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| **Aletheia Ministries** Issue 5: May 18, 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** Young  **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)  Aaron Ting (Community Life)  We are proud members of Contra Costa United Methodist Church.  Visit us on our website at: www.aletheiaministry.org |  |  |

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*Open hearts. Open minds. Open doors.*

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| **Aletheia Ministries** Issue 5: May 18, 2014  **Gather**  **Praise** Praise Team  **Word**  **A Reading From 1st Peter 2:2-10** Andy Kim  **Reader**: The passage for today is 1st Peter 2:2-10  (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.formulaenlosnegocios.com.mx/wp-content/uploads/2011/07/coach-empresa.jpg  On our way to Sanctification! |  |  | **Aletheia Ministries** Issue 5: May 18, 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. |

**1st Peter 2:2-10**

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation-- if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture:

"See, I am laying in Zion a stone,

a cornerstone chosen and precious;

and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame."

To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe,

"The stone that the builders rejected

has become the very head of the corner,"

and

"A stone that makes them stumble,

and a rock that makes them fall."

They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

Once you were not a people,

but now you are God's people;

once you had not received mercy,

but now you have received mercy.

**Sermon Notes for Small Group Discussions:**

**Dr. Phil Meynard’s Chart on Christian Maturity:**

**I. A Life of Worship**

**II. A Life of Hospitality**

**III. A life Open to Jesus**

**IV. A Life Obeying God**

**V. A Life of Service**

**VI. A Life of Generosity**

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| **Announcements**:  **Prayers:**  \* Abducted Nigerian girls  \* Safe travels for Jong Duk  \* WonJun’s health  \* Fire and 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, Rhian  ***Communal Activities***:  \* SkyHigh: May 23rd, 7:30pm  \* Lock-In: 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 for May 23rd: SkyHigh  ***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.