



# ST. JOHN'S

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

SEASON OF EASTER

10<sup>am</sup> April 19, 2009

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

## CELEBRATION

OPEN	Supplication by Asper	Cyril Deaconoff
WELCOME & QUIET	Gloria, from Cyril Deaconoff's "Gloria"	Karen Irwin & choir
SING*	(*please stand as able) Christ Is Risen vv. all	blue book 104
PRAY	<p>one: We worship you, O God, aware that we are a people at differing stages in our faith journeys - experiences of you shaped by diverse background, teachings and relationships. We move between faith and doubt, certainty and unbelief. So we rejoice in scripture that strengthens our belief that Jesus is the Christ, and that in believing, we might have life.</p> <p><b><i>all: We worship you, O God, with praise and thanksgiving for that gift of life made possible through Jesus' death and resurrection. Strengthen our belief in Jesus. May we know the blessings of his peace in us and the breath of his Spirit upon us.</i></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>(silent offering of gratitude)</i></p> <p>one: We gather as a fellowship acknowledging Jesus as Lord, giving thanks for the joy we find and to witness to the power of the Holy Spirit in our lives. Yet, often we feel afraid and abandoned; when faith leads to doubt and questions rather than joy or peace. Unlike those first disciples, we cannot touch or see you, Lord, and so we easily become downcast and hopeless.</p> <p><b><i>all: Forgive us as we find the Easter truth hard to believe. Come to us, risen Christ, through the closed doors of our hearts and minds and take away our fears and doubts. Come to us, breathe on us and fill us with the joy and peace of your presence. Bless us as people who have not seen you, but who seek to believe you are truly risen.</i></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>(silent accepting of God's grace)</i></p> <p>one: Amen. Hear the good news: If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If anyone does</p>	

sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ; atoning sacrifice for our sins, and also for the sins of the whole world. (1 John 1.9,2.1b,2)

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

AFFIRM\*

*Jesus, your life is moving among us.  
Let not my doubts and my darkness speak to me.  
Jesus, your life is moving among us.  
Let my heart always welcome your love.*

GREET\*

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

CHOIR

Gratia agimus tibi, Propter magnam gloriam, from Vivaldi "Gloria"  
(We give thanks to Thee for Thy your great glory)

### COMMUNITY

LISTEN

(The Lord of the language is also the Lord of our listening.)  
Acts 4.32-35 (p. 1697) Psalm 133 (p. 970)  
1 John 1.1-2.2 (p. 1898) John 20.19-31 (p. 1686)

ENGAGE

Touchable Peace  
"Again Jesus said, 'Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I'm sending you.'" John 20.21

fact

reflect

connect

act

### COMMITMENT

INTERACTIVE  
PRAYER  
STATIONS

You're invited to the sanctuary stations in self-guided faith journeys. (15")  
right rear - reflect upon belief in heart & head  
left rear - connect questions & struggles with new found peace  
right front - act so others might touch Jesus  
pews - repeat these sung prayers, reflecting upon where you need peace.

*Surely God is in this place, holy ground.  
Surely God is in this place, holy ground.*

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

Bless the Lord, my soul, & bless God's holy name.  
Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life.

In the Lord rejoicing! Christ is risen from the dead! Alleluia!

SHARE LIVES  
& GIFTS

(Please pass the clipboard. Guests may share as well.)  
Qui sedes from Gloria by Cyril Deaconoff

Theresa Cho

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\*

*Gracious and loving God, you raised Jesus from the dead, disclosing forever your great love for the world. We respond to such love with these gifts and our lives and pray that you will bless them. Send us out in the power of the Holy Spirit to reveal your love in all we do and say. We pray in the name of our risen Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen*

KIDS

## COMPASSION

SING\*

Lord of Creation w. all

red book 29

SEND & BLESS\*

(You're invited for lunch in the Fireside Room—through the door to your left.)

CLOSE

Joyful Interlude in A by Mawby

## TODAY

**COFFEE/TEA** - You're welcome to have it before, during & after worship. Feel free to bring & share snacks.

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

**WE LOVE KIDS** - They can wander or color at front table at left. Animals & books in back for restless parents.

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

**LITTLE MARINERS** - for ages 2-4, offered 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Sundays of month, downstairs.

