



**St. Andrew
Presbyterian Church
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CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

10:30 A.M.

✠ Installation of Officers ✠

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WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

** Please stand in body or in spirit.*

A WORD OF WELCOME AND RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

** CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)*

We are gathered to hear God's call,

And to help one another listen.

We are gathered to feed God's sheep,

And to allow ourselves to be fed.

We are gathered to do justice, to love kindness,

And to walk humbly with our God.

Come! Let us feed and be fed.

Come! Let us worship God together.

Peace be with you.

And also with you.

**HYMN*

In Christ Called to Baptize

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In Christ called to baptize, we witness to grace

and gather a people from each land and race

In deep, flowing waters, we share in Christ's death,

then, rising to new life, give thanks with each breath.

In Christ called to banquet, one table we share,

a haven of welcome, a circle of care.

Although we are many, we share in one bread.

One cup of thanksgiving proclaims Christ, our head.

In Christ called to witness, by grace we will preach
the life-giving gospel; God's love we will teach.
By grace may our living give proof to our praise
in costly compassion reflecting Christ's ways.

Unite us, anoint us, O Spirit of love,
for you are within us, around us, above.
Equip us for service with gifts you bestow.
In Christ is our calling. In Christ may we grow.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

Mighty and merciful God, you have called us to be your people and claimed us for the service of Jesus Christ. We confess that we have not lived up to our calling. We have been timid and frightened disciples, forgetful of your powerful presence and the strength of your Spirit among us. O God, forgive our foolish and sinful ways. As you have chosen us and claimed us in our baptism, strengthen us anew to choose Christ's way in this world. Give us your Holy Spirit that each one in ministry may be provided with all the gifts of grace needed to fulfill our common calling, through Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior.

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

God's love is continually poured out for us. Drink from the cup of forgiveness and compassion, dear ones. In Jesus' Name, we are forgiven! AMEN.

GLORIA PATRI (*unison*)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

ANTHEM

St. Andrew Choir

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS (See Insert)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Song of prayer Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying (*pew song sheet*)

Prayers lifted to God

The Lord's Prayer (*unison*)

Our Father 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; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

We are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord;
we are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord,
and we pray that all unity may one day be restored:

Refrain:

And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love;
yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will walk with each other; we will walk hand in hand;
we will walk with each other; we will walk hand in hand,
and together we'll spread the news that God is in our land: (Refrain)

We will work with each other; we will work side by side;
we will work with each other; we will work side by side,
and we'll guard human dignity and save human pride: (Refrain)

All praise to the Father, from whom all things come,
and all praise to Christ Jesus, God's only Son,
and all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one: (Refrain)

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (*unison*)

Guide us, O God, by your Word and Spirit, that in your light we may see light, in your truth find wisdom, and in your will discover your peace, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

FIRST LESSON

Psalms 36:5-10

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Your steadfast love, O Lord, extends to the heavens,
your faithfulness to the clouds.

Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains,
your judgements are like the great deep;
you save humans and animals alike, O Lord.

How precious is your steadfast love, O God!

All people may take refuge in the shadow of your wings.
They feast on the abundance of your house,
and you give them drink from the river of your delights.
For with you is the fountain of life;
in your light we see light.

O continue your steadfast love to those who know you,
and your salvation to the upright of heart!

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says 'Let Jesus be cursed!' and no one can say 'Jesus is Lord' except by the Holy Spirit.

Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

SERMON

Community, Candle and Connection

The Rev. Anne McAnelly

WE RESPOND IN FAITH

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*unison*)

We believe in God the Father,

from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named.

We believe in God the Son,

who lives in our hearts through faith and fills us with his love.

We believe in God the Holy Spirit,

who strengthens us with power from on high.

We believe in one God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

OFFERING

Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Offering Prayer (*unison*)

God, you have given each of us gifts to use as members of the body of Christ. Here are our gifts – the work of our hands, our hearts, and our lives. We pray that they may help to bring the Good News of Jesus Christ to our world, today and always, here and everywhere. Amen.

WE LIVE TO SERVE

*HYMN

I, the Lord of Sea and Sky

GtG #69

I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry.

All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.

I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright.

Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

Refrain:

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?

I have heard you calling in the night.

I will go, Lord, if you lead me.

I will hold your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain.

I have wept for love of them. They turn away.

I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.

I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send? (Refrain)

I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.

I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.

Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied.

I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send? (Refrain)

BENEDICTION

The service of worship ends, the service of neighbor and world begins!

TODAY'S WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

- LITURGIST: Myles Billheimer
- GREETER: Susan Cummins
- COFFEE HOSTS: Lori and Jack Burkett
- OFFERING COUNTER: Pam Arnsberger

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, January 20 th	Bible Study @ 1 pm
	Bell Choir @ 2:30 pm
Tuesday, January 21 st	Session @ 7 pm

Join us each Monday at 1 pm for Bible Study. This PW/Horizons Bible study is an invitation to explore and to act, with all our hearts, in responding to an issue that impacts all life on God's earth. Readers will learn about ecological systems, and explore theological questions that point us to act and engage, in large and small ways.



Join us for our Annual Congregational Meeting, January 26, 2025, after service. Learn about all the wonderful activities our congregation has been up to, and the ways in which we are looking ahead!

2025 Per Capita Fees - The amount we are charged by the Presbytery is based on our total membership, and is due every year in February. It really helps our budget when our members contribute their share. The costs per member for 2025 follows:

General Assembly	\$10.85
Synod of the Pacific	\$ 5.22
Presbytery of San Jose	\$27.93
Approximate Insurance	<u>\$11.00</u>
TOTAL	\$55.00 per member WE THANK YOU!!!