



ORDER OF WORSHIP

March 10, 2019



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

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS TOGETHER

MUSIC FOR REFLECTION

Dr. Christopher Davis, pianist

MUSIC TO ENGAGE

“Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song”

St. Andrew's Choir;

Erin McKibben directing

Rev. Steve Jacobsen

WELCOME & NEWS OF THE COMMUNITY

*** WE GREET ONE ANOTHER**

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

THE COMMUNITY CONFESSES TOGETHER

*** WE CALL THE COMMUNITY TO WORSHIP** *responsive*

Elder Scott Eschbach

More than 3,000 years ago, a nomad named Abraham was living with his wife Sarah in an area that is now Syria. He heard a divine voice encouraging them to travel to a foreign land where they would discover many blessings. They left what was familiar and began the journey.

Centuries later, one of their descendants named Moses had to flee from Egypt as a fugitive. He was hiding in the wilderness of Sinai, making his living as a shepherd, when he saw a bush that was burning but not consumed. He turned and heard a voice. The voice revealed the sacred name for God and told him to return to Egypt and lead his people to freedom.

Two hundred years later, a shepherd boy living in that land had a gift for poetry and music. He composed a song about how this God is like a shepherd who will lead us through many challenges to find goodness and mercy. The boy became a king and his song has become our own.

More centuries passed. In the village of Nazareth, a young woman was asked by a messenger of God to bear a son who would show the world what God's love and justice look like. She gave birth to that son and named him Jesus.

We live many years after these events. But we are heirs of these stories and life-giving truths.

Come, let us worship this God of infinite wonders. Let us begin with a song.

*** WE SING TOGETHER**

“The God of Abraham Praise”

Hymnal, #488

Glory to God, #49

THE COMMUNITY CONFESSES TOGETHER

WE CONFESS TOGETHER *unison* *Elder Scott Eschbach*

Giver of Life, we live in an age which can seem far removed from that of our ancestors. We can see far into the depths of space and time. We can have our DNA – the design code for all living things – analyzed and understood. We now have devices we hold in our hand that allow us to communicate with people on the other side of the earth. But our inner natures are the same as our ancestors. We still struggle to know what we should do with our lives. We make mistakes that harm others and our planet. In times of uncertainty, we can feel isolated and alone. We come to you like sheep who need a shepherd. We pray that you look not on our failings but on our desire for your forgiveness, support and guidance. Hear us, we pray. *(time for silent reflection)*

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S GRACE *responsive*

Like a shepherd who leaves the flock to rescue one lost sheep, Jesus comes to us wherever we are to lead us home. Friends, believe the Good News: in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

SUNG RESPONSE "O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go" (verse 1) Hymnal, #384

THE COMMUNITY LISTENS AND DISCERNS TOGETHER

A READING FROM THE HEBREW BIBLE: Psalm 23 *responsive* *Elder Scott Eschbach*

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters; he restores my soul.

He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I fear no evil;
for you are with me;

Your rod and your staff— they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;

You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,
And I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

A READING FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT John 10: 11-15 *Rev. Steve Jacobsen*

MESSAGE TO CHILDREN OF ALL AGES "Disciple Dog Remembers Summers at the Sheep Ranch"

ANTHEM "The Twenty-Third Psalm" (*arr. by Katherine K. Davis*) *St. Andrew's Choir;*
Erin McKibben directing

MESSAGE "Adonai is My Roi" *Rev. Steve Jacobsen*

* **WE OFFER OUR VOICES** "The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want" Hymnal, #170
Glory to God, #801

THE COMMUNITY GOES FORTH TO SERVE

WE OFFER OUR PRAYERS and THE LORD'S PRAYER

WE OFFER OUR MONETARY GIFTS

* WE OFFER OUR PRAISE

"Doxology"

* WE DEPART IN SONG

"God of the Sparrow"

Hymnal, #272

Glory to God, #22

* 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: *Twyla & Kirk Grier*

Liturgist: *Scott Eschbach*

Children's Sermon: *Rev. Steve Jacobsen*

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANDREW'S

10	11	12	13	14	15	16
9:30am Worship 11am Adult Ed 2-4pm Llamada Final practice	3pm Cerebral Palsy 8pm AA Grateful	7am Men's Fellowship 9am Naomi Circle 1pm Parkinsons 6:30pm Master Chorale	10am Nominating 6:30pm Llamada Final 7:00pm Choir rehearsal 8pm AA Success	10am Eve Circle 1pm Parkinsons 1:30 - 4:30pm Painting class 3pm Finance Mtg 6pm Quilt Guild	1-3pm Quintet practice 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.

ADULT ED TODAY. Steve will be leading one in a series of classes exploring the 23rd Psalm in depth. The presentation will include music, images, handouts and discussion.



PW (PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN) ALL-CHURCH SPRING BRUNCH. Please join us for brunch on Sunday, April 7, following worship. Cost for the meal is \$5 and a Birthday Offering will be taken.

PASTOR STEVE JACOBSEN'S OFFICE HOURS. Pastor Steve will be available at the office on Tuesdays and Thursdays (9:00am - 2:00pm), and by appointment on Wednesdays. pastor@standrewspcusa.org

WHAT IS PER CAPITA? This is the way we share the operating expenses for the governing bodies of General Assembly and Synod in the PCUSA Church. Every PCUSA church is requested to pay a calculated amount for every member on the church rolls. This year the request is:

General Assembly	\$ 8.95
Synod of So. Cal & Hawaii	<u>2.85</u>
	\$11.80

We ask our members to pay their individual shares. Thank you.