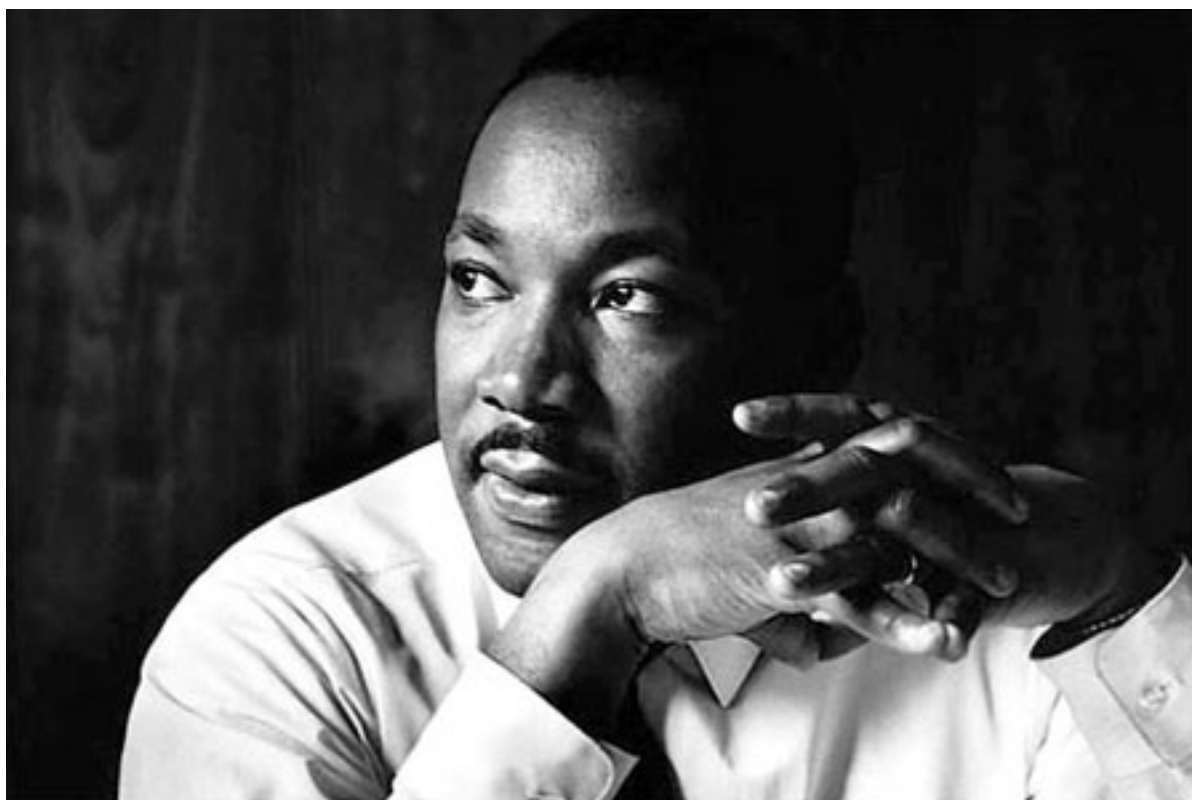


Welcome to  
**St. Michael's University Church**

An inclusive and caring community  
in the heart of Isla Vista



Sunday, January 15, 2023  
In celebration of the life and legacy  
of The Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.



PRELUDE

RINGING OF ISAIAH THE BELL

COLLECT

God is with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray. (The celebrant says the collect, to which the people respond **Amen.**)

WELCOME

SONG: "I Have Been to the Mountaintop"

A storm is coming on, they say  
But you go on anyway

I've looked over and you'll go over  
But you might have to go alone

CHORUS:

I have been to the mountain  
And I have looked to the shore  
I have been to the mountain  
And I ain't gonna' wait here no more

It doesn't matter with me now  
I am fearing no one

I'd like a long life, I know a long life  
Has its place for some  
But I...

CHORUS

## READING: Isaiah 49:1-7

Listen to me, O coastlands, pay attention, you peoples from far away! The Lord called me before I was born, while I was in my mother's womb he named me. He made my mouth like a sharp sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow, in his quiver he hid me away. And he said to me, "You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified." But I said, "I have labored in vain, I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my cause is with the Lord, and my reward with my God." And now the Lord says, who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, and that Israel might be gathered to him, for I am honored in the sight of the Lord, and my God has become my strength-- he says, "It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the survivors of Israel; I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth." Thus says the Lord, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations, the slave of rulers, "Kings shall see and stand up, princes, and they shall prostrate themselves, because of the Lord, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you."

Reader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

## PSALM 40 (Read antiphonally by verse)

1 I waited patiently upon the Lord; God stooped to me and heard my cry.

2 God lifted me out of the desolate pit, out of the mire and clay;  
God set my feet upon a high cliff and made my footing sure.

