



# 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> May 3, 2009

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

## CELEBRATION

OPEN	Praeludium Pastorale by John Stainer	Cyril Deaconoff
WELCOME & QUIET	Gratias agimus tibi (We give thanks to Thee) from Gloria by Deaconoff	Karen Irwin & choir
SING*	(*please stand as able) Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks vv. all	John Anderson
PRAY	<p>one: Gracious God, we know love because you made it eternally visible in the person of Jesus Christ, showing us that love was not confined to words alone, nor an abstract quality, but a heart-centered activity. We pray that our gratitude may be visible in our care for others and for this world.</p> <p><b>all: <i>Stir such a love in our hearts so that all we do may be pleasing to you and be the very best evidence of our identity as people with the risen Christ living within us - giving us life.</i></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>(silent offering of gratitude)</i></p> <p>one: Most gracious God, Christ did not just tell people how to live - serving others, turning the other cheek, loving the unlovable - he demonstrated it. We want to serve as Jesus served, yet we admit our priorities become confused by the world's values, which often conflict with those of Jesus.</p> <p><b>all: <i>We do want people to know that your love dwells in us, and that we are active witnesses of that love. Forgive us as our words and actions do not display your love. Fill us with your Spirit so that our weakness is overcome by your strength, selfishness is overwhelmed by your generosity, and our apathy is replaced by your enthusiasm.</i></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>(silent accepting of God's grace)</i></p> <p>one: Amen. "All who believe in the name of Jesus Christ and love one another, live in him and he lives in them." (1 John 3.23, 24) Hear and believe the good news that in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.</p> <p><b>all: <i>Thank God! We hear and believe the good news that in Jesus Christ we are reconciled and empowered to begin again.</i></b></p>	

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

Domine fili Unigente (O Lord, the only begotten Son, Jesus Christ) from "Gloria"  
by Vivaldi

## COMMUNITY

LISTEN

(The Lord of the language is also the Lord of our listening.)  
Acts 4.5-12 (p. 1696) Psalm 23 (p. 862)  
1 John 3.16-24 (p. 1901) John 10.11-18 (p. 1666)

ENGAGE

How We Know  
"let's not love with words or tongue but with actions & in truth." 1 John 3.18

reallocate  
relinquish  
request  
receive

SING\*

Live Into Hope wv. all

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## 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.)  
Miserere 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*	<i>In thanks for the great gift of Jesus' life within us, we bring this offering to be used to spread the good news of his love. We bring our lives also to be blessed anew, praying that the power that raised Jesus from the dead will enliven our spirits and renew our dedication to witness to the gospel not just in word and speech, but in truth and action. Amen</i>
KIDS	
SHARE CHRIST'S MEAL	(You're invited to share, regardless of background, as you seek to follow Jesus. Taking bread, dip it in the cup.)
SING	<i>Taste and see, taste and see the goodness of the Lord; O, taste and see, taste and see the goodness of the Lord, of the Lord.</i>
PRAY	<i>Gracious God, we have been reminded of Jesus' sacrificial love for us as we have shared this meal together, and through the power of the Holy Spirit we have received his life in us. May we make our thanks visible by serving you and one another. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to share ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen</i>
<b>COMPASSION</b>	
SING*	Love Divine w. 1, 2, 4
SEND & BLESS*	(You're invited for conversation & caffeine in the back.)
CLOSE	In gloria Dei Patri (in the glory of God the Father), from "Gloria" by Deaconoff

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**T O D A Y**

**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. A safe place to talk faith, ask questions & maintain your integrity - no faith required. 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, 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> Saturdays, 8-9<sup>am</sup>, @ Lucky Penny, Geary/Masonic, John Lenox 7521365.

**ALPHABET DINERS CLUB** - Eating our way thru the alphabet. May 28 @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** - We strive to give 10+% of our income 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 finished her time with us on April 26. We are grateful for her presence with us.

**ST. JOHN'S TOTS** - Families w/ ages 0-3 & siblings welcome to Marin pool party, today, 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 @ stjohssf.org

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

**Ministers** all members  
**Choral Director** Karen Irwin  
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