



ORDER OF WORSHIP

Fourth Sunday of Easter

May 7, 2017



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

PRELUDE

Dr. Christopher Davis

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Brett Becker

GREETING

PASTOR: He is risen!

PEOPLE: He is risen indeed!

* PASSING OF CHRIST'S PEACE

ONE: The peace of Christ be with you.

OTHER: And also with you.

* SONG OF GATHERING "Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks"

Hymnal, #106

Glory to God, #240

* CALL TO WORSHIP *responsive*

Rev. Judith Muller

ONE: We are called to be Christ's faithful witnesses!

MANY: To minister to the hurting, the brokenhearted, and the outcast.

ONE: We are called to have the mind of Christ.

MANY: To take the form of a servant, to empty ourselves, to be God's people.

ONE: We are called to go give praise to God!

MANY: To lift up God, to magnify the name of God, to do the works of God.

ALL: In all that we say and do, let us worship God!

* SONG OF PRAISE "We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise" (2x)

Renew!, #3

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION *unison* based on Colossians 3: 1-4

Have mercy on us, gracious God. Lift our eyes to Christ, now seated at your right hand. Help us never to despair. Fill us with hope and joy and peace. Forgive us our doubts and fears, reminding us that you have declared victory over hatred and death. Thank you, O God, for the majesty of your forgiving love and goodness, in which our lives are bathed, washing over us like cleansing waters! Allow the good news of resurrection to overcome any sad songs of regret! Amen and amen.

SILENT AND PERSONAL PRAYERS

SUNG PRAYER OF INTROSPECTION "Search Me, O God"

on screens

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE *responsive*

ONE: God is loving and forgiving, full of grace and peace!

MANY: God is accepting and generous, open to all!

ONE: God's abundance is revealed in Jesus Christ.

MANY: His loving example and heartfelt teaching inspire us.

ONE: God's power is evident in and through the Holy Spirit.

MANY: The Spirit gives us strength to pray and serve.

ONE: Friends, this is the good news of the gospel!

MANY: We believe it and we will live it today!

ONE: Glory be to God!

ALL: Hallelujah!

SONG OF HONOR "How Majestic is Your Name"

Renew!, #98

A READING FROM THE HEBREW PROPHETS Jonah 4: 1-11

ONE: The Word of the Lord.

MANY: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM "Easter Song"

*St. Andrew's Choir;
Evan Schindler, directing*

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Julie Sommers

THE GOSPEL READING Matthew 6: 25-33

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

"God's Lovingkindness"

* **HYMN OF RESPONSE** "God, You Spin the Whirling Planets"

Hymnal, #285

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**

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE *responsive*

Rev. Judith Muller

MINISTER: Friends, this is the joyful feast of the people of God!

CONGREGATION: People will come from east and west, and from north and south, and sit at table in the kingdom of God.

MINISTER: This is the Lord's Table.

CONGREGATION: It is not the Presbyterian table.

MINISTER: Neither is it the Lutheran table, the Baptist table, or the Methodist table.

CONGREGATION: All are welcome here. Anyone who has been called by God is invited to come and put their trust in Christ.

MINISTER: According to Luke, when our risen Lord was at table with his disciples, he took the bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them, just as we, ministering in his name, now give it to you. And when the disciples received it, their eyes were opened and they recognized Jesus!

Lift up your hearts!

CONGREGATION: We lift them to the Lord.

MINISTER: Give thanks, for God is good.

CONGREGATION: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

MINISTER: Everlasting God, we thank you for making us in your image to live with each other in love, and for the breath of life and the freedom to choose your way.

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANDREW'S

7	8	9	10	11	12	13
9:30am Worship 10:30am Coffee Fellowship 11am Adult Ed. 6pm-8pm PYF at church	3pm Cerebral Palsy 8pm AA Grateful	7am Men's Fellowship Group 1pm Parkinson's 1:30pm Home Team meeting 6:30pm Master Chorale	6:30pm Ministerios Llamada Final 7pm Choir 7pm AA Success	9am Nominating Team Meeting 1pm Parkinson's 7pm Quilt Guild	6:30pm Ministerios Llamada Final	9am - 12pm Russian language school 10am Book Club Vos 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.

A WINDOW INTO ISLAM, Part 1. MEETING OUR MUSLIM NEIGHBORS today at 11:15am, Window Room. Come get to know our Muslim friends. Join in the discussion to learn about forms of worship and how they are similar and different from our own.

PYF TONIGHT at the church from 6pm - 8pm.

RUSSIAN LANGUAGE SCHOOL this Saturday, May 13th. Dates for Chaperones are still open. Please sign up after service or contact Linda Sorensen.

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

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING. May 21st, 10:30am, following worship, to elect church officers.

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. 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).

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.