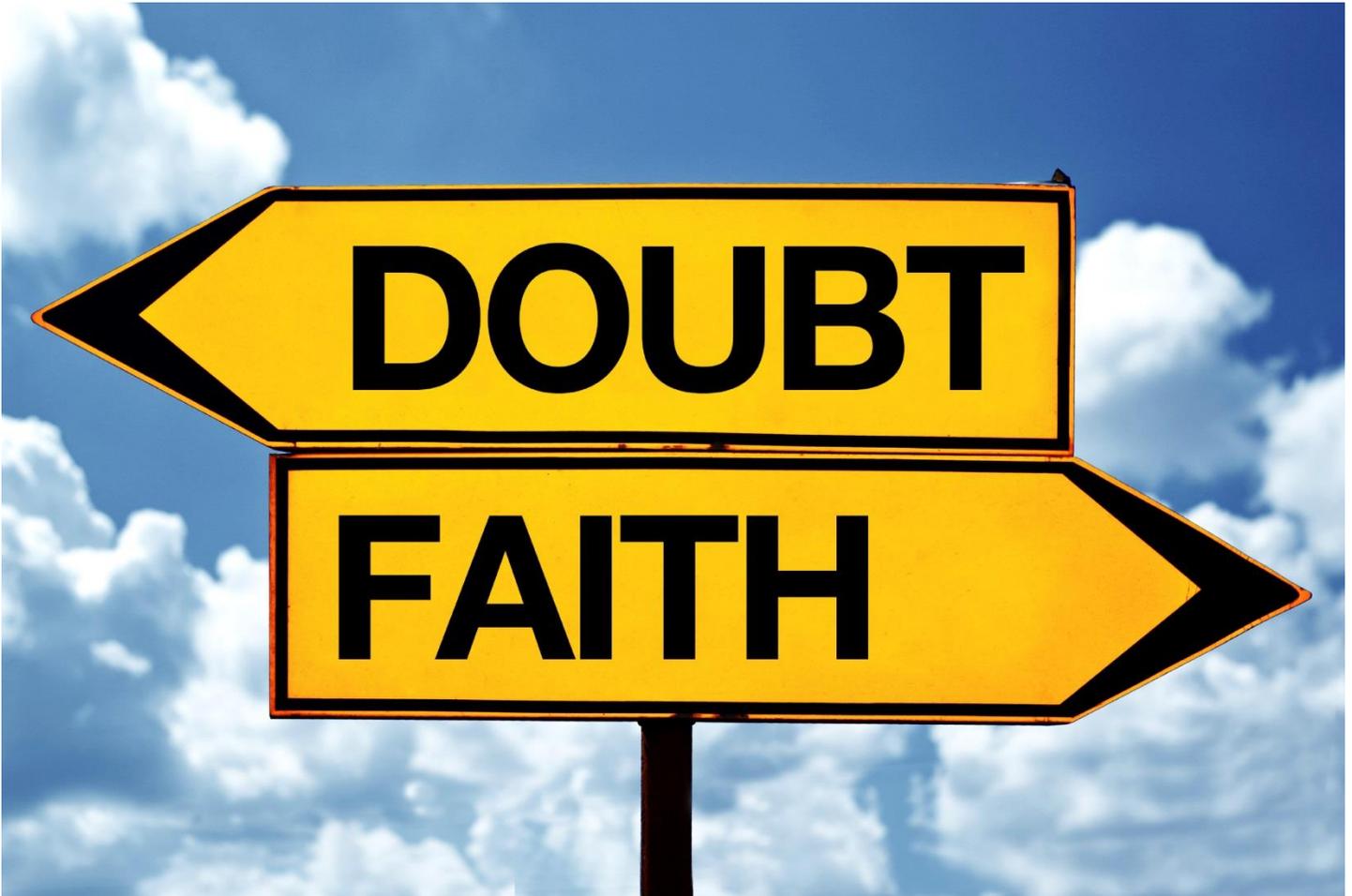


Reaching Out with Nurturing Love to All God's People



April 3, 2016
Worship 10 am
Second Sunday of Easter

***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

“Andante Catabile”

by Charles M. Wider

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

RINGING OF THE CHIMES

INTROIT

“Praise, Praise, Praise the Lord!”

arr. Ralph M. Johnson, 1994

**CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively)*

Long ago, faithful women proclaimed the good news of Jesus' resurrection, and the world was changed forever.

**May our witness be as bold, our love as deep,
and our faith as true. Let us worship God!**

**HYMN#268*

“Crown Him With Many Crowns”

by George Job Elvey, 1868

**CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER (responsively)*

Almighty God, in whom we know the power of redemption, you stand among us in the shadows of our time. As we move through every sorrow and trial of this life, uphold us with knowledge of the final morning when, in the glorious presence of your risen Son, we will all share in his resurrection, redeemed and restored to the fullness of life and forever freed to be your people. Forgive us for being slow to believe and for allowing other influences to distract our faith in you. Give us courage and focus, hope and the power to prioritize you in our lives.

O God, your Son remained with his disciples after his resurrection, teaching them to love all people as neighbors. As his disciples in this age, we offer today our prayers on behalf of the universe in which we are privileged to live and for our neighbors with whom we share it. Amen

**WORDS OF AFFIRMATION (responsively)*

Holy God, you have called and empowered us to follow in the way of your risen Son. Thank you for teaching us to care for our companions on this fragile planet, not only with words of comfort, but with acts of love. **We thank you for your call and for the reassurance that we are forgiven and healed through the power of Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior. Amen**

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #581

Gloria Patri

CALL FOR OFFERING

OFFERTORY “How long has it been?”

by Mosie Lister

*DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison) Hymn#462 (vs.1) “I Love to Tell the Story”
I love to tell the story of unseen things above, of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love. I love to tell the story, because I know ‘tis true; it satisfies my longings as nothing else could do. I love to tell the story; ‘till be my theme in glory to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Revelation 1:4-8

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: John 20: 19-31

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word, Thanks be to God!

