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| **Aletheia Ministries** Issue 4: May 11, 2014  **Sharing**  **Sharing of Peace** Pastor Paul  ***Pastor***: The Peace of Christ be always with you  **People**: And also with you  **Announcements** Tim Wang  **(Please see the attachment)**  **Offering** Praise Team  **Offering Prayer** Jennifer  **Closing Praise** Praise Team  **Sending**  **Benediction** Pastor Paul  Ministry Leaders  Andy K. (Small Groups and Mission)  Andrew, Micky, Hee Jun, David (Praise)  Jenny, Jong Duk, Andy Y. (Worship)  Jennifer (Finance)  Chris, Stephanie (Activities)  Tim, Young (Communications)  We are proud members of Contra Costa United Methodist Church.  Visit us on our website at: www.aletheiaministry.org |  |  |

Sunday Worship at 2 PM in the main sanctuary. 260 Walnut Avenue Walnut Creek, CA 94598

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*Open hearts. Open minds. Open doors.*

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| **Aletheia Ministries** Issue 4: May 11, 2014  **Gather**  **Praise** Praise Team  **Word**  **A Reading From Acts 2:42-47** Chris  **Reader**: The passage for today is Acts 2:42-47  (Please see the attachment)  **Reader**: This is the Word of God for the people of God  **All**: Thanks be to God.  **The Message** Pastor Paul  http://www.publiblanes.net/fondos/dibus/bart.jpg  BART Encounter |  |  | **Aletheia Ministries** Issue 4: May 11, 2014  **Confession**  **The Apostle’s Creed** Everyone  I believe in God, the Father almighty,  Creator of heaven and earth.  I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  born of the Virgin Mary,  suffered under Pontius Pilate,  was crucified, died, and was buried;  he descended into hell.  On the third day he rose again;  He ascended into heaven,  He is seated at the right hand of the Father,  and he will come to judge the living 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.  **Confession of Sins** Everyone  God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen. |

**Acts 2:42-47**

Those who had been baptized devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

**Sermon Notes for Small Group Discussions:**

**\* Three things that early churches had that made them successful.**

**A. Worship-Gather**

**- Where?**

**- Why?**

**B. Discipleship**

**- How?**

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**C. Wonders and Signs**

**- How?**

**What should we, as a church, focus our energy?**

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| **Announcements**:  **Prayers:**  \* Abducted Nigerian girls  \* Peace in Ukraine  \* WonJun’s health  \* Drought in California  *\** Rebekah’s mission trip from May 26 to June 20  ***Celebrations:***  \* Birthdays:  - Aaron Ting (15); Jason (19); Tom (27); Kwan (28)  \* Graduations:  - Peter; James  ***Communal Activities***:  \* Leaders’ meeting: May 17th; 9am at library  \* SkyHigh: May 23rd  \* Retreat: May 25-26th Inquire with Andy Kim. $15 per person.  \* June 8th is joint worship with KM; 11:15am worship time.  \* 2nd Annual Kickball Tournament (June 28 @ 8:00 AM)  ***Spiritual Gatherings***:  \* Small Groups (varies)  \* Friday Night Meeting: 7:30pm; dinner, praise, and events  ***Mission***:  \* Glide Volunteer work: Jun 7th  Offering for April: $1,485.40 |  |

***Eucharist: (every first Sunday)***

***Presider***: We praise you and we bless you… lifting our voices to magnify you as we say:

***Presider and People***: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory, Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the Highest.

***Presider***: Glory and honor and praise to you… as our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:

***Presider and People***: Lord’s Prayer

***Presider****:* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrifice for us.

***People****:* Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

***Post-communion Prayer:***

**Presider and People***:*

God of abundance,

we give you thanks for uniting us and restoring us in your image.

You have graciously nourished us with spiritual food,

and now, send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed;

that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world

and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.