



## ORDER OF WORSHIP February 4, 2018



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

### THE COMMUNITY GATHERS TOGETHER

MUSIC TO REFLECT ON

*Dr. Christopher Davis*

MUSIC TO ENGAGE

“Eternal Father Strong to Save”

*St. Andrew's Choir,*

*Evan Schindler, directing*

WELCOME & NEWS OF THE COMMUNITY

*Dr. Brett Becker, pastor*

GREETING

PASTOR: Jesus said, “Come to me, all who are weary and carrying heavy burdens”

PEOPLE: “And I will give you rest!”

### THE COMMUNITY WORSHIPS GOD TOGETHER

WE CALL THE COMMUNITY TO WORSHIP

*Rev. Judith Muller, parish associate*

\* WE SING TOGETHER

“You Are My Hiding Place” (2x)

*Renew! Songbook, #107*

\* WE GREET ONE ANOTHER

ONE: The peace of Christ be with you.

OTHER: And also with you.

WE PRAY TOGETHER

WE CONFESS TOGETHER *unison*

*The Confession of 1967; 9.08*

In Jesus of Nazareth, true humanity was realized once for all. Jesus, a Palestinian Jew, lived among his own people and shared their needs, temptations, joys, and sorrows. He expressed the love of God in word and deed and became a brother to all kinds of sinful people. But his complete obedience led him into conflict with others. His life and teaching judged their goodness, religious aspirations, and national hopes. Many rejected him and demanded his death. Our Creator, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S GRACE

WE SING TOGETHER

“God is Here!” (vss. 1–3)

Hymnal, #461

Glory to God, #409

### THE COMMUNITY LISTENS AND DISCERNs TOGETHER

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF JUDGES (part one)

Judges 16: 4–21

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN OF GOD

*Julie Sommers,*

*director of Christian education*

ANTHEM "Abide with Me" (by William H. Monk) *St. Andrew's Choir,  
Evan Schindler, directing*  
A READING FROM THE BOOK OF JUDGES (part two) Judges 16: 22-31  
MESSAGE JUDGING JUDGES *Dr. Brett Becker*  
"Strength for Its Own Sake?"

THE COMMUNITY GIVES TOGETHER

\* WE OFFER OUR VOICES "God of Grace and God of Glory" (vss. 1,3,4) Hymnal, #420  
WE PRESENT OUR MONETARY GIFTS  
WE PRAY TOGETHER

THE COMMUNITY CELEBRATES CHRIST'S PRESENCE TOGETHER

WE HEAR THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION *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 SHARE THE BREAD AND CUP TOGETHER

\* WE SING TOGETHER "Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ" Hymnal, #514  
\* INVITE TO FELLOWSHIP

\* WE BLESS ONE ANOTHER

"God Be With You Till We Meet Again"

\* MUSIC TO INSPIRE

*Dr. Christopher Davis*

**THE COMMUNITY GOES OUT AND SERVES**

**SERVING THE CONGREGATION THIS MORNING:**

Greeter:

Worship Assistant & Communion Celebrant: *Rev. Judith Muller, parish associate*

Communion Servers: Twyla Grier, Shirley Guenthart, Linda Gunther, Carole Shapiro,  
Sandy Thoits, Tom Weisenburger

