



# ST. JOHN'S

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

**SUNDAY WORSHIP**

**10<sup>am</sup> October 18, 2009**

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

## CELEBRATION

OPEN	Fantasia-recitative by Stroganov	Cyril Deaconoff
	Surely the Presence of the Lord	Karen Irwin & Choir
WELCOME & CALM		John Anderson
SING*	(*please stand as able) Sing a New Song vv. all	red book 6
PRAY	<p>one: Great and awesome God, creator and source of all life, we worship and praise you. Out of chaos and darkness you spoke the words which brought order, light and life. We marvel at your and glory. Yet, you laid all this aside when you took on human flesh in Jesus Christ.</p> <p><b>all: <i>In him we understand your power and glory, for he revealed that true power is based on empowering others, and that glory is made visible through loving and serving others. We marvel at the depth of your care for us by Jesus' sacrificial life and love.</i></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>(silent offering of gratitude)</i></p> <p>one: Jesus said to his disciples and to us "whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be the slave of all."</p> <p><b>all: <i>Jesus, Friend and Savior, we admit we enjoy power - and need to hear your words about true greatness. Unclog our ears, tenderize our hearts, so we may put others' needs before ours; share, not hoard our gifts; benefit others, rather than our own status. Remind us again that following you means to willingly desire to serve others. Forgive our reluctance to follow you; replace our selfish power-plays with your inclusive love, compassion and humility.</i></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>(silent accepting of God's grace)</i></p> <p>one: Amen. "The Son of Man came not to be served but to serve and to give his life a ransom for many." (Mark 10.45) And so, "he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him." (Hebrews 5.9b) The good news therefore is this: in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.</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

Take It To the Lord In Prayer, by John Helgen

### COMMUNITY

LISTEN

(The Lord of the language is also the Lord of our listening.)  
Job 38.1-7, 34-41 (p. 835) Psalm 104 (p. 940)  
Hebrews 5.1-10 (p.1866) Mark 10.35-45 (p.1571)

ENGAGE

Power Up

"Teacher," they said, "we want you to do for us whatever we ask." Mark 10.35

asking for whatever

drinking to excess

inspiring on site

serving in quantity

SING\*

Be Not Afraid vv. all

red book 72

### 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.)  
Consolation by Liszt

Theresa Cho

AFFIRM\*



DEDICATE\*

*God of grace and truth, receive and bless these gifts which we offer in response to the blessings you bestow on our lives and our world. We dedicate ourselves anew to live witnessing to the love and servanthood of Jesus, in whose name we pray. Amen*

KIDS

### COMPASSION

SING\*

Called As Partners vv. 1, 2, 4

blue book 343

SEND &amp; BLESS\*

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

CLOSE

God, the Almighty by Davidson

### 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, offered every Sunday in back of sanctuary. Help yourself to materials.

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

**FAITH NAVIGATORS** - grades 6-8 in the 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>) Oct. 21 (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, Dec. 7, 6<sup>30</sup>-7<sup>30</sup>pm, 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> Saturday, 8-9<sup>am</sup>, @ Lucky Penny, Geary/Masonic, John Lenox 7521365.

**ALPHABET DINERS CLUB** - Eating our way thru the alphabet. Oct. 22, 7<sup>pm</sup>, @ Taqueria Los Coyotes (Mexican) 3036 16th St. - good food & conversation. Contact pastor Theresa to RSVP. More - stjohssf.org

**GOSPEL BITES** - at the Bitter End Pub (441 Clement, @ 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>) Nov. 4 (1<sup>st</sup> Wednesdays), 6<sup>45</sup>-7<sup>45</sup>pm. 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, Nov. 2, 6<sup>30</sup>-7<sup>30</sup>pm, 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., Nov. 5, 7-8<sup>30</sup>pm, The Times of Harvey Milk - a staunch fighter for gay rights, Milk forged a presence for the city's gay community in city hall. Free. (Views not 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!**

**CHURCH PICNIC** - today 11.45 on, Julius Kahn Park. Provided: burgers, hot dogs, drinks, games & activities.

**BABY SHOWER** - Our kids are still collecting new & slightly used baby items for Sunday School. Give to pastor Theresa.

**KNITTERS** - Beginning Oct 20, 7-8<sup>30</sup>pm, come to a knitting/Bible study. New knitters welcomed. Info: Deb McGuire.

**CLOCKS BACK** - Sunday, November 1 - don't forget to gain an hour!

**CHOIR** - Join choir on Open Anthem Sunday, Nov 1. See Karen Irwin.

On-line tutorial available at [www.karenirwin.posterous.com](http://www.karenirwin.posterous.com)

**WHOLENESS & HEALING** - 1<sup>st</sup> Weds thru Dec, 6-6<sup>30</sup>pm. As healing was an integral to Jesus' ministry, so we also offer healing worship.

**YOUTH** - Nov. 7 Sat. 7-9<sup>am</sup>, share food @ Harvest, see Evelyn & Iain.

**PRESBYTERY** - All welcome to attend Tuesday, Nov. 10, 6-9<sup>pm</sup>, 1<sup>st</sup> Presb. Ch, Berkeley, a lively, thoughtful & perhaps historical meeting as 2 folks declare a "theological departure", concerning gay ordination.

2407 Dana St (Channing Way) - 8 blks from Downtown Berkeley BART

**CHRISTMAS CONCERT** - donations for our music program concert are welcome. For \$60 or more you get a new CD! See Cyril.

more @ [stjohssf.org](http://stjohssf.org)

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

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