



ST. JOHN'S

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

SUNDAY WORSHIP

10^{am} July 26, 2009

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

CELEBRATION

OPEN	Air by Samuel Wesley	Karen Irwin
	O Come, Let Us Worship	Choir
WELCOME & STILLNESS		Theresa Cho
SING*	(*please stand as able) God Is Here vv. 1,3,4	blue book 461

PRAY

one: Living God, we give thanks for the many blessings you bestow on our lives. The greatest of these is that the risen Christ dwells in our hearts - in the innermost recesses of our lives through the power of your Spirit. Your love binds us to you and names us as members of your family.

all: *Your love enriches and enhances our lives in ways that knowledge never could, and enables us to accomplish far more than we could ever dream or imagine. We worship and praise you, O God, for so blessing our lives and we pray that all we do and say will bring glory to you.*

(silent offering of gratitude)

one: Merciful God, we hear the story of David and wonder how he could so abuse his power - serving his own interests in such a selfish way. How different from the way Jesus used his power - serving, healing and nurturing others.

all: *Forgive us when our actions reflect those of David more than those of Jesus.*

one: David demonstrated how things can get out of control when God's rules are not followed, while Jesus demonstrates how God's power can bring peace even into the stormiest situations. Forgive us the times when we have yielded to the temptation of feeding our own interests to the detriment of others around us.

all: *We confess that the way of the world does reflect more the way of David than the way of Jesus, and we pray that we may be powerfully strengthened by the Holy Spirit to witness Jesus' love*

and compassion in and through all we do and say.

(silent accepting of God's grace)

one: Amen. Through the power of the Holy Spirit within us, God is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine. (Ephesians 3.20) So, hear and believe the good news that in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

all: *Thank God! We hear and believe the good news that in Jesus Christ we are reconciled and renewed 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

Simple Gifts, arr. Carol Strommen

COMMUNITY

LISTEN

*(The Lord of the language is also the Lord of our listening.)
2 Samuel 11.1-5 (p. 486) Psalm 14 (p. 852)
Ephesians 3.14-21 (p. 1820) John 6.1-21 (p. 1655)*

ENGAGE

Please refer to insert

SONG

When We Are Living vv. all

blue book 400

COMMITMENT

SHARE LIVES
& GIFTS

*(Please pass & sign the clipboard. Guests may share as well.)
Siciliano by John Stanley*

AFFIRM*

Musical notation for the commitment song. It consists of two staves of music in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are written below the notes.

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 God, we thank you for blessing us with the riches of your glory -to know the breadth and length, the height and depth of your love for us so clearly revealed in Jesus. We respond with these gifts and pray that you will bless them and all our efforts to enrich the lives of others through our witness, our love and our generosity. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen

KIDS

COMPASSION

SING*

Be Thou My Vision vv. all

blue book 339

SEND & BLESS*

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

CLOSE

Voluntary in B flat by Maurice Green

T O D A Y

PASTOR JOHN and CYRIL DEACONOFF - are away 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 - Preschool, NO PROGRAM DURING SUMMER. RESUMES SEP 6.

A.R.K. (All Remarkable Kids) - kids K - 5th grade, NO PROGRAM DURING SUMMER. RESUMES SEP 6.

FAITH NAVIGATORS - grades 6-8, NO PROGRAM DURING SUMMER. RESUMES OCT 4.

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, 3rd/4th @ 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, @ 5th & 6th) August 19 (3rd Wednesdays), 6³⁰-7³⁰pm. 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, October 5, 6³⁰-7³⁰pm, in Library. Please confirm with pastor John by 10^{am} of class day. Child care available by request.

MEN'S BREAKFAST - Each 1st Saturdays, 8-9^{am}, @ Lucky Penny, Geary/Masonic, John Lenox 7521365.

ALPHABET DINERS CLUB - Eating our way thru the alphabet. Aug 27, @7^{pm}, Indonesian – Borobudur @ 700 Post (b/w Jones & Leavenworth) for good food & conversation. Contact pastor Theresa to RSVP. More @ stjohssf.org

GOSPEL BITES - at the Bitter End Pub (441 Clement, @ 5th/6th) August 5 (1st Wednesdays), 6⁴⁵-7⁴⁵pm. See pastor John or just show up. We look at the gospel of John - images and imagination for our lives.

OUR COMPASSION embodies the peace & justice of God.

COMPASSION CLASS - Discover gifts, talents & passions - your compassion. Monday, August 3, 6³⁰-7³⁰pm, Library. Please confirm with pastor John by 10^{am} of class day. Child care upon request.

HARVEST - Saturdays, 7³⁰-9³⁰am share food with our hungry neighbors. Info: dalewalker@aol.com

ST. JOHN'S CINEMA - Thursday, August 6, 7-9^{pm}, Jimmy Carter: Man from Plains An intimate portrait of Jimmy Carter explaining his view of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, revealing the Nobel Peace Prize winner's true character. Free. (Views aren't necessarily of St. John's or members.)

OUR GIVING - We strive to give away 10+% of our income. Some recipients shown on back bulletin board.

What's New!

YOUTH - Oct. 3rd Sat. 7-9^{am}, share food at Harvest, see Evelyn & Iain.

SF BAY AREA DARFUR COALITION - seeks members for its Executive Committee to educate & encourage advocacy. Coalition Info is at www.darfursf.org. or contact Esther Sprague esprague11@yahoo.com.

PALESTINE HARVEST TRIP - SF Area Presbyterians, with the YWCA, Oct. 15-Nov. 3. Contact pastor John asap. Harvest olives in Palestinian fields threatened by land confiscation, experience life of Palestinian people, see religious & historical sites in Israel/Palestine.

INTERACTIVE WORSHIP - next on August 30 - sanctuary stations invite our imagination in self-guided faith journeys. You may help too.

WHOLENESS & HEALING - 1st Wednesday of the next 6 months, beginning August 5, 6-6³⁰pm. As healing was an integral part of Jesus' ministry, so we, as a healing community, will offer worship enacting this ministry. More info, contact elder Doug Olds or pastor John.

ST. JOHN'S AT THE GIANTS - Join us Sunday, August 30 1⁰⁵pm Giants vs. Rockies. Reserve \$14 outfield tickets: Evelyn Ho 422.0662 or eyho@usfca.edu). See our name on the scoreboard!

more @ stjohssf.org

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