FRONT PAGE painting/collage is by the Nigerian artist Olu Amoda.

A Passion – Easter – Ascension altar in one work of art? Not what the artist had in mind. But the nails, the bright living red of victory over death, and a golden rising, ascending gesture towards weightlessness, all lend themselves to such an interpretation. Such is the freedom of the viewer, to bring to all creation his or her own observation, light of understanding and emotional associations.

The artist Robert Ryman once said: 'What painting is, is exactly what people see.'

Below: Sidewalk chalk art on a NYC street



Looking Far Ahead - save the dates

Every four years a North-South Americas Conference is hosted alternately in North and South America. The last conference took place on Vancouver Island in Canada; the next conference will be in Argentina during the last week of July in 2016. For more information, please visit: http://confiad2016.org/en/home/
At Pentecost 2017 there will be a World Pentecost Conference in Rotterdam, the Netherlands. This is a rare opportunity to experience The Christian Community as a world movement.

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PRIEST ABSENCE AND VISIT

Gisela Wielki will be away, February 25 – March 7th Erk Ludwig from San Francisco will fill in during that time. His cell phone # is: (415) 430-5446





Passiontide – Easter - Ascension 2016

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SERVICES

THE ACT OF CONSECRATION OF MAN Sundays at 11:00 AM Thursdays at 9:00 AM Except February 25, March 10

> The Sunday Service for Children Sundays at 10:30 AM Call for dates

PASSIONTIDE

Sunday, March 6

12 Noon light lunch followed by talk
OVERCOMING THE SEPARATION OF THE
WORLDS
Rev. Erk Ludwig, San Francisco

Daily Services during Holy Week March 21 – 26

Monday through Thursday 9:00 AM Good Friday, Holy Saturday 10:00 AM

Good Friday, March 25

7:00 PM Sermon, Reading, Music
'A single great community covers the earth.

Its name is

SUFFERING AND STRENGTH'

EASTER SEASON

Easter Sunday, March 27

10:30 AM Sunday Service for Children
11:00 AM The Act of Consecration of Man
(Childcare provided)
12:00 Noon FESTIVE MEAL
12:45 PM THE JOY OF RISING
A Celebration for Young and Old
Poetry, song, music

THREE CONTEMPLATIONS

12:15 PM following the service

Sunday, April 10
THE SENSE OF WONDER

Sunday, April 24 HEART'S COMPASSION

Ascension Sunday, May 8
THE POWER OF CONSCIENCE

ASCENSION SEASON

ASCENSION DAY, Thursday, May 5 9:00 AM The Act of Consecration of Man

Sunday Study Group at 12:45 PM

After light lunch
April 3, May 1, June 19, July 17
THE SCHOOL OF LEARNING
What does a Learner's permit have to do with salvation?

LOOKING AHEAD

Pentecost Sunday, May 15
12:15 PM Festive Brunch
1:00 PM Special Concert
For the Priests' Retirement Fund
With classical concert pianist
Dr. Willis Glen "Chip" Miller, III

Tell your friends. Not to be missed. More information later

DEAR CONGREGATION

We have a new study group on Sundays with the theme: 'The Gift of Learning'. The first word in the ritual text of the Sacrament of Consultation is 'learn'. In the Sunday Service the children hear that we learn so we can understand and work in the world. The children also hear that Christ is the teacher, the teacher of love. How and what are we to learn in the school of life from each other, from all we do or omit to do, and most of all from the Teacher of Love.

On three Sundays in the Easter and Ascension season a short contemplation will follow the service. Please note the change of format.

Rev Ludwig will visit us again from February 27 – March 8th. He will give a talk on March 6th. Come and enjoy his being with us.

'A spring that is to be noticed by God cannot be confined only to the trees and fields; its power must also enter into human beings. For then it continues to happen, not in time, but rather in eternity, so to speak, and in the presence of God.'

- Rainer Maria Rilke