



ORDER OF WORSHIP

1st Sunday of Advent

December 2, 2018



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

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS TOGETHER

MUSIC TO REFLECT ON

Prime Time Brass Quintet

MUSIC TO ENGAGE

“O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”

Brass

WELCOME & NEWS OF THE COMMUNITY

Rev. Suzanne Malloy

* WE GREET ONE ANOTHER

ONE: The peace of Christ be with you.

OTHER: And also with you.

WE LIGHT THE FIRST ADVENT CANDLE: “HOPE”

The Clergy “Family”

* WE CALL THE COMMUNITY TO WORSHIP

Rev. Judith Muller

LEADER: We come from a world of darkness

PEOPLE: Into Christ’s world of light.

LEADER: We come from a world of weariness

PEOPLE: Into God’s strength and hope.

LEADER: We come from a slumbering world.

PEOPLE: Strengthened by the Spirit, we come to awaken our souls and watch for the coming of Christ.

* WE SING TOGETHER “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel” (vv #1,6,7) (with Brass) *Glory to God, #88*

THE COMMUNITY CONFESSES TOGETHER

WE CONFESS TOGETHER *unison*

We confess, Gracious God, that we have not always turned to you for guidance. At times, we have allowed the world’s time to dominate your time. Forgive us for our sins of hurriedness and impatience. Forgive us when we have slumbered instead of remaining alert, waiting and watching for you. Forgive us for allowing the world’s fears to become our fears. Shine upon us this Advent season so that we may be restored to you. Guide us into your time. As we call upon your name, hear our prayers and give us life. In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

(time for silent confession)

WE PROCLAIM GOD’S GRACE *responsive*

LEADER: And now may our God make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all. Christ promises to strengthen our hearts in holiness, that we may be blameless at the coming of Christ.

PEOPLE: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are all forgiven. Hallelujah! Amen.

WE SING TOGETHER “Love Has Come” (verse 1 only) (with Brass)

Glory to God, #110

THE COMMUNITY LISTENS AND DISCERNS TOGETHER

A READING FROM THE HEBREW BIBLE	Psalms 25:1-10	<i>Rev. Muller</i>
A MESSAGE TO CHILDREN OF ALL AGES		<i>Rev. Malloy</i>
ANTHEM	"Go, Tell it On the Mountain"	<i>Brass</i>
A READING FROM THE GOSPEL	Luke 21:25-36	<i>Rev. Malloy</i>
MESSAGE	"The Porch Light is On and There's Room at the Table"	

THE COMMUNITY RESPONDS IN JOYFUL SERVICE

* WE OFFER OUR VOICES	"People, Look East" (vv. 1 & 4)	<i>Glory to God, #105</i>
WE OFFER OUR PRAYERS and THE LORD'S PRAYER		
WE OFFER OUR MONETARY GIFTS		<i>Brass</i>
* OFFERING RESPONSE	Doxology	

THE COMMUNITY CELEBRATES CHRIST'S PRESENCE TOGETHER

WE GATHER AT THE TABLE *responsive*

MINISTER: Friends, this is the joyful feast of the people of God!

CONGREGATION: **People will come from east and west, and from north and south, and sit at table in the kingdom of God.**

MINISTER: This is the Lord's Table.

CONGREGATION: **It is not the Presbyterian table.**

MINISTER: Neither is it the Lutheran table, the Baptist table, or the Methodist table.

CONGREGATION: **All are welcome here. Anyone who has been called by God is invited to come and put their trust in Christ.**

MINISTER: According to Luke, when our risen Lord was at table with his disciples, he took the bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them, just as we, ministering in his name, now give it to you. And when the disciples received it, their eyes were opened and they recognized Jesus! Lift up your hearts!

CONGREGATION: **We lift them to the Lord.**

MINISTER: Give thanks, for God is good.

CONGREGATION: **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

MINISTER: Everlasting God, we thank you for making us in your image to live with each other in love, and for the breath of life and the freedom to choose your way.

