



ORDER OF WORSHIP
26TH Sunday after Pentecost
November 18, 2018



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

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS TOGETHER

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION

Dr. Christopher Davis, pianist

MUSIC TO ENGAGE

Sonata in F major: Allegro (by Marcello)

Adriane Hill, flutist

WELCOME & NEWS OF THE COMMUNITY

Rev. Suzanne Malloy

*** WE EXCHANGE CHRIST'S PEACE**

ONE: The peace of Christ be with you.

OTHER: And also with you.

THE COMMUNITY CONFESSES TOGETHER

*** WE CALL THE COMMUNITY TO WORSHIP** *(from Psalm 92)*

Rev. Janet Ewart

LEADER: Come, let us sing to God!

PEOPLE: Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.

LEADER: Let us come into the Divine presence with thanksgiving;

PEOPLE: Let us make a joyful noise to God with songs of praise!

LEADER: It is good to give you thanks, O God;

PEOPLE: To sing praises to your name, O Most High,

LEADER: to declare your steadfast love in the morning,

PEOPLE: and your faithfulness by night.

LEADER: At the works of your hands, let us sing for joy!

*** WE SING TOGETHER**

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

Glory to God, #611

WE CONFESS TOGETHER *unison*

Watchful God, we pass many people who may not be visibly beaten down or lying by the road; some may simply be family and friends who are in need. We take so much for granted that we cannot see how we have deprived them of our love and compassion. Others are neighbors who have been left half-dead by crushing work; who have fallen into the hands of despair; who have been abandoned by all those who walked right past them. Many are people we don't know: we quickly judge them because they are weak, or poor, or the enemy, or because they remind us of who we once were, or could become. Rescue us from the power of our sins, Righteous One. Pour out your justice on us, rather than your judgement, that we would be moved with pity and spurred to action; that we would hear of the hope that is ours, and share

it with our sisters and brothers; that we would shower mercy on all we meet, even as we have received forgiveness for our sins through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Hear now our silent confessions: *(a time for silent confession)*

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S GRACE *responsive*

LEADER: Children of the Most High: you are forgiven. Be filled with spiritual wisdom, lead lives worthy of your inheritance, bear fruit in all you say and do and think.

PEOPLE: God has rescued us and redeemed us from our sins, setting aside judgment to shower us with mercy. We will go and do likewise. Thanks be to God. Amen.

SUNG RESPONSE "Sing, Praise, and Bless the Lord" Glory to God, #635
(first choir sings, then congregation)

THE COMMUNITY LISTENS AND DISCERNS TOGETHER

A READING FROM THE HEBREW BIBLE Deuteronomy 30:8-14 *Rev. Janet Ewart*
A MESSAGE TO CHILDREN OF ALL AGES *Rev Suzanne Malloy*
ANTHEM "Lullaby" (by Frank Bridge) *Adriane Hill, flutist*
A READING FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT Colossians 1:1-14 *Rev. Suzanne Malloy*
MESSAGE "Life is Worship: Acclaiming a Generous Love"

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *unison* A Brief Statement of Faith

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.

We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father. In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God's image, male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community. But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator. Ignoring God's commandments, we violate the image of God in others and ourselves, accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature, and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care. We deserve God's condemnation. Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation.

In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people to bless all families of the earth. Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel from the house of bondage. Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant. Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child, like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home, God is faithful still.

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church. In a broken and fearful world, the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!" With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

WE RESPOND IN SONG

"We Praise You, O God"

Glory to God, #612

THE COMMUNITY RESPONDS IN JOYFUL SERVICE

WE OFFER OUR PRAYERS and THE LORD'S PRAYER

WE PETITION IN SONG

"O Lord, Hear My Prayers"

Glory to God, #471

WE OFFER OUR MONETARY GIFTS

* WE OFFER OUR PRAISE

"Doxology"

Glory to God, #606

* WE ARE BLESSED

* WE BLESS ONE ANOTHER

"God Be With You Til We Meet Again"

* MUSIC TO INSPIRE

Dr. Christopher Davis

SERVING THE CONGREGATION THIS MORNING:

Greeters: *Bob & Carole Shapiro*

Children's sermon: *Rev. Suzanne Malloy*

Worship Assistant: *Rev. Janet Ewart*

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANDREW'S

18	19	20	21	22	23	24
9:30am Worship 11am Adult Ed 2-4pm Llamada Final practice	3pm Cerebral Palsy 6pm Vista de la Cumbre HOA Mtg 8pm AA Grateful	7am Men's Fellowship 1pm Parkinsons 7pm Master Chorale	6:30pm Llamada Final 700pm Choir rehearsal 8pm AA Success	Thanksgiving <i>(office closed)</i>	6:30pm Llamada Final	9am - 12pm Russian Language School 1-3pm Watercolor group 6:30pm Llamada Final

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. For prayer requests to the Prayer Chain, fill out a slip from the pew and place it in a box at the rear of the sanctuary, or email to Lydia Swanson, lydiaswanson@hotmail.com.

PLEDGE CARDS. Thank you to all who have turned in their 2019 pledge cards. We are still expecting additional pledges. Pledge cards are available in the narthex.

ADULT EDUCATION: We will continue the theme of social justice from the perspective of Walter Brueggemann with his lecture from last year "What's in Your Wallet? A Look at What the Bible Says About Money." Dr. Brueggemann draws parallels from Genesis and Exodus to our current culture in a challenging discussion. We hope you can join us. All classes are held at 11:00am in the Window Room.

MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR ERNIE BROOKS is today at 1:00pm followed by a reception in Morgan Hall.

HELP US DECORATE THE SANCTUARY FOR THE HOLIDAY SEASON! Save the date, Saturday, Dec. 1st, to help the Worship & Music Team decorate. More details to follow.

PW CHRISTMAS TEA. Don't miss this festive event on Sunday, December 2, from 2:00 - 4:00pm, in Morgan Hall. Linda Sizer will be at the sign-up table after the service and happily include you as a guest or hostess. See you then!

LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR WEEKEND. Thursday, Nov. 29, thru Sunday, Dec. 2nd. Interfaith candlelight vigil will be held from 5:30pm - 6:30pm on Thursday in solidarity with our immigrant neighbors. Sunday will be the Love Your Neighbor Festival from 2:00pm to 5:00pm. Join us for food, music, dance, and speakers to celebrate Santa Barbara's rich immigrant community.

HOMELESS CARE BAGS are now available and are at a new location: inside the furnace room off the kitchen in Morgan Hall (through the door next to the freezer).

MISSION CONFERENCE REGISTRATION NOW OPEN. Registration for the 2019 Santa Barbara Mission Conference is now open (Oct. 21). Register by going online at www.sbmissionconference.org or by picking up and completing a brochure at any of our partner churches: Free Methodist Church of Santa Barbara, Ocean Hills Covenant Church or Montecito Covenant Church. The conference takes place Friday evening, Feb. 1, and all day Saturday, Feb. 2.

PASTORAL COVERAGE AND OFFICE HOURS. Suzanne Malloy's weekly office hours at the church are Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9:00am - 12:00pm. Except for scheduled community meetings on Thursdays. Judith is available for pastoral visits in homes, hospitals, care facilities and phone calls. Judith is available to meet at the church by appointment Wednesday and Thursday mornings. Email and cell phone numbers to contact: Suzanne at semalloy@verizon.net or 805-451-3372; Judith at judithmullersb@gmail.com or 805-453-0703.

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