



PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH
OF THE ROSES

Reaching Out with Nurturing Love to All People



"Quickly, bring out a robe--the best one--and put it on him;" Luke 15:22b

By artist Guercino (1591-1666) painted in 1619

March 31, 2019
Fourth Sunday in Lent
10:00 am Worship

First Time Here? Thank you for coming! Please pick up a Welcome Bag in the narthex. Please join us for coffee and fellowship in Bowen Hall.

Assistance needed?

Large print bulletins and hearing devices are available from the ushers.

Tip for the Service

*Asterisk means please stand if able.

The **BOLD** is spoken by the congregation. Please sign the red friendship pad in the pews and pass it.

Children with you?

Activity materials for young worshipers are in the entry way. Childcare and Sunday School are provided during the service.

Questions on where to go?

Please ask the Ushers by the doors.

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE *Le Prie – Dieu (A Meditation)* by Old Royale George

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOMENT FOR MISSION One Great Hour of Sharing

RINGING OF THE CHIMES

INTROIT *I Will Arise and Go to Jesus* Southern Folk Melody

*CALL TO WORSHIP (inspired by Luke 15:11-32)

One: Come, let us celebrate the forgiving, reconciling love of God.

All: For once we were lost and felt so far away; now we have been found and welcomed home.

One: Know that God's love is lavished upon you forever.

All: Come, let us celebrate and praise the God of Love!

*HYMN #37 *Let All Things Now Living* Katherine K. Davis, 1939

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

One: God of patient love, you await the return of the wayward and wandering and eagerly embrace them in pardon. Give us generous hearts to welcome all who seek a place at the table of your unconditional love.

All: We inhabit a world that all too easily chooses easy, quick, and violent solutions to brokenness. Empower us to consciously reform this world,

granting us the diligence to be Your nonviolent hands and feet. Let this work begin with a transformation of ourselves, so that we can wholeheartedly do what others claim cannot be done. In Christ's name we pray. Amen

WORDS OF AFFIRMATION

One: God is our eternal parent with an ever-open door for us, even when we lose our way.

All: God's arms always accept us even before we turn to meet your welcome; you invite us to forgiveness even before our hearts are softened to repentance. Alleluia for God's amazing grace! Amen!

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #581 *Gloria Patri*

CALL FOR OFFERING

OFFERTORY *Plaint* by Charles Hutchius

*DOXOLOGY #606 AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

NEW MEMBER RECOGNITION AND VOWS:

Statements about baptism and membership

Introductions – *Karen and Bill Nakata and Debbie Short*

VOWS:

- a) Do you profess your faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior?
- b) Do you renounce evil and affirm your reliance on God's grace?
- c) Do you intend to participate actively and responsibly in the worship and mission of the church?

THE APOSTLE'S CREED

All: I believe in God the father almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into Hell. On the third day he rose again from the dead and descended into heaven and sits on the right hand of God the father almighty from there he judges the quick and the dead. I believe in

the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of Saints the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER FOR NEW MEMBERS

One: We are one with each other, sisters and brothers in the family of God. We rejoice in the spiritual gifts you bring to us. Let us pray:

***All:* Ever-living God, guard these your servants with your protecting hand, and let your Holy Spirit be with them forever. Lead them to know and obey your Word that they may serve you with joy, in this life and dwell with you forever in the life to come through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

CONGREGATIONAL WELCOME

***All:* With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you into Christ's church to share with us in his ministry of faith, love, hope and joy, for we are all one in Christ. Amen.**

PASSING OF THE PEACE

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION *Led by The Spirit*

(to the tune of Hymn #13, "The Mighty God with Power Speaks")

Led by the Spirit of our God, we go to fast and pray
With Christ into the wilderness, we join His paschal way

"Rend not your garments, rend your hearts.

Turn back your lives to me."

Thus says our kind and gracious God, whose reign is liberty

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 32

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

ANTHEM

Here I Am Lord

Dan Schutte; arr. Laura Page

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32 (dramatic reading)

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

SERMON

Lessons from a Prodigal

Rev. Dr Cindy Alloway

Moment for Silent Reflection

*HYMN #2055

You are my Hiding Space

Michael Ledner, 1981

(Sing the Faith Hymnal)

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE

One: Holy and Gracious God. You, the one of prodigal grace. We give you thanks for the gift of life and for the blessings of this life, for family and friends and love abundant.

All: Lead us through the trials the suffering and sorrow, the challenges and struggles, the tired time, despair and bleak places, back to you, and love abundant.

One: Be with those who weep or cannot sleep. Who have no peace, who seek release, and comfort them with love abundant.

All: Fill us with hope, sustained in your mercy, with patience and stamina upheld by your Holy Spirit in your prodigal grace.

One: Transform us and all our broken ways transforms us that we can be made whole; and in wholeness, may we be the hands and heart of Christ who taught us to pray saying:

All: The Lord's Prayer. Amen.

