

**ORDER OF WORSHIP  
RESURRECTION OF THE LORD**

**April 16, 2017**

*A rumpled sheet of brown paper  
about the length and apparent bulk of a man was  
Rolling with the wind slowly  
over and over in the street as  
A car drove down upon it and crushed it to the ground  
Unlike a man it rose again  
rolling with the wind over and over  
To be as it was before.*

William Carlos Williams

*\* Indicates a time to stand, if you are able*

**PRELUDE**

*Dr. Christopher Davis*

**WELCOME**

*Dr. Brett Becker*

**\* PASSING OF THE RESURRECTION NEWS**

ONE: The peace of Christ be with you.

OTHER: **And also with you.**

**\* HYMN OF CELEBRATION** "Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!"

Hymnal, #104

*Glory to God, #248*

**\* CALL TO WORSHIP** *responsive*

*Lisa DeBoer*

Leader: At Easter time all nature sings and rises up to life made new.

**People: New hope and joy this season brings and gives us all a clearer view.**

Leader: At Easter time the music swells with stirring notes of faith and love.

**People: Glad songs and ringing of the bells repeat the tidings from above.**

Leader: At Easter time the lilies white reveal a grace beyond compare.

**People: Each lovely chalice pure and bright sends forth its fragrance on the air!**

Leader: At Easter time I feel and know, however dim the future be

**People: Wherever turning pathways go, a living Savior walks with me.**

Leader: At Easter time my faith affirms the truth of what the Master saith.

**All: His gospel speaks in certain terms that Life is ruler over Death.**

**\* HYMN OF JOY** "Christ the Lord is Risen Today" on screens

**PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION** *responsive*

ONE: We praise you, living God, for the joy of Easter!

**MANY: We thank you, transforming God, for the power of resurrection!**

ONE: We ask you today to include us in that resurrection.

**MANY: We pray that transformation may be ours.**

ONE: We are reminded, O God, that Jesus said of us, "You are the salt of the earth."

**MANY: Forgive us when we fail to add zest and flavor to the life around us, when we refuse to pour ourselves out for neighbors and strangers.**

ONE: Jesus also said of us, "You are the light of the world."

**MANY: Forgive us, O Lord, when we turn from you, the source of Light, and when we hide your Light from others through indifference or lack of compassion.**

ONE: Jesus calls us his friends.

**MANY: May his example cause us to love God with all of our being. May his light glow in our hearts and shine in our relationships. May his victory over death add grace and joy and confidence to all that we do. Amen.**

**ASSURANCE OF GOD'S POWER** *unison*

The truth of Easter is this: not only were we created in God's image and rescued by God's love, but we have been raised to new life by God's power and grace! Our spirit is renewed when we trust God's ability to make new that which seems beyond repair and to find in us that which has been lost. Hallelujah for God's indomitable Spirit!

**HYMN OF GRATITUDE** "Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks"  
(vss 2,4), Hymnal, #106

**NEW MEMBERS RECEIVED**

Conner Acuna, Kathy Blankton, Patrick Gildea,  
Charlie Henry, Nancy Henry, Sunny Kennedy, Anna Kirk,  
Charlotte Smith, Ben Webber

**A READING FROM THE HEBREW BIBLE** Jeremiah 31: 1-14

ONE: The Word of the Lord.

MANY: **Thanks be to God.**

**ANTHEM** "Risen Allelujah" *St. Andrew's Choir*  
*Evan Schindler, directing*

**TIME WITH THE CHILDREN** *Julie Sommers*

**THE GOSPEL READING** John 20: 1-18

ONE: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the churches.

MANY: **Listen for what the Spirit is saying to us.**

**AN INTERPRETATION OF THE WORD**

"Mourning to Morning!" *Dr. Brett Becker*

\* **HYMN OF HOPE** "He Lives" *on screens*

\* **LITANY OF FAITH**

Leader: Jesus is our living Lord. He touches all of human life with the presence of God.