CONGREGATION: **Great and wonderful are your works, Lord God Almighty. Your ways are just and true. With people of faith from all times and places, we lift our hearts in joyful praise, for you alone are holy.**

MINISTER: Holy God, we thank you for your son Jesus, who lived with us sharing joy and sorrow. He told your story. He healed the sick and was a friend of sinners. He stood against the institutional powers and was killed because of his influence.

CONGREGATION: **We praise you that he is not dead but is risen in our hearts and reigns there! We trust him to overcome every power that would hurt or divide us, until the day that we meet him again in glory.**

WE REMEMBER CHRIST'S WORD: PRESENTATION OF THE BREAD AND THE CUP

WE PARTAKE OF THE BREAD AND CUP "Coventry Carol" (arr. by Cody Anderson) *Brass*

THE COMMUNITY GOES FORTH TO SERVE

- * **WE SING OUR HOPE** "People, Look East" (vs. 5 only) *Glory to God, #105*
- * **WE RECEIVE OUR CHARGE AND BLESSING**
- * **WE BLESS ONE ANOTHER** "God Be With You 'Til We Meet Again"
- * **MUSIC TO INSPIRE** "Go, Tell It On the Mountain" (reprise) *Brass*

SERVING THE CONGREGATION THIS MORNING:

Greeters: *Freddie Villa*

Worship Co-Leads: *Revs. Judith Muller and Suzanne Malloy*

Communion Helpers: *Sue Arnold, John Doner, Twyla Grier, Carol Lefley, Carole Shapiro,
Tom Weisenburger*

Advent Candle Reading: "Advent Cuedo" from Walking on Thorns by Allan Boesak, Eerdmans, 2004

Members of Prime Time Brass Quintet: *John Brunner, Trumpet; Cathy Anderson, French Horn;
Bill Rizzi, Tuba; John Ritchie, Trombone; Jackie Parker, Trumpet*

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANDREW'S

2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9:30am Worship 11am Adult Ed 2-4pm PW Christmas Tea	3pm Cerebral Palsy 8pm AA Grateful	7am Men's Fellowship 1pm Parkinsons 7pm Master Chorale	6:30pm Llamada Final 700pm Choir rehearsal 8pm AA Success	1pm Parkinsons	6:30pm Llamada Final	9am - 12pm Russian Language School 10am Book Club at Jackie Parker's home 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.

ADULT EDUCATION: We will hear from Brian McLaren with his lecture "A New Kind of Christianity", based on his book of the same name. From the preface of his book: *The bad news: the Christian faith in all its forms is in trouble. The good news: the Christian faith in all its forms is pregnant with new possibilities...* This means the Christian faith has the possibility of being forever young. So in the womb of Christian faith, I see a new generation of disciples coming alive and coming of age, disciples who hold amazing promise, even as they face huge challenges (not the least of which are misunderstanding and criticism from some of their elders)." There will be time for discussion. We hope you can join us. All classes are held at 11:00am in the Window Room.

PW CHRISTMAS TEA TODAY, December 2, from 2:00 - 4:00pm, in Morgan Hall. See you soon!

SHARE THE JOY of Advent and Christmas by mailing a Christmas card to St. Andrew's members and friends under care at home or in health facilities. Pick up a list of names and addresses in the Narthex or call the church office.

LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR WEEKEND CONTINUING TODAY at Harding School from 2:00pm to 5:00pm. Come for food, music, dance, and speakers to celebrate Santa Barbara's rich immigrant community.

CHURCH WOMEN UNITED CHRISTMAS TEA AND GATHERING on Friday, December 7, from 1:00pm to 3:00pm at First Presbyterian Church in the Christian Fellowship Center. You are invited to bring a plate of goodies to share. Questions? Contact Judith Muller at 805-563-8988.

NATIVITY SUNDAY is on Sunday, December 16th, at 9:30am. Bring your "white gifts" of canned food wrapped in white tissue for the Food Bank.

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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