



**ORDER OF WORSHIP
THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER
PER CAPITA SUNDAY
April 15, 2018**



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

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS TOGETHER

MUSIC TO REFLECT ON

Dr. Christopher Davis

MUSIC TO ENGAGE

"I Need Thee Every Hour"

St. Andrew's Choir;

Evan Schindler, directing;

WELCOME & NEWS OF THE COMMUNITY

Dr. Brett Becker, pastor

GREETING

PASTOR: This is the day that God has made!

PEOPLE: We will rejoice and be glad in it!

THE COMMUNITY WORSHIPS GOD TOGETHER

WE CALL THE COMMUNITY TO WORSHIP

Elder Sandy Thoits

*** WE SING TOGETHER**

"Emmanuel" (3x)

Renew! songbook, #28

*** WE GREET ONE ANOTHER**

ONE: The peace of Christ be with you!

OTHER: And also with you!

WE PRAY TOGETHER

WE CONFESS TOGETHER *unison*

As the Easter season continues, O God, we confess that we make false starts and lose our momentum after we have begun well. Two weeks ago, Jesus was risen indeed and we were excited and energized! Today the grind of everyday life has taken over and we are less than enthusiastic and motivated. Remind us that Jesus is still with us, that faith is often a long obedience in the same direction, and that trusting in you never gets old, even when feelings may come and go. Help us today to go out of our way for someone else the way that you go out of your way for us. Make us compassionate, generous, and giving. Grant us grace to live abundantly and magnanimously, so that your love extends to all. 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

"Guide My Feet" (vss. 1-4)

Hymnal, #354

Glory to God, #741

THE COMMUNITY LISTENS AND DISCERNs TOGETHER

A READING FROM THE PSALMS	Psalm 3: 1-7a	<i>Elder Sandy Thoits</i>
STEWARDSHIP FOCUS	Per Capita Sunday	
TIME WITH THE CHILDREN OF GOD		<i>Julie Sommers, director of Christian education</i>
ANTHEM	"Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley"	<i>St. Andrew's Choir; Evan Schindler, directing</i>
THE EPISTLE READING	Philippians 1: 21-27	
MESSAGE	<u>MESSAGE OF JOY: PHILIPPIANS</u> "Death and Taxes!"	<i>Dr. Brett Becker</i>

THE COMMUNITY GIVES TOGETHER

* WE OFFER OUR VOICES	"How Clear is Our Vocation, Lord"	Hymnal, #419 Glory to God, #432
WE PRESENT OUR MONETARY GIFTS		
WE PRAY TOGETHER		
* WE INVITE TO FELLOWSHIP		
* WE BLESS ONE ANOTHER	"God Be With You Till We Meet Again"	
* MUSIC TO INSPIRE		<i>Dr. Christopher Davis</i>

THE COMMUNITY GOES OUT AND SERVES

SERVING THE CONGREGATION THIS MORNING:

Greeters: *Karen Noffz*

Worship Assistant: *Elder Sandy Thoits*

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

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANDREW'S

15 9:30am Worship 11am PW Spring All-Church Brunch 2pm Llamada Final Practice	16 3pm Cerebral Palsy 8pm AA Grateful	17 7am Men's Fellowship Group 1pm Parkinson's 6pm Session & Deacons Joint Mtg. 6:30pm Master Chorale	18 1:30pm Music Mends Minds 6:30pm Ministerios Llamada Final 7pm Choir rehearsal 8pm AA Success	19 1pm Parkinson's	20 6:30pm Ministerios Llamada Final	21 9am - 12pm Russian School 1-3pm Watercolor class 3-5pm Mudslide Fundraiser Concert 6:30pm Ministerios Llamada Final
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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.

ALL-CHURCH BRUNCH SPONSORED BY PW TODAY at 11:00am. Cost is \$5. The PW birthday offering will be received.

ADULT ED will continue next Sunday, April 22, with our Series titled **THE CHALLENGE OF PAUL**. The Challenge of Paul: Volume 1's title is "Paul & Jesus" and contains the Prologue plus 4 lectures: 1) In Search of the Historical Paul; 2) How to Read a Pauline Letter; 3) The Romanization of a Radical; 4) Jewish Covenant vs Roman Empire. Remaining classes will be: April 22, 29, May 6, 26, June 3, 10. *All classes are in the Window Room of Morgan Hall at 11:00am.*

TODAY IS PER CAPITA SUNDAY. The 2018 per capita apportionment amount 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.

FUNDRAISER FOR MONTECITO DEBRIS FLOW with performance by Honeysuckle Possums, a Bluegrass band. Saturday, April 21, 3:00pm - 5:00pm. Doors open at 2:30pm. Contributions go to Unity Shoppe Disaster Services. Volunteers needed for greeters, table and chair set-up. Please sign up today at coffee hour.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE for the May/June Lighthouse is Thursday, April 24. Please submit your newsletter articles to Nancy in the front office. Thank you!

FROM MAGGIE VARNER: "It is with sadness that I will have to be leaving the church. I will be leaving the end of April to live in Indiana near my daughter. I will truly miss everyone as I was a member over 40 years."

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.