CHORAL RESPONSE

*HYMN #306

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

John Fawcett, 1782

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Voluntary IV

Edited by Richard Peek

Prayer of the People: written by Terri, and posted on RevGalBlogPals. <http://revgalprayerpals.blogspot.ca/>



PRAYER REQUESTS: *Please include in your prayers*

There will be a niche-side service for Marie Patchin on **Friday, April 5th at 11:00 am Santa Rosa Memorial Park, 1900 Franklin Avenue, Santa Rosa.*

The family of Bob and Marge Snater as they mourn his passing on March 21st and her passing on March 10th. **Their memorial will be on Saturday, April 6th at 2:00 pm.*

**The family of Evelyn Radunich as they mourn her passing on March 5th.*

The family of Norm Thornton as they mourn his passing on February 28th. **His memorial will be Sunday, May 5th at 1:00 pm.*

**The family of Cara Kallen as they mourn her passing on February 6, 2019.*

**The family of Larry Kocher who passed away March 16, 2019.*

Those with health issues

John Baker
Jim Bauer
Bill Beaumont
Judy Bello
Barbara Blinn
Carol Browne
Bob Bunting
Patrick Butler
Gwen Christiansen
Wes Cox
Alice Crouch
Kyle Donaldson
Margie Donaldson

Dick Draper
Helen Dunn
Barbara Flannery
Ray Foreaker
Nancy Lee (DIL of Nancy Hansen)
Marilyn Hilen
Tyler Holmes
Jason Montsier
Jessica Morse
Jeanette Nichols
Carolyn Kenworthy
Polly Post

Mickey Marshall
Fred Recknagel
Debbie Seat
Bob Simmons
Jim Taylor Sr.
Dr. Gershom Thompson
Sylvia Turner
Bob Weber
Helen Wikle
Betty Witchey-Ryer
Jill White
Avery Yudice

Those serving in our military

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



*Flowers are given by
Jeanne Nussmeier
in Thanksgiving for the beauty of our
Earth. May we cherish and preserve it.*

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Chelsea Howard, *Sunday School Teacher*
Bajun Mavalwalla II, *Audio-Visual Technician*
Eddie Seamans, *Director of Youth Activities*
Ruth Canniff, *Office Administrator*
Nancy Morgan, *Finance Administrator*
Jami Knuthson, *Receptionist*
Susan Jenkins, *Rosebud Preschool Director*

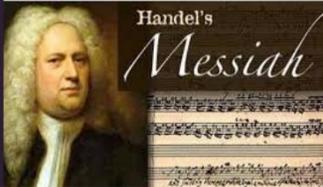
**Soup & Sublime
Wednesdays**

5:30 pm

SOUP SUPPERS

6:30 pm Study:

Handel's Messiah



**EXPLORING
THE GOD IDEA**

FIRST Thursdays 10:15 am - Rose Room
QUESTIONS: Ray Alden or Pastor Cindy

**SACRED
SPACE**

EXPERIENCING THE SPIRIT IN A NEW WAY

FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH
6-7 PM

QI GONG

with Felipa Jones

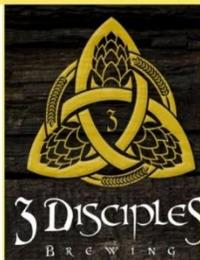
Mondays
@ 11 am



Improve Balance and Reduce Stress

DANCE~CONCERT~ GATHERING

Join the Boomers
@ 3 Disciples Brewing
501 Mendocino Ave.
FRIDAY, APRIL 13
7-11 pm



Have a Rockin Good Time & Benefit the Church!

DURING THE MONTH OF APRIL

TAI CHI

with Roger Wong

Thursdays
@ 11 am



Improve Balance and Reduce Stress

CALENDAR

3/31 Sunday

8:00 AM Korean Worship
9:00 AM Learn Ukulele
10:00 AM Worship
11:15 AM Plan Sacred Space
3:00 PM Spiritual Care for Disabled
6:00 PM CoDA

4/1 Monday

7:00 AM MHS Breakfast
9:30 AM Adult Day Respite Program
11:00 AM Qi Gong
7:00 PM Boy Scouts Troop #135

4/2 Tuesday

7:00 AM MHS Breakfast
8:30 AM Buildings & Grounds
10:00 AM PW Coordinating Mtg
11:30 AM Health Ministry Meeting
12:30 PM Fellowship Committee
1:30 PM Membership Committee
7:00 PM Stephen Ministry

4/3 Wednesday

7:00 AM MHS Breakfast
9:30 AM Adult Social Program
5:30 PM Soup Supper Series
6:30 PM The Messiah - Lent Study
7:00 PM Women's Al-Anon Fam.

4/4 Thursday

7:00 AM MHS Breakfast
10:15 AM Exploring the God Idea
11:00 AM *Tai Chi with Roger Wong*
12:00 PM Committee on Ministry
12:00 PM Noon Hour of Prayer
5:00 PM Worship Committee
6:00 PM Bells Practice
7:00 PM A.A.
7:00 PM Girl Scouts
7:15 PM Choir Practice

4/5 Friday

7:00 AM MHS Breakfast
**11:00 AM Marie Patchin
niche-side service @ Franklin Cem**
4:30 PM Troop 135 Leadership Tr.
7:00 PM Gamblers Anon.
7:00 PM Korean Youth

4/6 Saturday

6:30 AM Korean Prayer
2:00 PM **Memorial for
Bob & Marge Snater**
6:00 PM **SACRED SPACE**

4/7 Sunday

9:00 AM Learn Ukulele
10:00 AM Worship
11:15 AM Plan Sacred Space
3:00 PM Spiritual Care for Disabled
6:00 PM CoDA