



*Reaching Out with Nurturing Love to All God's People*



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February 28, 2016  
Worship 10 am ~ Third Sunday of Lent

**First time here?** We are happy to have you visit with us today and hope that your worship experience is blessed. Please pick up a free visitor bag in the narthex. All are invited for coffee and fellowship in Bowen Hall after the service. **Children with you?** Activity materials for young worshipers are in the entry way. Child care and Sunday School are provided during the service. **Assistance needed?** Feel free to ask. Large print bulletins and hearing devices are available from the ushers.



## **CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP**

*\*One asterisk signifies the congregation stands if able. Throughout the service the **bold type** is spoken by the congregation.*

**PRELUDE**                      “Contemplation” (Tallis Canon)                      *by Richard Purvis*

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**      *(Please sign the red friendship pad and pass it along for the whole pew to sign.)*

**RINGING OF THE CHIMES**

**MOMENT FOR MISSION**                      *Haiti Mission Trip*

**INTROIT**                                      “Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy”  
*from Walker's "Southern Harmony", 1835*

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** *(responsively)*

Missing something?

**Join us in the search!**

Jesus said, “Come to me!”

**We have come in faith.**

What more do you need?

**The Lord has promised unfailing love.**

**Let us worship God!**

**\*HYMN #65**                      “Guide Me O, Thou Great Jehovah”                      *John Hughes, 1907*

**\*CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER** *(unison)*

**Faithful God, you draw near to us in our joy and in our grief, in our hope and in our despair. When we are bowed down, you raise us anew. We shake our heads at others calamity, yet ignore the signs of our own destruction. We turn**

**to you now in search of faith in your healing touch. God of compassion and love, move among us this hour. Forgive us, open our eyes, dispel our fears, and show us the real life of faith you have to offer. We pray this in the name of the Risen One, Jesus the Christ. Amen.**

*\*WORDS OF AFFIRMATION (responsively)*

Like a gardener Jesus tends to us with loving care, waiting patiently for our lives to bear the fruit of faith.

**In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God!**

*\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #581*

*Gloria Patri*

*CALL FOR OFFERING*

*OFFERTORY "There is a Balm in Gilead"*

*Spiritual arr by Calvin Taylor*

*\*DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION*

*PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (Unison)*

*Hymn#451 (Verse 2)*

*FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Isaiah 55: 1-9*

**This is the word of the Lord! Thanks be to God!**

*ANTHEM*

*"Keep God's Light"*

*by Mark Patterson*

*SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 63: 1-8*

**Holy Wisdom, Holy Word, Thanks be to God!**

*SERMON:*

**"The Science of Faith"**

**Rev. Dr Cindy Alloway**

*\*HYMN #438 "Rock of Ages Cleft For Me"*

*PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE (responsively)*

For the people of our world as we struggle with global warming,

**May we share the fullness of faith in Christ.**

For the people of our nations who have lost jobs or homes, or loved ones, we pray...

**May we share the fullness of life in Christ.**

For the people of our world who go to bed hungry tonight, we pray....

**May we share the fullness of faith in Christ.**

For those children of the world who still do not have access to education, we pray...

**May we share the fullness of life in Christ.**

For all the people of the world caught up in violence we pray....

**May we share the fullness of faith in Christ.**

For all those who are suffering from illness and disease

**May we share the fullness of life in Christ.**

For our earth and its creatures who suffer from human abuse and overuse, we pray...

**May we share the fullness of faith in Christ as we pray the prayer our Lord and Savior taught us to pray saying: (The Lord's Prayer) CHORAL RESPONSE**

*\*HYMN #816 "If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee" Thomas Hastings, 1830*

*\*BENEDICTION*

*POSTLUDE*

*"Basse de Trompette" by Louis Marchand*

*Prayer of the People adapted from one posted on the Center of Concern website. <https://www.coc.org>*

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## WORLD DAY OF PRAYER, Friday March 4<sup>th</sup> at Church of the Roses from 1-3 pm

Women, men and children in more than 170 countries and regions will celebrate **World Day of Prayer, Friday, March 4, 2016**. This year, the women of the WDP Committee of Cuba call us into worship considering the words "Receive children, receive me." With these words as backdrop, we are invited to learn about Cuba's history and rich cultural diversity.

