



ST. JOHN'S

St. John's exists as a new family to embody God's reality & hope in our world.

SEASON OF PENTECOST

10^{am} July 13, 2008

We welcome you and invite you to discover and experience God's presence as you wish.

CELEBRATION

OPEN	<p>"Bedeck Thyself, O My Soul, in Gladness" by Brahms</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Cyril Deaconoff</p> <p style="text-align: center;">"Clap Your Hands"</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Choir Karen Irwin</p>
WELCOME & SILENCE	<p style="text-align: right;">John Anderson</p>
SING*	<p>(*please stand as able) "Come, Christians, Join to Sing" vv. all</p> <p style="text-align: right;">blue book 150</p>
PRAY	<p>one: Holy God, your desire to guide us far exceeds our capacity to imagine such blessing, yet the assurance of such guidance and care has been realized in the person of Jesus Christ. He dispels the dark areas of our lives, by planting the promise of newness and growth through the gift of his Spirit.</p> <p>all: <i>He demonstrated to the full, the depth of your care through his love and compassion - a love which resonated in people's lives, and a compassion which permeated all his actions. We offer our praise and thanksgiving for such a precious gift and pray that our worship be a worthy response to such a blessing.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>(silent offering of gratitude)</i></p> <p>one: Lord Jesus Christ, we pray that our lives may honor you. Forgive us, as we justify our inaction by wondering who our neighbor is, while knowing in our hearts that each person is our neighbor. Forgive us, as our comfortable lifestyles interfere with your call to action. Help us identify with those who are oppressed, and recognize and help bear their burdens.</p> <p>all: <i>Strengthen us to include in our lives, our prayers and our fellowship, those excluded because of race, sexuality, age or abilities. Help us accept people as you accept them, as precious mirrors of your image. Help us reach people as you reached them, as people for whom justice is to be exercised; as people with burdens to be borne and hurts to be healed.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>(silent accepting of God's grace)</i></p> <p>one: Amen. Through the graciousness of God we have been rescued from the power of darkness and transferred into the kingdom of God's beloved</p>

Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. (Colossians 1.13,14) Friends, believe the good news!

all: Thank God! We are reconciled and empowered to begin again.

AFFIRM*

Alleluia, alleluia!
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GREET*

(Share a greeting of peace, comfortable for you.)

COMMUNITY

CHOIR

"Zion's Walls" (from Old American Songs, Set II) arranged by Aaron Copland

LISTEN

(The Lord of the language is also the Lord of our listening.)
Genesis 25.19-34 (p. 38) Psalm 119.105-112 (p. 962)
Romans 8.1-11 (p. 1756) Matthew 13.1-9, 18-23 (p. 1516)

ENGAGE

"Family Stories"
"Why is this happening to me?" So she went to inquire of the LORD." Genesis 25.22

Portray the Perfect

Resist the Random

Exploit the Everyday

Welcome the Wounds

SING*

"As the Deer Pants" vv. all

red book 40

COMMITMENT

PRAY

(Ecumenical version, or use a version or a language you prefer)

Our Father in heaven, holy is your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread; forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen

SHARE LIVES
& GIFTS*(Please pass the clipboard. Guests may share as well.)**"Forever" by Asper*

AFFIRM*

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen***

DEDICATE*

Receive and bless these gifts and our lives, O God, which we offer in response to your love revealed so clearly in Jesus. As he planted the seeds of love and life in our lives, strengthen us to nourish others with the fruits of our faith made visible through these gifts, our love and our witness. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen

KIDS

COMPASSION

SING*

*"Live Into Hope" vv. all**blue book 332*

SEND & BLESS*

(You're invited for conversation & caffeine in the back.)

CLOSE

*"Toccatà" by Pachelbel***T O D A Y**

PASTOR THERESA - gave birth to Isabella SooYun Kim on Saturday, June 14 at 11.24^{pm}. All are doing well.

COFFEE/TEA - You may indulge before, during & after worship. You're also welcome to bring/share snacks.

GUESTS - We welcome you to this family of faith. As your hosts we love your questions & comments.

OUR KIDS - May wander or color at the table at left front. Animals & books in back are for restless parents.

Worship activity bags are in the back for kids to use each summer Sunday.

LIGHTHOUSE - is our nursery for kids 0-4 located in the chapel on left, front.

LITTLE MARINERS - is Sunday School class for ages 2-4, class will resume in September.

A.R.K. (All Remarkable Kids) Program - kids K-5 breaks for summer until Sept. 7, Jr. Hi will begin also.

