



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} September 28, 2008

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

CELEBRATION

OPEN	Reflective Interlude in A, by Mawby Clap Your Hands	Cyril Deaconoff Karen Irwin & choir
WELCOME & SILENCE		John Anderson
SING*	(*please stand as able) O God, in a Mysterious Way (tune-Azmon) vv. all	blue book 270
PRAY	<p>one: God of life, in the largest moon and the brightest star we see the work of your hands. In the smallest insect and the darkest cave we see the breath of your Spirit. God of all creation, Source of life, we offer you our praise. God of hope, in the dampness of dew and the cold of mountain streams we feel the work of your hands.</p> <p><i>all: In the whistling wind and the heat of the desert we feel the breath of your Spirit. God of all creation, Source of hope, we offer you our praise. God of peace, in the songs of the birds and the calls of the animals we hear the work of your hands. In the crash of glaciers and the bubbling hot springs we hear the work of your Spirit. God of all creation, Source of peace, we offer you our praise.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>(silent offering of gratitude)</i></p> <p>one: Holy God, the earth was yours in all its fullness. We took it as possession, instead of as a trust. In its fullness was beauty, but we saw riches.</p> <p><i>all: In your creation was diversity, we saw potential for exploitation. In diversity you created interdependence, we saw the chance for dominance. In interdependence you dreamt infinity, we saw short-term comfort and financial gain. Holy God, we confess our uncaring for creation, forgive us and create in us care for all creation.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>(silent accepting of God's grace)</i></p> <p>one: Our God is just and forgiving. Our God receives us as we are, lifts us up and appoints us again to care for the earth and all its creatures. Receive the grace of God. The old order has passed away and the new creation is before us.</p>	

all: Thank God! We hear and believe the good news that in Jesus Christ we are forgiven, reconciled and empowered to begin again.

AFFIRM*

*Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia!*

GREET*

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

COMMUNITY

CHOIR

Now Sing We Joyfully Unto God, by Gordon Young

LISTEN

(The Lord of the language is also the Lord of our listening.)
Exodus 17.1-7 (p. 114) Psalm 78.1-4, 12-16 (p. 914)
Philippians 2.1-13 (p. 1827) Matthew 21.23-32 (p. 1532)

ENGAGE

Attitude

"Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus... taking the very nature of a servant," Philippians 2.5-7

change that transforms

identity that develops

understanding that listens

usefulness that considers

SING*

Sing of the Lord's Goodness vv. all

red book 5

COMMITMENT

PRAY

(ecumenical version - or use a version or 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.)
Reflective Interlude in G, by Mawby

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*

*Loving God, receive and bless these gifts which we offer in response
to the many gifts you graciously give to us. Strengthen us with the
Holy Spirit that we may graciously serve others in the name of Jesus
Christ our Lord, and our Savior. Amen*

KIDS

COMPASSION

SING*

Arise, Your Light Has Come vv. all

blue book 411

SEND & BLESS*

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

CLOSE

Enter His Courts with Praise!, by Mason

T O D A Y

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.

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, offered 1st Sun of the month, downstairs in Fellowship Hall.

A.R.K. - (All Remarkable Kids) Program - kids K-5, downstairs in Fellowship Hall.

FAITH NAVIGATORS - grades 6-8 begins Sept. 21 in the Fireside Room.

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 clipboard 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) October 15 (each 3rd Wednesday, 6³⁰-7^{30pm}) No faith required, but curiosity to explore with your own integrity. 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. stjohnssf.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, October 6, 7-8^{pm}, in Library. Please confirm with pastor John by 10^{am} of class day. Child care available by request.

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

STUDY GROUP - Beginning Oct 16, we will study Jonah & Micah every Thursday, 7-8^{30pm} in the Library. 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, November 10, 7-8^{pm}, in Library. Please confirm with pastor John by 10^{am} of class day. Child care available 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 - Thursday, October 2, 7-8^{45pm} White Light, Black Rain: The Destruction of Hiroshima & Nagasaki. 60 yrs after the nuclear attacks, this film explores the human side, with survivor interviews, shedding light on the tragic events. 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, 7⁴⁵-9^{45am}, help give out food - invite friends, join us for cocoa & donuts. See Evelyn, Eric & Iain.

INTERNATIONAL PEACEMAKER - Rev. Yousif Kodi of Sudan speaks on Darfur here tonight, 6³⁰-8^{pm}. Let others know of this event.

ST. JOHN'S TOTS - Join us at the Bay Area Discovery Museum, "Tot Spot", Oct. 4, 11³⁰-1³⁰. Cost: \$10 (adults), \$8 (kids) & free (under 1). For info, contact Laura Co (lauraco@sbcglobal.net).

NEXT INTERACTIVE WORSHIP - Oct. 5 - Sanctuary stations engage our imagination in hands-on, self-guided faith journeys.

NAT'L SURVEY - Oct. 5 share in the '08 Congregational Survey; what congregations value & do best. Results nationally published.

ALL-CHURCH PICNIC - Sun., Oct. 5, 11.45^{am}. Bring family & friends for BBQ (provided) & kid-friendly activities: bouncy-house, cookie decorating & games. Please bring a dish to share OR just show up! All welcome. Walk to it at Julius Kahn Park (Presidio).

ST. JOHN'S CONCERT SERIES - Share this dream with a donation to the music fund. Speak to Cyril or Karen.

more info @ stjohnssf.org

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