**People: Because he shared our humanity, he can be our example. Because he lives with God, his resurrection is a decisive victory over the powers that deform and destroy human life.**

Leader: Jesus' influence appears to be hidden.

**People: The world appears to be dominated by people and systems that do not acknowledge God's rule.**

Leader: But God's reign is real.

**People: It requires our loyalty and a commitment to practicing love and justice in a world that desperately needs our care.**

Leader: God's love sets us free from the fear of all lesser lords that would enslave or threaten us.

**People: God's grace liberates us to serve with Jesus' concern and compassion.**

**OFFERING and OFFERTORY**

*This is an intentional time of expressing our gratitude to God. Whether you have an offering this Sunday or not, take the plate, feel its touch in your hands, give thanks to God and bless all that is given this day.*

\* **DOXOLOGY**

\* **PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

\* **HYMN OF CONFIDENCE** "Christ is Alive!" Hymnal, #108

\* **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

\* **BENEDICTION RESPONSE** "God Be With You Till We Meet Again"

\* **POSTLUDE** *Dr. Christopher Davis*

*St. Andrew's Deacons invite everyone to a special Easter reception in Morgan Hall immediately following worship*

**PARTICIPANTS IN THIS MORNING'S SERVICE:**

Greeters: Nina and Nevin Chamberlain

Liturgist: Lisa DeBoer

Children's Sermon: Julie Sommers

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**GUESTS** stop by our Welcome Table this morning for coffee mug and information about St. Andrew's programs. Please fill out the **Easter Lilies** card and place it in the offering plate as it comes by today.



**NOVEMBER 14th**. Spring PYF retreat April 23<sup>rd</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup> at Cachuma Yurts. **Given by:** Mariellen Wathne

**SALE TEAM/ADULT ED PROGRAM**, "Journeying in Hope", BC (USA) video and discussion on immigration issues. Parents: Dave & Dorothy Abraham, Dana Jo Monk Sunday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 11:00am, Window Room.

**ADULT ED CLASS** "Religion & Pluralism" Sunday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 11:00am. **Given by:** Bob & Fran Wightman

**RUSSIAN LANGUAGE SCHOOL SIGN-UPS**. Be a chaperone for children of Russian families in Santa Barbara who want their children (ages 4-10) to learn to speak/write Russian. Classes are Saturdays from 9am - 11:30am. Spaces available starting April 22<sup>nd</sup> thru June. See Linda Sorensen for details. Parents: Fred & Dorothy Williams, Bev Ford, Helen & Harvey Rudolph, Bill Rudolph, Elaine & Bruce Giffen, Joan & Bill Oakley, Mark Fertig, Ed Aspinwall, Mona Wise

**TRANSITION HOUSE OPPORTUNITY**. Experience the joy of living with St. Andrew's friends. This Friday, **April 21<sup>st</sup>** 6:30pm - 8:30pm. **Given by:** Carol & Jim Wipster. **Menu and cost:** \$10.00. **Given by:** Bev & Fred Walters

**CHRIS DAVIS RECITAL**. Sunday, May 14<sup>th</sup>, 4:00pm in the Sanctuary. Light refreshments following. Goodwill offering taken. **Given by:** Ariel & John Bowers

**CHURCH OFFICE HOURS**. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 9:00am - 2:00pm. Tuesday Pastor **Given by:** Nancy Boger

**MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR ED ASPINWALL** on Sunday, June 11<sup>th</sup> at 11:30am, following service at St. Andrew's. Ed, a one-time Parish Associate and the Founding Pastor of Goleta Presbyterian Church, died on Tuesday morning, February 21<sup>st</sup>. My children Todd & Cheryl. **Given by:** Nancy Boger, Barbara & Scott Eschbach, Sig & Barbara, Dana Monk, Bev Ford. Grandchildren: Emma & Charlie Bowers, Ciaran & Fiona Boyle

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