SERMON: “God’s Love is Stronger than Doubt”

Rev. Dr Cindy Alloway

ANTHEM

“At the Lamb’s High Feast”

by Lloyd Larson

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise,

O Lord our God, creator and ruler of the universe. By the power of the Holy Spirit we are witness to these things: that you raised up Jesus Christ from the dead and exalted him at your right hand as Leader and Savior of all.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with choirs of angels

with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all the faithful of every time and place who forever sing to the glory of your name:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of

your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!

You are holy, O God of majesty, and blessed is Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. With Thomas we confess that Christ Jesus is our Lord and our God! He breathes on us with the gift of the Spirit, and the power of forgiveness. By the gift of faith we have eternal life in his name.

Remembering your gracious acts in Jesus Christ, we take from your creation this bread and this wine and joyfully celebrate his dying and rising, as we await the day of his coming. With thanksgiving, we offer our very selves to you to be a living and holy sacrifice, dedicated to your service. Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these your gifts of bread and wine, that the bread we break and the cup we bless may be the communion of the body and blood of Christ. By your Spirit, unite us with Christ and with your church in all the world. Make us to be your holy kingdom, your royal priesthood, worshiping and serving you with praise and thanksgiving as we wait for the glorious coming of Christ, the Alpha and Omega.

Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are yours, almighty God, now and forever. (The Lord's Prayer)

Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS Sing Hymn#527 "Eat This Bread, Drink This Cup" as the elements are passed. (Please hold the bread until all are served so we may eat together as a church family. You may drink the cup when it is passed symbolizing your individual relationship with our loving God. Juice is in the center of the trays; gluten free wafers are in the center of the bread plates.)

COMMUNION PRAYER (unison)

God of glory, we give you thanks for this feast of your goodness and grace. Send us out to share the bread of life with all who hunger for your love; through Jesus Christ our living Lord. Amen.

CHORAL RESPONSE

*HYMN #828 "More Love to Thee" by William Howard Doane, 1870

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Postlude on a Ground" by Herbert Murrill



PRAYER REQUESTS

Please include in your prayers

Those mourning the loss of a friend or family member

- ❖ Please pray for the family of Carole Somer, who passed away March 28th.
- ❖ Please pray for the family of David Browne, who passed away February 26th. His memorial will be Saturday, April 30th at 11 am.
- ❖ 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	Alan Reil
Judy Bello	Amy Hulsman	Pamela Sage
Dan Boland	Sam Imbimbo	Barbara Saunders
Jim Chestnut	MaryAnn Iodence	Vera Patten
Jackie Del Carlo	Ron Kram	Ed and Fay St. John
Krissy Healy	Marie Patchin	Ines Teague
Jim Mason	Albert Reil	Don Utley

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: Linda Burille



***Flowers are given by
Christie and Ward Page
in celebration of their 39th
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UPCOMING EVENTS

SUNDAYS

BIBLE STUDY 8:15 am *"The Four Gospels"*

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

TODAY! HAITI ORIENTATION MEETING at 2 pm in Rose Rm.



MONDAYS

STRONGER SENIORS EXERCISE 10 am *in the Rose Rm.* Your body will thank you!

TUESDAYS

PW WOMEN 3rd Tuesdays Bible Study 10:30 am, Potluck Luncheon 12:15 pm

WEDNESDAYS

CULTURAL LITERACY for WORLD RELIGIONS 9:00 am – Five classes remain.
Learn about the faith of Islam. New learners welcome!

WINDJAMMERS LUNCHEON AT SRJC CULINARY CAFÉ Wed. April 13th at 12 pm. Call Beverly Mueller for reservations by April 10th.

THURSDAYS

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

BOOK CLUB 3rd Thursdays at 3:30 pm – April 21st *The Rubaiyat of Omar Khayam.* Poems and Philosophy of the Persian Poet.

FAVORITE FILM SERIES 4th Thursdays at 2 pm – April 28th *Enchanted April.* A month at an Italian Villa changes lives.

FRIDAYS

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

The Voyagers will be volunteering at the Redwood Empire Food Bank on Monday, **April 4 from 5:30-7:00 pm**, followed by dinner and socializing at Kaffe Mocha (Airport Blvd. near the Airport Cinemas). Callers will be contacting you soon. Call or e-mail Diane Osten if you need more information.

From Deacons: Would you be willing to offer a ride to church to another member on Sunday? If so, please contact the office so arrangements can be made to connect you with a rider.



Roses Signature Concert Series

Sunday, April 10
2:00 p.m.

Presbyterian
Church of the
Roses
2500 Patio Court
Santa Rosa, CA
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Doug
Leibinger
Director

Sonoma State University Jazz Band

Proceeds will benefit the Mel Graves Jazz Fund

Admission is free but donations are welcomed.

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Windjammers!

Luncheon at
SRJC Culinary Cafe

Wednesday April 13
12:00 Noon



Please call Beverly Mueller 539-1364 for Reservations
Reservation Deadline Sunday April 10

CHILI COOK-OFF

HAITI MISSION FUNDRAISER

SUNDAY, APRIL 17th at 11:30 am

We are looking forward to everyone joining us that day to help defray the costs of the Haiti mission trip so more people can go. We will be funding a dentist to fix the orphans' teeth and supplying our chicken coop with live chickens! All of this costs money but we know you all are very supportive! **Sign up after church to bring chili, set-up, clean-up, donate an item for the silent auction or share a talent with us!**