

Welcome to
St. Michael's University Church

An inclusive and caring community
in the heart of Isla Vista



Sunday, October 17, 2021

PRELUDE

RINGING OF THE ISAIAH 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 “In My Hour of Darkness/Every Grain Of Sand”

CHORUS:

In my hour of darkness
In my time of need
Oh, Lord—grant me vision
Oh, Lord—grant me speed

At the time of my confession, in the hour of my deepest need
When the pool of tears beneath my feet floods every newborn seed
There's a dying voice within me reaching out somewhere
Toiling in the danger and darkness of despair

CHORUS

Oh, the flowers of indulgence and the weeds of yesteryear
Like criminals, they have choked the breath of conscience & good cheer
In the fury of the moment I can see the Master's hand
In every leaf that trembles and in every grain of sand

CHORUS

The Sun beat down upon the steps of time to light the way
To ease the pain of idleness and the memory of decay
Then onward in my journey I come to understand
That every hair is numbered like every grain of sand

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READING: Isaiah 53:4-12

Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted. But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all. He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth. By a perversion of justice he was taken away. Who could have imagined his future? For he was cut off from the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people. They made his grave with the wicked and his tomb with the rich, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth. Yet it was the will of the Lord to crush him with pain. When you make his life an offering for sin, he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days; through him the will of the Lord shall prosper. Out of his anguish he shall see light; he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge. The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities. Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he poured out himself to death, and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

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

People: **Thanks be to God!**

PSALM: 91 (Read antiphonally by verse)

11 God shall give the angels charge over you,
to keep you in all your ways.

12 They shall bear you in their hands,
lest you dash your foot against a stone.

13 You shall tread upon the lion and adder;
you shall trample the young lion & the serpent under your feet.

14 Because you are bound to me in love,
therefore I will deliver you;
I will protect you, because you know my Name.

15 You shall call upon me, and I will answer you;
I am with you in trouble;
I will rescue you and bring you to honor.

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: Mark 10:35-45

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

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

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to Jesus and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." And he said to them, "What is it you want me to do for you?" And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" They replied, "We are able." Then Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared." When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, "You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many."

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

GOSPEL HYMN: "Bless the Lord My Soul"

SERMON

MUSTARD SEED

SONG "Naked As We Came" (Iron & Wine)

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.

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 poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them.

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 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

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**

BLESSING

A SIGN OF PEACE

SONG

“Alabaré”

CHORUS: Alabaré, alabaré,
Alabaré a mi Señor (REPEAT)

Todos unidos siempre cantaremos
glorias y alabanzas al Señor:
Gloria al Padre, gloria al Hijo,
y gloria al Espíritu de amor.

CHORUS

Somos tus hijos, Dios Eterno,
Tú nos has creado por amor
Te adoramos, te bendecimos
y todos cantamos en tu honor

CHORUS

SENDING

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!!!



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