



ORDER OF WORSHIP

Second Sunday of Easter

April 23, 2017



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

PRELUDE

Dr. Christopher Davis

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Brett Becker

* GREETING AND CALL TO WORSHIP *responsive*

PASTOR: Lift up your hands

PEOPLE: **And bless the Lord!**

PASTOR: How very good and pleasant it is

PEOPLE: **When the people of God gather together in worship!**

PASTOR: Come, worship the Lord with me!

ALL: **And let us exalt God's name together!**

* PASSING OF CHRIST'S PEACE

ONE: The peace of Christ be with you.

OTHER: **And also with you.**

* HYMN OF PROMISE "Arise, Your Light is Come!"

Hymnal, #411

Glory to God, #744

* TRIADS IN THE CHURCH Elders Sandy Thoits, Linda Gunther, and Karen Noffz

* PRAYER OF LOVE AND LEARNING *responsive* 1 Corinthians 13

Elder Diana Lee

ONE: Love is patient and kind.

MANY: **God, if you are able to be patient with us who are slow to change and learn, then help us to be patient with others when we are inconvenienced or bothered. Enable us to be kind to our sisters and brothers because you are kind and caring toward us.**

ONE: Love is not jealous or conceited or proud.

MANY: **But sometimes we are. We look at others, supposing that we are somehow superior to them or we look up at others and imagine that we will never match up to them! Forgive us for comparing and mercilessly judging, O God.**

ONE: Love is not ill-mannered or selfish or irritable.

MANY: **Yet we occasionally blurt out rude and hurtful things, sometimes before we even know what we are saying. Change our hearts, O God, and teach us to think before we speak.**

ONE: Love does not keep a record of wrongs.

MANY: **But we remember wrongs when we are angry or when we want to have our own way. We might even use them to injure the people we supposedly love. Help us, God, to forget and forgive.**

ONE: Love is happy with the truth of God. Love never gives up; its faith and hope never fail.

ALL: **Teach us, God, to persevere in love, knowing that as you forgive us;**

we can forgive others, confident that through Christ your strong yet humble character is being developed in us. Amen.

SILENT AND PERSONAL PRAYERS

SUNG PRAYER OF INTROSPECTION "Search Me, O God" *on screens*

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE *unison*

Here is what is great about the love of God: it allows us to start anew each day! It always forgives, always believes, always encourages, always endures. It abides forever! And we are the recipients of that great love and grace. Let us never forget: we belong to God and God will never let us go! Amen.

SONG OF THANKS "You Have Been Good" *Renew!, #25*

A READING FROM THE HEBREW PROPHETS Jonah 1: 1-17

ONE: The Word of the Lord.

MANY: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM "Christ Has Broken Down the Wall" *St. Andrew's Choir;
Evan Schindler, directing*

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN *Julie Sommers*

SENDING SONG "Jesus Loves Me, This I Know"

THE GOSPEL READING Matthew 12: 28-30

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 JONAH: MERCURIAL PROPHET *Dr. Brett Becker*
"A Resurrection Sign!"

* **HYMN OF RESPONSE** "The Solid Rock" *on screens*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and THE LORD'S PRAYER

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** *Hymnal, #591*

* **PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THANKSGIVING**

* **HYMN OF SUFFICIENCY** "God of Grace and God of Glory" *Hymnal, #420*

* **CHARGE AND BLESSING** *Dr. Brett Becker*

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

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

PARTICIPANTS IN THIS MORNING'S SERVICE: Greeters: Stephen Lee; Liturgist: Elder Diana Lee; Children's Sermon: Julie Sommers



PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

This week I will pray for:

Prayer requests for the Prayer Chain please email
Lydia Swanson at lydiaswanson@hotmail.com

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANDREW'S

23	24	25	26	27	28	29
9:30am Worship 10:30am Coffee Fellowship 11am Adult Ed. NO PYF (away on spring retreat)	9am Nominating Team Mtg VOS rm 3pm Cerebral Palsy 8pm AA Grateful	7am Men's Fellowship Group 1pm Parkinson's 6:30pm Master Chorale	 6:30pm Ministerios Llamada Final 7pm Choir 7pm AA Success	 1pm Parkinson's	 6:30pm Ministerios Llamada Final	9am - 12pm Russian language school 11am - 1pm PYF at Cloud 10/Rusty's Pizza 1-3pm Watercolor class 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.

PYF is away this weekend on their Spring Retreat at the Cachuma Yurts. There will be a PYF event on Saturday, April 29th, at 11:00am: meet at Cloud 10, then Rusty's Pizza afterward.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE is today Sunday, April 23rd, as we are going to a bimonthly schedule. Please include activities or classes that go until the end of June. Thank you ☺

SAIL TEAM/ADULT ED PROGRAM TODAY 11:00am, "*Journeying in Hope*", PC(USA) video and discussion on immigration issues. Window Room.

ADULT ED CLASS "*Religious Pluralism: Seeing Religions Again*", Sunday, April 30th, 11:00am.

ISLAMIC SOCIETY PRESENTATION / MEETING OUR MUSLIM NEIGHBORS on Sunday, May 7th at 11:00am. Come get to know our Muslim friends after they speak at the Adult Ed series "*Love Your Muslim Neighbors.*" Join in the discussion to learn about forms of worship and how they are similar and different from our own.

RUSSIAN LANGUAGE SCHOOL this Saturday, April 30th. Dates for Chaperones are still open. Please sign up after service or contact Linda Sorensen.

CHRIS DAVIS RECITAL. Sunday, May 14th, 4:00pm in the Sanctuary. Light refreshments following. Goodwill offering taken.

PER CAPITA APPORTIONMENT. For 2017, per capita is **\$10.35** per member to support the efforts of the PC(USA) and the Synod of Southern California and Hawaii. Use your blue "Per Capita" pledge envelope. Please make your check payable to St. Andrew's and mark it "per capita."

TRANSITION HOUSE OPPORTUNITY. Experience the joy of serving dinner to grateful residents with St. Andrew's friends. Third Friday of every month at 6:30pm. Sign up today after worship. Next date is May 19th. Instructions, menu and recipes provided.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 9:00am - 2:00pm. Tuesday Pastor drop-in hours: 9:30am to 11:30am. (Pastor cell phone number: 503-312-0049).

MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR ED ASPINWALL on Sunday, June 11th, 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 21st.