

Welcome to
St. Michael's University Church

An inclusive and caring community
in the heart of Isla Vista



Sunday, September 19, 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

“Woke Up This Morning”

Woke up this morning with my mind standing on Jesus
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Hallelu- Hallelu- Hallelu- u- jah

Singing and praying with my mind set on freedom
Singing and praying with my mind set on freedom
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Hallelu- Hallelu- Hallelu- u- jah

Walking and talking with my mind set on freedom
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READING: Jeremiah 11:18-20

It was the Lord who made it known to me, and I knew;
then you showed me their evil deeds.
But I was like a gentle lamb
led to the slaughter.
And I did not know it was against me
that they devised schemes, saying,
"Let us destroy the tree with its fruit,
let us cut him off from the land of the living,
so that his name will no longer be remembered!"
But you, O Lord of hosts, who judge righteously,
who try the heart and the mind,
let me see your retribution upon them,
for to you I have committed my cause.

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

People: **Thanks be to God!**

PSALM: 54 (Read antiphonally by verse)

- 1 Save me, O God, by your Name;
in your might, defend my cause.
- 2 Hear my prayer, O God;
give ear to the words of my mouth.
- 3 For the arrogant have risen up against me,
and the ruthless have sought my life,
those who have no regard for God.
- 4 Behold, God is my helper;
it is the Lord who sustains my life.
- 7 For you have rescued me from every trouble,
and my eye has seen the ruin of my foes.

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 9:30-37

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

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

Jesus and his disciples passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again." But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him. Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, "Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me."

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

GOSPEL HYMN: "Bless the Lord My Soul"

SERMON

MUSTARD SEED

SONG "Here's To You" (by Ennio Morricone & Joan Baez)

Here's to you, Nicola and Bart
Rest forever here in our hearts
The last and final moment is yours
That agony is your triumph

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 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

A SIGN OF PEACE

SONG

“We Are Children of the Lord”

We are all children here in God's kingdom
We are all children of the Lord
Some are small winners
Some are big losers
We are all just children of the Lord

As we grow older, as we live younger
We are all children of the Lord
Some are fast movers
Some are slow changers
We are all just children of the Lord

We are all children here in God's kingdom
We are all children of the Lord
Some are cold turkeys
Some are hot doggies
We are all just children of the Lord

We are all children here in God's kingdom
We are all children of the Lord
Some are hard hitters
Some are soft servers
We are all just children of the Lord

SENDING

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!!!



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