chorale</p>	<p>22</p> <p>6:30pm Ministerios Llamada Final</p> <p>7pm Choir 7pm AA Success</p>	<p>23</p> <p>1pm Parkinson's</p>	<p>24</p> <p>6:30pm Ministerios Llamada Final</p>	<p>25</p> <p>NO Russian School 9:30am Tabitha Circle</p> <p>1pm Watercolor class</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.

PYF tonight at 6:00pm. Join us for dinner and various games to decide who will win the "Battle of the Sexes" between the guys and the gals! No PYF on March 26th and April 2nd due to spring break.

NO RUSSIAN LANGUAGE SCHOOL this Saturday, 3/25, and the following Saturday, 4/1, due to Spring Break. Future dates for Chaperones are still open. Please sign up after service or contact Linda Sorensen.

PER CAPITA APPORTIONMENT. For 2017, per capita is **\$10.35** per member to support the efforts of the PC(USA) and the Synod of Southern California and Hawaii. Use your blue "Per Capita" pledge envelope. Please make your check payable to St. Andrew's and mark it "per capita."

ADULT ED CLASS, "Living the Questions 2.0", continues today at 11:00am in the Window Room of Morgan Hall, with this Sunday's lesson titled "Lives of Jesus". Each lesson is complete in itself so don't worry if you missed the first few. If you need a copy of the class Syllabus, contact Tom Weisenburger (yznbrgrt@cox.net). This series continues weekly until April 2nd.

TRANSITION HOUSE OPPORTUNITY. Experience the joy of serving dinner to grateful residents with St. Andrew's friends. Third Friday of every month at 6:30pm. Sign up today after worship. Next date is April 21st (March is covered). Instructions, menu and recipes provided.

HELP THE ISLAMIC SOCIETY'S efforts to rebuild the SB Mosque, which sustained damage in a fire. To make a donation, go to: www.launchgood.com/project/rebuild_the_santa_barbara_mosque#/

MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR ED ASPINWALL on Sunday, June 11th, at 11:30am, following service at St. Andrew's. Ed, a one-time Parish Associate and the Founding Pastor of Goleta Presbyterian Church, died on Tuesday morning, February 21st.

MISSING DVD from the library - Nick Vujicic DVD. Please return to basket in library. Thank you.