



ST. JOHN'S

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

SEASON OF EPIPHANY

10^{am} January 18, 2009

Welcome - you're invited to experience God's presence as you choose.

CELEBRATION

OPEN	"Prayer without words" by Odojewskij	Cyril Deaconoff
	"Sing to the Lord"	Karen Irwin & choir
WELCOME & SILENCE		John Anderson
SING*	(*please stand as able) "Gather Us In" vv. all	red book 52
PRAY	<p>one: We acknowledged your creative presence, O God, in intimate and personal ways, and affirm your presence with us in an even more wonderful and personal way - in the relationship established through Jesus Christ and through the power of the Holy Spirit.</p> <p><i>all: We have such reason to praise and thank you, O God, for reaching out to us in Jesus and touching us with your Spirit; we turn towards you in gratitude, seeking to love you as we have been loved.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>(silent offering of gratitude)</i></p> <p>one: God of grace, in days when your word seems rarely heard and when visions are scarce, you break into our lives and call us by name. Many voices clamor for our attention, and your word is hard to hear.</p> <p><i>all: Forgive us when you call us to be prophetic witnesses or to use our gifts to serve you, and we do not hear, or are unwilling to respond. Remove all that hinders our hearing your voice and fill us anew with the Holy Spirit that we may joyfully respond to Jesus' call on our lives.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>(silent accepting of God's grace)</i></p> <p>one: Amen. The good news is that even if we at first do not hear the God's word addressed to us, God calls again and again. As our words and actions separate us from God, Jesus pays the price to restore us to God. "You were bought with a price; therefore glorify God..."(1 Corinthians 6.20)</p> <p><i>all: Thank God! We hear and believe the good news that in Jesus Christ we are reconciled and empowered to begin again.</i></p>	Cindy Harris

AFFIRM*

*Jesus, your light is shining within us.
Let not my doubts and my darkness speak to me.
Jesus, your light is shining within us.
Let my heart always welcome your love.*

GREET*

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

CHOIR

"Distant Land" John Rutter

COMMUNITY

LISTEN

(The Lord of the language is also the Lord of our listening.)
1 Samuel 3.1-20 (p. 423) Psalm 139.1-6, 13-18 (p. 974)
1 Corinthians 6.12-20 (p. 1777) John 1.43-51 (p. 1647)

ENGAGE

"But..."
"Everything's permissible for me" - but not everything's beneficial." 1
Corinthians 6.12

options

freedom

benefit

balance

COMMITMENT

INTERACTIVE
PRAYER
STATIONS

- sanctuary stations invite our imagination in self-guided faith journeys -
(15 minutes)

right rear - write your own personal blessing or prayer.

right front - light a candle while praying for a person, hope or concern.

left rear - use ancient "breath prayer" to focus on one thought.

all pews - sing the following repeated prayers.

Surely God is in this place, holy ground.

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Come & fill our hearts with your peace. You alone, O Lord, are holy.

Come & fill our hearts with your peace, alleluia!

Wait for the Lord, whose day is near.

Wait for the Lord, be strong, take heart!

*In the Lord I'll be ever thankful, in the Lord I will rejoice,
look to God, do not be afraid,
lift up your voices the Lord is near,
lift up your voices the Lord is near.*

SHARE LIVES
& GIFTS

(Please pass the clipboard. Guests may share as well.)
"Fugue in E-flat major" by Glinka

AFFIRM*

Praise the Lord, the world's Cre - a - tor, Praise our truth and hope, the Son,
Praise the e - ver ro - ving - Spi - rit. Pulse of life and love for ev - ry - one.

DEDICATE*

*O God, open our ears and hearts to hear your call to follow Jesus.
Receive and bless our lives and these gifts - may they truly extend the
love of Christ to all whom we meet. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen*

Theresa Cho

KIDS

COMPASSION

SING*

"Come Sing" vv. all

blue book 430

SEND & BLESS*

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

CLOSE

"Overture from Firework Music" by Handel

T O D A Y

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

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

FAITH NAVIGATORS - gr 6-8 in Fireside Rm, thru sanctuary & left.

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 - Explore taking the journey of commitment to Christ & St. John's as your spiritual home. Express interest on the clipboard or call/email a pastor & we'll let you know of the next class.

FAITH on TAP - At The Bitter End pub (441 Clement, btw 5th & 6th Av) January 21 (3rd Wednesdays, 6³⁰-7^{30pm}) No faith required, but curiosity to explore with your own integrity. See pastor John or just show up.

GIVING - envelope boxes for all, in back of sanctuary, or use secure eGive @ our home page, stjohssf.org

OUR COMMUNITY is empowered by the Holy Spirit.

COMMUNITY CLASS - Explore growth in study, prayer, giving & fellowship. Monday, February 2, 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 - Thursdays, 7-8^{30pm}, Feb. 5 on, in Library, studying Galatians. More info: See pastor Theresa

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

FACEBOOK - Check out the St. John's community through our website homepage, link up & be part of it.

OUR COMPASSION embodies the peace & justice of God.

COMPASSION CLASS - Discover gifts, talents & passions - your compassion. Monday, January 5, 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 - Thurs., Feb. 5, 7-8^{30pm}, Bilin My Love Israeli & Palestinian activists reveal fear & courage in conflicted Palestinian village. Invite friends - free. (Views aren't necessarily of St. John's or members.)

OUR GIFTS - 10+% of our income is for others. Some recipients shown on 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.

4th-8th GRADE - Feb 22, after worship, we go to the movies. Movie TBD. Contact pastor Theresa for more info.

PHOTO DIRECTORY - Eric Guarisco will photograph members & friends. Contact him, 931-9998 eric-sf@pacbell.net as needed .

NEXT INTERACTIVE WORSHIP - March 1, for Lent - sanctuary stations invite our imagination in self-guided faith journeys.

SNO TRIP - Feb 6-8 at Zephyr Point Conference Center in Lake Tahoe. 2 rooms left. Contact Leslie Bacho, lbacho@sffb.org.

PLANT OLIVE TREES - Honor someone with a tree planted (\$20 each) in Bethlehem by John & Nancy Anderson. See back display.

ST. JOHN'S TOTS - Parents & kids 0-4 invited for potluck @ the Co's Sun. Feb 22, 3-6^{pm}. Laura: lauraco@sbcglobal.net 771 3758

MUSIC FUND - Consider contributing to raise St. John's profile in the music community for our spring concert & more.

SOLOIST CONCERT - Don't miss our choir soloists' concert "Make Our Garden Grow", Saturday, January 24, 7-8^{15pm} Invite friends.

COMMITMENT SUNDAY - February 15, come share the celebration with food & your resources.

more info @ stjohssf.org

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