

Welcome to
St. Michael's University Church

An inclusive and caring community
in the heart of Isla Vista



Sunday, August 16, 2020

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:

“I'll Fly Away”

Some glad morning when this life is over
I'll fly away
To a home on God's celestial shore
I'll fly away

CHORUS:

I'll fly away, O Glory, I'll fly away
When I die, Hallelujah, bye and bye,
I'll fly away

When the shadows of this life have flown
I'll fly away
Like a bird thrown, driven by the storm
I'll fly away
CHORUS

Just a few more weary days and then
I'll fly away
To a land where joy shall never end
I'll fly away
CHORUS

READING: Isaiah 56:1,6-8

Thus says the Lord:

Maintain justice, and do what is right,
for soon my salvation will come,
and my deliverance be revealed.

And the foreigners who join themselves to the Lord,
to minister to him, to love the name of the Lord,
and to be his servants,

all who keep the sabbath, and do not profane it,
and hold fast my covenant--

these I will bring to my holy mountain,
and make them joyful in my house of prayer;

their burnt offerings and their sacrifices
will be accepted on my altar;

for my house shall be called a house of prayer
for all peoples.

Thus says the Lord God,
who gathers the outcasts of Israel,

I will gather others to them
besides those already gathered.

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

People: **Thanks be to God!**

PSALM: 67 (Read antiphonally by verse)

1 May God be merciful to us and bless us,
show us the light of your countenance and come to us.

2 Let your ways be known upon earth,
your saving health among all nations.

3 Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.

4 Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide all the nations upon earth.

7 May you give us your blessing, O God,
and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of you.

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: Matthew 15:21-28

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

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

Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly.

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

GOSPEL HYMN: "Bless the Lord My Soul"

SERMON

MUSTARD SEED

SONG

“Tenderhearted”

God bless the tenderhearted who love us face to face
Untempered and unguarded they see through our mistakes
They have lost and been broken more than we will ever know
But it's the tenderhearted who let life overflow

All the pain a world can bring, bruises more than we see
I couldn't take another hit, lights turned off inside of me
So I built a wall around my heart, keep it in to keep it out
And nothing, when surrounded survives but fear and doubt

God bless the tenderhearted who will love us face to face
And share the love and kindness they were given on the way
They have lost and been broken more than we will ever know
But it's the tenderhearted who let life overflow

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 deliverance from all violence, oppression, and degradation.
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 Celebrant continues

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

**Our Father, 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

SONG

“Down by The Riverside”

I'm gonna' lay down my heavy load
Down by the riverside
Down by the riverside
Down by the riverside
I'm gonna' lay down my heavy load
Down by the riverside
and study war no more

CHORUS:

I ain't gonna study war no more,
Study war no more, study war no more
I ain't gonna study war no more
Study war no more, study war no more

Well, I'm gonna meet all of my family...

CHORUS

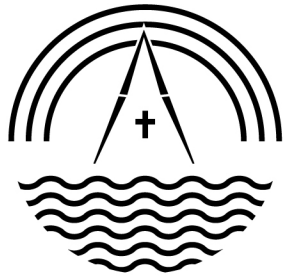
Well, I'm gonna shake hands with everyone...

CHORUS

SENDING

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!!!



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