



ST. JOHN'S

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

SUNDAY WORSHIP

10^{am} August 9, 2009

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

CELEBRATION

OPEN	Bedeck Thyself, O My Soul, in Gladness by Brahms	Cyril Dyachkov
	O Come Let Us Sing Unto the Lord	Karen Irwin & Choir
WELCOME & STILLNESS		John Anderson
SING*	(*please stand as able) God, Who Stretched vv. all	blue book 268
PRAY	<p>one: Gracious God, we praise you for blessing us with your perfect love in Jesus, your Son, our Lord. He showed us real love through grace and compassion, not just imitating your love, O God, but living it.</p> <p>all: <i>He lived it to the utmost so that we might be empowered by your Spirit to live in love also. We offer our worship and praise in thanksgiving for the gift of Jesus.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>(silent offering of gratitude)</i></p> <p>one: Lord Jesus Christ, as your followers we are shaped by your selfless life - contrary to accepted lifestyles. We admit that we get sucked into such behavior and need your help to realign ourselves with you.</p> <p>all: <i>When our words lack truth - inform us so that we speak the truth - your truth. When our words have been offhand and thoughtless - instruct us so that they bring grace to all who hear.</i></p> <p>one: When we use anger to manipulate or control - direct us with your Spirit that we might handle our anger responsibly.</p> <p>all: <i>Forgive us when our actions lack integrity - mould us with your Spirit so that we deal honestly and ethically. Renew us so that we bring you delight. Refresh us, O Spirit, and make us reflections of Jesus' life, so that we live, love and forgive with compassion.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>(silent accepting of God's grace)</i></p> <p>one: Amen. We are able to be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgive and be forgiven, because Jesus feeds us with his life, given to save and renew us. The good news is that we, in Christ, are new creations; the old has passed away, behold the new has come.</p>	

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

Loving Shepherd of Thy Sheep

COMMUNITY

LISTEN

(The Lord of the language is also the Lord of our listening.)
1 King 19.4-8 (p. 559) Psalm 34 (p. 871)
Ephesians 4.25-5.2 (p. 1822) John 6.35, 41-51 (p. 1657)

ENGAGE

Urgency
"live a life of love, just as Christ loved us & gave himself up for us."
Ephesians 5.2

play-acting

need-assessing

person-building

self-offering

SONG

Seek Ye First vv. All

blue book 333

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 & sign the clipboard. Guests may share as well.)
Joyful Interlude in F by Mawby

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*

*We celebrate the chance to share what we have with those in need.
Bless these gifts, O God, and our lives as we offer them as faithful
disciples of Jesus. He loved us and gave himself for us and invites us to
live in love. Strengthen us to share his love in all we do and say. In
Jesus' name, Amen*

KIDS

COMPASSION

SING*

God of Grace and God of Glory vv. 1, 3, 5

blue book 420

SEND & BLESS*

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

CLOSE

The Rejoicing by Handel

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 - 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), 6³⁰-7^{30pm}. 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, 6³⁰-7^{30pm}, 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), 6⁴⁵-7^{45pm}. See pastor John or just show up. We look at the gospel of John - images and imagination for our lives.

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, August 3, 6³⁰-7^{30pm}, Library. Please confirm with pastor John by 10^{am} of class day. Child care upon request.

HARVEST - Saturdays, 7³⁰-9^{30am} share food with our hungry neighbors. Info: dalewalker@aol.com

ST. JOHN'S CINEMA - Thursday, Sept. 3, 7-8^{pm}, Frontline: Inside the Meltdown What caused the economic crisis & how may it have been prevented? Financial failures, \$700 billion bailouts & the roles of the Treasury & Federal Reserve try to repair the damage. 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.

ST. JOHN'S TOTS - Join us for an adventure in storybook land! We'll meet at Fairyland (www.fairyland.org) in Oakland, Saturday, August 22nd, 10^{am}-12^{pm}. Admission is \$7/person (infants under 1, free). Any questions contact Laura Co (laurajco@comcast.net).

INTERACTIVE WORSHIP - next: Aug. 30, sanctuary stations invite our imagination in self-guided faith journeys. To assist, see pastor John.

WHOLENESS & HEALING - 1st Wednesday of the next 6 months, beginning August 5, 6-6^{30pm}. 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 1^{05pm} Giants vs. Rockies. Reserve \$14 outfield tickets: Evelyn Ho 422.0662 or eyho@usfca.edu). See our name on the scoreboard!

END OF SUMMER RETREAT - Please contact Susanne Dunnigan to join in the fun, icedunnigan@comcast.net or 682-4043. Sept. 18-20, \$125/adults, \$81/kids (6-11) under 6/free, near Auburn (n. Tahoe).

more @ stjohssf.org

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