3 God put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God;  
many shall see, and stand in awe, and put their trust in the Lord.

10 I proclaimed righteousness in the great congregation;  
behold, I did not restrain my lips; and that, O Lord, you know.

11 Your righteousness have I not hidden in my heart;  
I have spoken of your faithfulness and your deliverance;

I have not concealed your love and faithfulness from the great congregation.

12 You are the Lord; do not withhold your compassion from me; let your love and your faithfulness keep me safe forever.

GOSPEL HYMN: "Bless The Lord My Soul"

Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's holy name

Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life

## **GOSPEL: John 1:29-42**

Leader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

John saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, "Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.' I myself did not know him; but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel." And John testified, "I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God." The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!" The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher), "where are you staying?" He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas" (which is translated Peter).

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## GOSPEL HYMN: "Bless The Lord My Soul"

### SERMON



### DIALOGUE

### SONG "If I Can Help Somebody"

If I can help somebody as I pass along  
If I can cheer somebody with a word or song  
If I can help somebody from doing wrong  
Then my living shall not be in vain

My living shall not be in vain  
My living shall not be in vain  
If I can help somebody as I pass along  
Then my living shall not be in vain

## **THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

With trust and hope, we turn our hearts to God in prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, & bring them the joy of your salvation.  
**God of Love, hear the prayers of your people.**

Guide the people of this land and of all the nations in the ways of justice and peace that we may honor one another and serve the common good.  
**God of Love, hear the prayers of your people.**

For the good earth and for the wisdom to live into our interdependence with all of God's creation.

**God of Love, hear the prayers of your people.**

For the serenity to accept the things we cannot change, the courage to change the things we can, and the wisdom to know the difference.

**God of Love, hear the prayers of your people.**

For the good work of this community.

May our roles be uplifted by one another,  
as we do healing work in Isla Vista and beyond.

**God of Love, hear the prayers of your people.**

For what and for whom else would we like to pray today?

(Pause)

For all of these, we pray to God,

**God of Love, hear the prayers of your people.**

## **Prayer Collect**

## **The Peace**

## **Announcements**

**The Offertory:** *After the offering, all who are able stand and sing:*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow

Praise God all creatures here below

Praise God above ye heavenly host

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

## **HOLY COMMUNION**

**Celebrant**      The Lord be with you.  
**People**            And also with you.

**Celebrant**      Lift up your hearts.  
**People**            We lift them to the Lord.

**Celebrant**      Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**People**            It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant        It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Loving God. You have made us a new people in Jesus Christ to show forth your glory in all the world. Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Miriam, Hannah, and Mary, with every nameless and unremembered child of God, and with all the company of heaven, singing:

Celebrant and People sing "Santo, Santo, Santo"

**Santo, santo, santo**  
**Mi corazón te adora**  
**Mi corazón te sabe decir:**  
**"Santo eres, Señor"**

Holy and gracious God:

You made us in your infinite love, and when we turned away from that love, you sent Jesus Christ to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, and to draw us near to you.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, Jesus took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant,

which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ:

**By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and forever. AMEN.**

And now, as Christ has taught us, we pray:

**Our God, who art in heaven,**

**hallowed be thy name**

**Thy kingdom come, thy will be done**

**On earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread**

**And forgive us our trespasses**

**As we forgive those who trespass against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory**

**For ever and ever. Amen**

## **The Breaking of the Bread**

SILENCE

Celebrant  
People

Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

**Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

Celebrant            The Gifts of God for the People of God.  
Everyone is welcome at God's table.

## **Holy Eucharist**

The Body of Christ, the Bread of Heaven. **Amen.**

The Blood of Christ, the Cup of Salvation. **Amen.**

*If you want to receive communion, please join us in a circle. If you would like a blessing, place your arms across your chest. If you would like only bread, please raise your left hand. Our communion bread is gluten free.*

## SILENCE

*Following communion, there will be a period of silence  
marked by the ringing of a bell.*

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Please stand if you are able.

Let us pray.

**Eternal God,  
you have graciously accepted us  
as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,  
and you have fed us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
Send us now into the world in peace,  
and grant us strength and courage  
to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## BLESSING



SONG: "We Shall Overcome"

We shall overcome, we shall overcome  
We shall overcome someday  
Oh, deep in my heart, I do believe  
We shall overcome someday

We'll walk hand in hand...

We are not afraid...

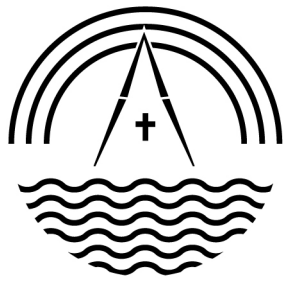
We shall live in peace...

SENDING

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**





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