Children's Sermon: *Julie Sommers, director of Christian education*

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

4	5	6	7	8	9	10
<b>9:30am</b> Worship <b>10:30am</b> Deacon meeting Library <b>10:30am</b> CMT Mtg <b>11am</b> Adult Ed <b>2pm</b> Llamada Final practice	<b>12:30pm</b> Spirits Group Vos <b>3pm</b> Cerebral Palsy <b>3-5pm</b> Transition House mtg Vos <b>8pm</b> AA Grateful	<b>7am</b> Men's Fellowship Group  <b>1pm</b> Parkinson's  <b>6:30pm</b> Master Chorale	<b>1:30pm</b> Music Mends Minds  <b>5pm</b> PYF Homework Club <b>6:30pm</b> Ministerios Llamada Final <b>7pm</b> Choir rehearsal <b>8pm</b> AA Success	<b>10am</b> Eve Circle  <b>1pm</b> Parkinson's <b>3pm</b> Finance Mtg <b>7pm</b> Quilt Guild	   <b>6:30pm</b> Ministerios Llamada Final	<b>9am - 12pm</b> Russian School  <b>9:30am</b> Presbytery meeting in Oxnard  <b>1-3pm</b> Watercolor class  <b>6:30pm</b> Ministerios 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 k

**ADULT ED** continues today with the Series *Living the Questions 2.0* entitled **Call to Covenant**. The lesson will be **Incarnation: Divinely Human**; followed next week by **Prayer: Intimacy with God**; then **Compassion: The Heart of Jesus' Ministry**; **Creative Transformation**; and ending with **Embracing Mystery**. The remaining dates include February 11, 18, 25 and March 4th. *All classes are in the Window Room of Morgan Hall at 11:00 AM.*

**TRANSITION HOUSE MEETING** on Monday, February 5, from 3:00pm - 5:00pm in the Vos room. Anyone interested in the future of St. Andrew's involvement in Transition House, please come to this meeting. Thank you. Any questions, contact Scott Eschbach.

**PYF HOMEWORK CLUB** begins again this Wednesday, February 7, from 5:00pm -7:00pm in the Vos room. Dinner provided.

**CHURCH FAMILY VALENTINE DINNER.** Sunday, February 11, from 5:00 - 7:00pm, in Morgan Hall. Dinner provided (no charge). Everyone, any age, invited for Valentine making, fellowship and dinner.

**ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE.** Wednesday, February 14, 7:00pm, joint service with and at First Presbyterian Church.

**ASH WEDNESDAY** begins **Lent** on Valentine's Day, February 14, 2018. **Walter Brueggemann** has recently written **A Way Other Than Our Own, Devotions for Lent**. This book is highly rated for personal devotions during Lent. God draws people out of safety and security into uncharted territory--- even down paths we never dreamed of taking. So, as Lent calls to mind how Israel wandered in the wilderness and how Jesus was tempted in the desert, Brueggemann outlines the way of humility, justice, and peace. Tom Weisenburger ([yznbrgrt@me.com](mailto:yznbrgrt@me.com)) will be taking orders for the book in the next two weeks for purchase in time for Lent. The cost will be \$10.

**PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN GAME NIGHT.** Save the date - Thursday, February 22, for another fun Game Night! Details and sign-ups next week. All women invited.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO HELP WITH AUDIO AND VISUALS.** We are in need of volunteers to run the audio and visuals at the 9:30am Sunday service at St. Andrew's. Training will be provided. If you can help, please contact (for audio): Dave Sommers at [sommers@silcom.com](mailto:sommers@silcom.com) or 805-708-7108 or Michael Padden-Rubin at [michaelpadden@hotmail.com](mailto:michaelpadden@hotmail.com) or 805-682-7891, or (for visuals): Sandy Thoits at [sthoits@gmail.com](mailto:sthoits@gmail.com). Thank you.

**PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE** for the people affected by the Montecito Mudslides. Financial support for relief efforts can be designated to the PC(USA) online at the PDA website <http://pma.pcusa.org/donate/make-a-gift/gift-info/DR000015/> To give by phone, call 800-872-3283.

**PER CAPITA. PER CAPITA APPORTIONMENT.** For 2018, per capita is **\$10.58** per member to support the efforts of the PC(USA) and the Synod of Southern California and Hawaii. Payment of the per capita by church members helps St. Andrew's keep the Church Operating Budget down. You may use your blue "Per Capita" pledge envelope. Please make your check payable to St. Andrew's and mark it "per capita." Checks and envelopes may be placed in the offering plate or sent to the church office.

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