LISTENING DEVICES - Are for hearing impaired, or for parents with kids in *The Lighthouse*, to listen to worship.

NAME TAGS - Help others remember your name. Indicate on the clipboard if you wish one made for you.

PARKING - Guests may dble-park on Lake St. (DPT ticket if cars blocked). Free @ St Anne's Home, 3rd & Lake.

RESTROOMS - Behind the sanctuary on both levels (upper level is fully accessible & has changing table).

THE EAGLE - Getting the Eagle (newsletter)? It's in back & on our website. Request to get it, on the clipboard.

WELCOME - If you'd like to help welcome others, bring snacks or tidy after fellowship, any Sunday, please indicate that on the clipboard as it's passed. Please place clipboard pages in the offering basket. Thanks.

LIVING OUR VISION

OUR COMMITMENT is to passionately follow Jesus.

COMMITMENT CLASS - Come explore what it means to take a 1st step in a journey of commitment to Christ & consider making St. John's your spiritual home, being a committed part of it, indicate your interest on the clip-board or call/email a pastor & we'll let you know about an upcoming class. Childcare available upon request.

FAITH on TAP - At The Bitter End pub (441 Clement, btw 5th & 6th Av) July 16 (each 3rd Wednesday, 6³⁰-7^{30pm}) No faith required, just curiosity to explore with your own integrity & identity. See pastor John or just show up.

GIVING - '08 envelope boxes for all, are in back of sanctuary, or use our secure eGive on our home page. stjohssf.org Questions: Treasurer, David Miller, 673 4810 / millerd2@prodigy.net.

OUR COMMUNITY is empowered by the Holy Spirit.

COMMUNITY CLASS - Explore growth in study, prayer, giving & fellowship. Monday, July 7, 7-8^{pm}, in Library. Please confirm with pastor John by 10^{am} of class day. Child care by request.

MEN'S BREAKFAST - Every 1st Saturday, 8-9^{am}, @ Lucky Penny, Geary/Masonic Call: John Lenox 752 1365.

STUDY GROUP - We will be taking a break during the summer. For info: contact pastor Theresa.

PASTORAL CARE - Pastors are available for questions, care & short-term counseling. Feel free to contact them.

OUR COMPASSION is embodied in the peace & justice of God.

COMPASSION CLASS - Discover gifts, talents & passions - your compassion. Monday, August 4, 7-8^{pm}, in Library. Please confirm with pastor John by 10^{am} of class day. Child care upon request.

HAYES HOME - Worship with residents, 2-2^{45pm}, 1250 Hayes St. (3rd Sundays). Info: David Miller, 673 4810.

HARVEST - Saturdays, 7⁴⁵-9^{45am}. Come share food with our hungry neighbors. Info: dalewalker@aol.com

ST. JOHN'S CINEMA - August 7, 7-8^{15pm} War Made Easy: How Presidents & Pundits Keep Spinning Us to Death('07). Government & media led us into war after war. Archival film reveal parallels between the Vietnam & Iraq wars. Bring friends - free. (Views expressed aren't necessarily of St. John's or members.)

OUR GIFTS - 10+% of our budget is for our community & world. Some recipients shown in back bulletin board.

What's New!

YOUTH - 1st Saturdays, Harvest, 7.45-9.45^{am}, help give out food - invite friends, join us for cocoa & donuts. See Evelyn, Eric & Iain.

NEXT INTERACTIVE WORSHIP - July 27 - Sanctuary stations engage our imagination in hands-on, self-guided faith journeys.

AIDS WALK - July 20, meet at 10^{am}, Sharon Meadows, GG Park. Go to www.aidswalk.net/sanfran to "Register", then "Join a Team", choose "Join an Existing Team", find our team name "Presbyterians".

MYANMAR - Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) appeals for long term cyclone assistance. Help support: www.pcusa.org/pda

FREE & CLEAR - Singles gathering w/ St. James Episcopal, Aug. 10, for lunch, 11.45^{am} at B-Star, on Clement St., between 2nd & 3rd.

PRAYER CHAIN - Pray for concerns & joys of our community.

You're invited to be a part by checking your email (or phone) & pray at your convenience, in a way comfortable & meaningful to you. If you're willing, please email, call, talk to Evelyn Ho eyho@usfca.edu, 422-0662 or Jackie Autry sanfranjackie@comcast.net, 668 0541.

YOU! - What ministry effort do you wish to initiate? Talk to a team member or pastor & let's do it!

more info @ stjohssf.org

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PC (U.S.A.)**

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