



ORDER OF WORSHIP
THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT
March 4, 2018



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

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS TOGETHER

MUSIC TO REFLECT ON

MUSIC TO ENGAGE "My Song is Love Unknown"

Dr. Christopher Davis

St. Andrew's Choir;

Evan Schindler, directing

Elder Paul Davidson

WELCOME & NEWS OF THE COMMUNITY

GREETING

PASTOR: We gather to worship God, for God is good.

PEOPLE: **God's steadfast love endures forever!**

PASTOR: We gather to worship God, for God has called us, God's own people,
and has given us gifts for a faithful people.

PEOPLE: **We remember that God's steadfast love endures forever.**

PASTOR: Let us now offer worthy worship to God,

PEOPLE: **whose steadfast love endures forever!**

THE COMMUNITY WORSHIPS GOD TOGETHER

WE CALL THE COMMUNITY TO WORSHIP

Elder Sandy Thoits

*** WE SING TOGETHER** "Here in This Place"

Glory to God, #401

*** WE GREET ONE ANOTHER**

ONE: The peace of Christ be with you.

OTHER: And also with you.

WE PRAY TOGETHER

WE CONFESS TOGETHER *unison*

Loving and merciful God, you have searched us and known us and still you love us. We confess that we take this love and mercy for granted; we are careless with our gifts and resources, and we refuse to focus on you and your will for all creation. You call us to lead with love but we are reluctant leaders or we lead with only rules and efficiency in mind. Grant us, O God, caring hearts, attentive minds and renewed commitment to follow you and to help lead others to you. In the saving Grace of Jesus, we pray: 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

LEADER: The psalmist reminds us that God wants to gather us in like a mother hen gathers her brood under her wings. Under the wings of God’s love, we can let go of sin and guilt. We can abide in the love and mercy of Jesus Christ. Friends, in Christ we are forgiven and loved.

ALL: Thanks be to God!

WE SING TOGETHER “Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me” **Glory to God, #582**

THE COMMUNITY LISTENS AND DISCERNs TOGETHER

A READING FROM THE BOOK OF PSALMS

Psalms 32: 8-11

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN OF GOD

*Julie Sommers,
director of Christian education
St. Andrew’s Choir;
Evan Schindler, directing*

ANTHEM

“10,000 Reasons“

A READING FROM THE EPISTLE OF EPHESIANS

Ephesians 4:1-6

MESSAGE

“Losing Your Bit & Bridle”

Elder Paul Davidson

THE COMMUNITY GIVES TOGETHER

* **WE OFFER OUR VOICES**

“Will You Let Me Be Your Servant”

Glory to God, #727

WE PRESENT OUR MONETARY GIFTS

WE PRAY TOGETHER

* **WE SING TOGETHER**

“Give Thanks for Those Whose Faith is Firm”

Glory to God, #731

* **WE 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: *Bev Ford*

Worship Assistant: *Elder Sandy Thoits*

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

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANDREW’S

4	5	6	7	8	9	10
9:30am Worship 10:30am Deacons Mtg Vos room 11am Adult Ed 2pm Llamada Final practice	NO Spirits Group 3pm Cerebral Palsy 8pm AA Grateful	7am Men’s Fellowship Group 1pm Parkinson’s 6:30pm Master Chorale	1:30pm Music Mends Minds 6:30pm Ministerios Llamada Final 7pm Choir rehearsal 8pm AA Success	10am Eve Circle 11am Tobler Memorial & reception 1pm Parkinson’s 7pm Quilt Guild	9am -3pm Set up for Preschool festival in MH 6:30pm Ministerios	9am – 12pm Russian School (youth room & Vos) 9am – 3:30pm Preschool Festival 10am Book Club (Lowery Room) 6:30pm 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 place it in a box at the rear of the sanctuary, or email to Lydia Swanson, lydiaswanson@hotmail.com.

ADULT ED today wraps up the Series *Living the Questions 2.0* entitled **Call to Covenant**. Today's lesson will be **Embracing Mystery**. **Beginning on March 11**, we will begin a new Series titled **THE CHALLENGE OF PAUL**. Classes will be: March 11, 18, April 8, 22, 29, May 6, 20, 29. *All classes are in the Window Room of Morgan Hall at 11:00am.*

NEW SANCTUARY KEYS. The sanctuary outer doors will have their locks changed on March 8. Old keys will no longer work. If you need continuing access to the sanctuary during hours it is not usually open, please arrange a time with Nancy in the church office to issue you a key.

ADULT CPR/AED AND BASIC FIRST AID CLASS. Mondays, March 12 and March 19, 5:00pm – 8:00pm. Please sign up as soon as possible. Seats are limited. Registration fee paid by SAIL Team. At St. Andrew's in Morgan Hall.

CHURCH WOMEN UNITED WORLD DAY OF PRAYER. March 9, at 10:30am, at First Presbyterian. Participants should bring a sack lunch. Drinks and cookies will be provided. Any questions, contact Judith Muller at 563-8988.

PRESCHOOL FAMILY FESTIVAL/50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION. Saturday, March 10th, 11:00am – 2:00pm. BBQ lunch from 12:00pm – 1:00pm. Come enjoy a day of family fun and support the St. Andrew's Preschool program. Lunch tickets \$11 adult (burger meal), \$5 kids (hot dog meal). Call 964-6114 for more information. **BAKERS NEEDED!** As a way to support our preschool's 50th birthday and annual Family Festival, the congregation's BAKERS are invited to create pies, cupcakes, cakes and goodies for the Family Festival Bake Sale. This, in addition to your attendance at the event, purchasing a lunch, buying someone else's yummy baked creation, etc. can provide much needed fundraising for continuing the excellent program provided by our Preschool. You can drop off baked goods on Friday morning, March 9th or between 9:00am–10:00am on Saturday, March 10th.

ARE YOU INTERESTED in learning how to get involved and become a member of St. Andrew's? An Inquirers/New Member class is being held on March 17, 9:00am – 2:00pm. Please contact Pastor Brett Becker, Sandy Thoits or the church office.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER & MOVIE on Sunday, March 18, at 5:00pm. Hosted by PYF for the congregation. All are welcome. Sign up after worship today.

PLEDGE RECEIPTS. Our pledge receipts as of the end of January are \$13,699. The budgeted amount for that period of time is \$17,382 which gives us a shortfall of \$3,683.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING. Our One Great Hour of Sharing special offering supporting Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Presbyterian Hunger Program and Self-Development of People will be received on Easter Sunday, April 1. Special offering envelopes are available in the pew pockets, or simply mark the memo section of your check with "OGHS."

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 or 805-708-7108 or Michael Padden-Rubin at michaelpadden@hotmail.com or 805-682-7891, or (for visuals): Sandy Thoits at sthoits@gmail.com. Thank you.

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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