The women of Cuba share their stories of tradition, intergenerational wisdom and experiences of God's profound love and acceptance. Through the worship service, we learn of Jesus' profound teaching of acceptance as he states, "*Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs*" (Mk. 10:14-15). As we listen to the women of Cuba throughout the worship service, we are invited to wholly receive others, as Jesus calls us, into the kingdom of God. The Rev. Lindsey Kerr will be our speaker, telling about her recent trip to Cuba.

*Invite your friends, family and communities of faith to join the women of Cuba in prayer and song to support ecumenical efforts toward justice, peace, healing and wholeness. The annual offering supports to work of World Day of Prayer USA and helps meet the needs of families in Cuba and around the world who are victims of many forms of poverty, violence and injustice.*

**World Day of Prayer** is a worldwide ecumenical movement of Christian women of many traditions who come together to observe a common day of prayer each year on the first Friday in March. World Day of Prayer was founded on the idea that prayer and action are inseparable in the service of God's realm. Services begin at sunrise in the Pacific and follow the sun across the globe on the day of celebration. Each year a different country's committee serves as writers of the World Day of Prayer worship service. *Childcare available upon request.*



## PRAYER REQUESTS

*Please include in your prayers  
Those mourning the loss of a friend or family member*

- ❖ Please pray for the family of Rosella Cooper, a longtime prior member, who passed away recently.
- ❖ Please pray for the family of Melissa Jones, who passed away recently.

### *Please pray for those facing health issues*

John Baker	Karla Moberly	Carole Somer
Judy Bello	Sam Imbimbo	Vera Patten
Dan Boland	MaryAnn Iodence	Ed and Fay St. John
David Browne	Ron Kram	Sylvia Turner
Jim Chestnut	Marie Patchin	Ines Teague
Jackie Del Carlo	Albert Reil	Don Utley
Krissy Healy	Alan Reil	
Jim Mason	Pamela Sage	

### *Those serving in our military*

Sgt. David A. Dickens, USAF Jason Morse, US Navy Jason Imbimbo, Coast Guard Lt. Ian Alloway Culver, Lt. Col. David Trowbridge, M.D. is stationed at the Joint Air Force Base Elmendorf-Richardson in Anchorage, Alaska and serves as a Cardiologist with the Alaska Native Medical Center.

*Liturgist: Brian Smith*



***Flowers are given by Kay Young  
in honor of Sara and Gillian's  
third birthday.***

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# UPCOMING EVENTS

## **SUNDAYS**

**TODAY** BOY SCOUT PANCAKE BREAKFAST

**TODAY** BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENINGS after church in the library.

**TODAY** REDWOOD CHORDSMEN FREE COMMUNITY CONCERT 2 PM

**NEW! BIBLE STUDY 8:15 am** *“The Four Gospels”*

**MUSIC MEMORY WORKSHOP 9:00 am** *Learn Ukulele in Sunday School Rm.*

**WORSHIP 10 am**

## **MONDAYS**

**SENIOR EXERCISE 10 am** *in the Rose Rm.*

**PW EVENING BIBLE STUDY 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays at 7 pm**

## **TUESDAYS**

**PW WOMEN 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays Bible Study 10:30 am, Potluck Luncheon 12:15 pm**

## **WEDNESDAYS**

**Wed. 2/17–Wed. 3/16 LENTEN SOUP SUPPER 5:30–6:30 PM** followed by  
**SCIENCE & RELIGION STUDY 6:30–8 PM**

## **THURSDAYS**

**CULTURAL LITERACY RELIGIONS 9:00 am**

**BELLS PRACTICE 6 pm** *and* **CHOIR PRACTICE 7:30 pm** *Welcome!*

**BOOK CLUB 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays at 3:30 pm**

**FAVORITE FILM SERIES 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays at 2 pm**

## **FRIDAYS**

**NOON HOUR OF PRAYER & Encouragement:** *Meditative music and readings.*

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER - MARCH 4<sup>TH</sup> 1–3 pm**



### **VOYAGERS BAKED POTATO BAR**

**SATURDAY, MARCH 12<sup>TH</sup> IN BOWEN HALL**

**Appetizers at 5:30 pm, Dinner at 6:30 pm**

**Come celebrate St. Patrick's Day!**

**Callers will be contacting you. Hosted by Randy and  
Diane Pierce, and Dick and Yvonne Draper**

**“MAY THE ROAD RISE TO MEET YOU”**

