



ORDER OF WORSHIP
Seventh Sunday of Easter
Memorial Day Weekend
May 28, 2017



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

PRELUDE

Dr. Christopher Davis

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Brett Becker

GREETING

PASTOR: Come, worship the Lord with me!

PEOPLE: 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.

*** SONG OF FELLOWSHIP** "As We Gather" (2x)

Renew!, #6

*** CALL TO WORSHIP** *responsive*

Elder Linda Sorensen

ONE: In a world full of brokenness, pain and fear, we gather as people of faith, trusting in the grace and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ.

MANY: The Spirit of the living God gives us faith to pray without ceasing, to share with everyone the Good News, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work for God's justice and freedom for all.

ONE: Grace and peace to you in our Lord Jesus Christ!

MANY: And also to you!

ONE: God's steadfast love and mercy never cease! Each new day God's faithfulness is great.

ALL: Let us worship God!

*** HYMN OF GRATITUDE** "Now Thank We All Our God"

Hymnal, #555

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND COMMITMENT *responsive*

O holy God, you are perfect love. As we have been called to follow you, so we have been called to love as well. But our will is weak and we strive to love from our own strength, which ebbs and flows according to our feelings and circumstances. We do not love as we have been loved. Forgive us, O God, for falling short at just the time when our full commitment is needed. Change our hearts and make us instruments of your peace:

Where there is hatred, let us sow love;

Where there is injury, pardon;

Where there is doubt, faith;

Where there is despair, hope;

Where there is darkness, light;

And where there is sadness, joy.

In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

SILENT AND PERSONAL CONTEMPLATION

SUNG PRAYER OF INTROSPECTION

"Search Me, O God"

on screens

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE *responsive*

ONE: If anyone is in Christ
MANY: He or she is a new creation.
ONE: The old things have passed away.
MANY: Behold, all things have become new!
ONE: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel!
MANY: In Jesus Christ, we are filled with God's grace!
ONE: Give thanks, for the Lord is good.
ALL: God's love is everlasting.

REMEMBERING OUR PATRIOTS

* **HYMN OF FREEDOM** "My Country, 'Tis of Thee" Hymnal, #561

A READING FROM THE HEBREW BIBLE Genesis 45: 1-15

ONE: The Word of the Lord.
MANY: Thanks be to God.

SPECIAL MUSIC "Ständchen" by Franz Schubert *Christopher Davis*

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN *Julie Sommers*

THE EPISTLE READING Philippians 1: 3-11

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 "Memories: Catalogues or Catalysts?" *Dr. Brett Becker*

* **HYMN OF RESPONSE** "Called as Partners in Christ's Service" Hymnal, #343
GTG, #761

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**

* **SONG OF COMMITMENT** "Make Me a Servant" (2x) *on screens*

* **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: Greeter: Carol Moore; Liturgist: Elder Linda Sorensen; 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

28 9:30am Worship 10:30am Coffee Fellowship NO PYF due to Memorial weekend	29 3pm Cerebral Palsy 8pm AA Grateful	30 7am Men's Fellowship Group 1pm Parkinson's 6:30pm Master Chorale	31 6:30pm Ministerios Llamada Final 7pm Choir 7pm AA Success	1 1pm Parkinson's	2 3pm Session <i>Retreat at Oak Creek Lodge until Sunday</i> 6:30pm Ministerios Llamada Final	3 9am - 12pm Russian language school 1-3pm Watercolor class <i>Session at Retreat all weekend until Sunday</i> 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.

NO PYF TONIGHT due to Memorial weekend.

RUSSIAN LANGUAGE SCHOOL this Saturday, June 3rd. Last class next weekend, June 10th, as the school does break for the summer. If you have questions, please contact Linda Sorensen.

PYF GRADUATION CELEBRATION/APPETIZER POTLUCK. June 4th, 6:00 - 8:00pm. Congregation invited. Appetizer potluck served.

PENTECOST OFFERING, Sunday, June 4th. The Pentecost offering will benefit children at risk and also helps the church encourage, develop, and support its young people. The congregation is encouraged to **wear red** to celebrate the life of the Spirit in our midst.

HONOR GRADUATES DURING WORSHIP on June 11th. PYF is collecting information and photos of high school and college graduates related to our congregation. Images (childhood and current) and information (what school they are graduating from and any future plans they wish to share) are welcomed and should be sent to Julie Sommers at jsommers@standrewspcusa.org by June 1st.

MEMORIAL RECEPTION FOR ED ASPINWALL on Sunday, June 11th, at 11:30am in Morgan Hall following the regular worship 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.

SUMMER MUSICIANS NEEDED. The Worship Team is seeking special music for the summer Sundays when our choir is taking a break. The choir will sing on June 11th, July 2nd and August 6th. If you would like to share your gift of music with the congregation on *any other* Sunday this summer, please contact Christopher Davis at 619-405-3218 or chrisdavis.music@gmail.com

TRANSITION HOUSE OPPORTUNITY. Thanks to Dana and Anna Padden-Rubin for cooking in April, and for the Deacons on Friday, May 19th! Help is needed for June 16th. Experience the joy of serving dinner to grateful residents with St. Andrew's friends. Third Friday of every month at 6:00pm. Sign up today after worship. Next date is June 16th. Instructions, menu and recipes provided.

FINANCIAL REPORT. Pledge receipts as of the end of April are \$78,797. This is slightly over the budgeted amount of \$78,427.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 9:00am - 2:00pm. Pastor available any time. Call or leave a message at 503-312-0049. Pastor also in office for drop-in hours: 9:30am - 11:30am on Tuesdays.

YOUR CHURCH SESSION welcomes input from the congregation. Should you have any suggestions, concerns or questions for Session, please submit them in writing to Session, addressed to the Clerk of Session (Sandy Thoits).

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