

**May 21, 2017: Congregational Meeting to elect members to the Officer Nominating Committee.**

**Committee Meeting This Week**

AC/Steering Committee May 18th (Thursday) at 7:00pm

**PREACHING WITH THE PASTOR**

Join Alison on Monday mornings at 10:00 at Peet's Coffee, 1290 E. Bidwell, as we look together at the Sermon Scripture for the following Sunday. Be there or be square!

Sunday Potluck Brunch  
June 4, 2017

Presentation Topic: Mission Committee Update

Potluck!

Sunday  
after  
church

Our **Prayer Room** (B3) is open Wed, 7:30pm & Sun mornings 8:30am

**BIBLE STUDIES**

Mondays: 7:00-8:30pm @ 1631 Creekside #101, Folsom

Contact: Koos Prins 916-505-1744 "Becoming Adult, Becoming Christian"  
by James W. Fowler

Wednesdays: 10:00am at Church Office

Contact Gloria Davis (310) 654-9359

"When Christians Get It Wrong" by Adam Hamilton

Newcomers welcome!

## Journey Church

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TE=Teaching Elder; RE=Ruling Elder



### Prayer

Seymour Lipton, 1977

**Welcoming all people in the name of Christ  
Expressing the love of God to the World  
Trusting the Power of the Holy Spirit as  
We serve the Kingdom of God**

**Worship 9:00am May 14, 2017**

Rev. Alison Messick-Watkins

**Today's Worship**  
**"Welcome to Journey Church"**  
**Fifth Sunday of Easter**

*"If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it."*

**\*Call to Worship** Janis Jonas

We call upon You, God of Love, and in your arms we seek refuge.

**You lift us up, Holy One, and in your mercy you receive us like little children.**

For you are great and greatly to be praised.

**Your goodness echoes throughout the ages. Let us worship God!**

**\*Opening Prayer**

**\*Hymn "We Sing the Greatness of Our God!"** #338

**\*Unison Prayer of Confession**

**Hear the brokenness of our lives, Precious God. We cover our ears so we cannot hear the cries of those in need, or you urging us to respond. We rush together to defend every issue that matters to us, but quickly disperse when you would call us to be your holy people. We shout as loud as we can to cheer on our sports teams, but can manage only whispers when it comes to sharing the good news. Forgive us, our Eternal God, and do not hold our sins against us. We lay the garments of our foolishness at your feet, so you might clothe us in grace and hope. We would feed on the spiritual food which flows from your heart so we might be strong enough to follow Jesus as he leads us in the Way, the Truth, and the Life.**

Rev. Tom Shuman

**Moment for Silent Prayer**

**\*Assurance of Pardon**

Sisters and brothers in Christ, we have confessed our sins before God.

**God has heard us and has already wiped our slates clean.**

Believe this Good News of the Gospel:

**There is nothing on earth beyond the scope of God's forgiveness!**

**\*Gloria Patri** #142

***\*Passing of the Peace of Christ***

**Welcome and Opportunities  
For Ministry and Service**

Rev. Alison Messick-Watkins

**Children's Message**

**Scripture** New Testament Reading: John 14:1-14

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon** "How Many Times Must I Ask?"

Rev. Alison Messick-Watkins

**\*Affirmation of Faith**

**We believe that our lives are held within the encircling love of God, who knows our names and recognizes our deepest needs. We believe that Christ is the divine Child of the living God, and that his grace is like living waters that can never be exhausted. We believe in the Holy Spirit of God who yearns over our welfare as a mother yearns for her child. We believe that God is in the arid desert as well as in green pastures, and that hard times and disciplines are also loving gifts. We believe that our journey has a purpose and a destination, and that our path leads to a glory we cannot yet imagine. We believe that in the church we are fellow pilgrims on the road, and that we are called to love one another as God loves us. This is our faith and we are humbled to profess in Jesus the Christ. Amen.**

Adapted from Patmos Abbey-The Order of Saint Columba

**\*Hymn "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"** #87

**Offering**

***\*Doxology*** #382

***\*Prayer of Dedication***

**\*Hymn "You Formed Us in Your Image, Lord"**

**\*Charge and Benediction**

**Postlude:** Jennifer Reason

**\*All who are able, please stand.**