**A.R.K.** (All Remarkable Kids) - kids K - 5<sup>th</sup> grade, downstairs in Fellowship Hall.

**FAITH NAVIGATORS** - grades 6-8 in Fireside Room.

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

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

**PARKING** - Guests: double-park on Lake St. (DPT ticket when cars blocked). Free @ St Anne's, 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> @ Lake.

**RESTROOMS** - On both levels (upper level is fully accessible with changing table).

**THE EAGLE** - Receive our Eagle (newsletter). Find it in back, on website or request it on clipboard.

**WELCOME** - Please indicate your wishes on clipboard as it's passed & please place page in the offering basket.

## LIVING OUR VISION

**OUR COMMITMENT** is to passionately follow Jesus.

**COMMITMENT CLASS** - Explore what it means to take a step in a journey of commitment to Christ & being a part of St. John's as your spiritual home. Indicate any interest on the clipboard or call/email a pastor & we'll let you know of the next class. Childcare available upon request.

**FAITH on TAP** - At the Bitter End pub (441 Clement, @ 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>) May 20 (3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays), 6<sup>30</sup>-7<sup>30</sup>pm. 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, stjohnessf.org

**OUR COMMUNITY** is empowered by the Holy Spirit.

**COMMUNITY CLASS** - Explore growth in study, prayer, giving & fellowship. Monday, May 4, 7-8<sup>pm</sup>, in Library. Please confirm with pastor John by 10<sup>am</sup> of class day. Child care available by request.

**MEN'S BREAKFAST** - Each 1<sup>st</sup> Sat., 8-9<sup>am</sup>, @ Lucky Penny, Geary/Masonic, John Lenox 7521365.

**ALPHABET DINERS CLUB** - Eating our way thru the alphabet. Meet at Oyaji (3212 Clement), 4/30 @7<sup>pm</sup>, for good food & conversation. Contact pastor Theresa for more info & to RSVP.

**FACEBOOK** - Check the St. John's community thru 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, June 1, 7-8<sup>pm</sup>, Library. Please confirm with pastor John by 10<sup>am</sup> of class day. Child care upon request.

**HARVEST** - Saturdays, 7<sup>30</sup>-9<sup>30</sup>am share food with our hungry neighbors. Info: dalewalker@aol.com

**ST. JOHN'S CINEMA** - Thurs., May 7, 7-8<sup>45</sup>pm, Taxi to the Dark Side After picking up 3 passengers, an Afghan taxi driver never returns. Firsthand reports look at U.S. torture. '07 best Oscar Documentary. 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** - 1<sup>st</sup> Sat. Harvest, 7-9<sup>am</sup>, come give out food, then donuts with Evelyn & Iain.

**COMMITMENT CARDS** - Extras in back for members to return.

**CINDY HARRIS** - Our seminary intern finishes her time with us on April 26. Please extend your gratitude to her for her presence with us.

**ST. JOHN'S TOTS** - Families w/ ages 0-3 & siblings welcome to Marin pool party, May 3, 1-5<sup>pm</sup>. BBQ provided. Bring a dish to share. Info & directions: ask pastor Theresa.

**GOSPEL BITES** - Let's together chew on the images of St. John, at the Bitter End pub (441 Clement, @ 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>) May 6 (1<sup>st</sup> Wednesdays), 6<sup>30</sup>-7<sup>30</sup>pm. See pastor John or just show up. **SPRING**

**CONCERT** - Saturday, May 9, 8<sup>pm</sup>; Vallejo Choral Society, St. John's choir & musicians of SF Conservatory. Tickets: \$20 general & \$15 for seniors/students on sale.

**BE A GREETER!** - Sundays, 9<sup>40</sup>-10<sup>10</sup>am. Interested? Talk to Stacy: stacybrubaker@hotmail.com or Keith: secondjune@gmail.com

**INTERACTIVE WORSHIP** - next on May 31, Pentecost Sunday - sanctuary stations invite our imagination in self-guided faith journeys.

**GO TO YELP.COM** - To share what's here at St. John's, w/ SF?

more info @ stjohnessf.org

**ST. JOHN'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
PC (U.S.A.)**

*Ministers* all members

*Choral Director* Karen Irwin  
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