

# WORSHIP BULLETIN

April 14, 2013

Third Sunday in the Season of Easter

*(The Season of Easter explores experiences of the Risen Jesus  
and the meaning of resurrection in our lives and our world.)*



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# ORDER OF SERVICE

## WE GATHER TO PRAISE GOD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Michael

RINGING OF THE BELL TO OPEN OUR HEARTS TO GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP

SONGS OF PRAISE

*Amen, We Praise Your Name*

**Amen! We praise your name, O God!**

**Amen! We praise your name, O God!**

**Amen, Amen! Amen, Amen!**

**Amen! We praise your name, O God!**

*Repeat*

*Woke Up This Morning*

### Choir

Woke up this morning with my mind stayed on gratitude.

Woke up this morning with my mind stayed on gratitude.

Woke up this morning with my mind stayed on gratitude.

Hallelu, hallelu, Hallelujuah!

### All

**Woke up this morning with my mind stayed on Jesus.**

**Woke up this morning with my mind stayed on Jesus.**

**Woke up this morning with my mind stayed on Jesus.**

**Hallelu, hallelu, Hallelujuah!**

**Woke up this morning with my mind stayed on freedom.**

**Woke up this morning with my mind stayed on freedom.**

**Woke up this morning with my mind stayed on freedom.**

**Hallelu, hallelu, Hallelujuah!**

## WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

NEW TESTAMENT READING "The Story of Saul" Acts of the Apostles 9: 1-21  
(*The Message Version*, adapted)

One: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

Many: Amen.

MUSICAL RESPONSE *Refuge and Strength* Choir  
arr. Mark Hayes

TIME WITH YOUNG PEOPLE "A Changed Heart" Pastor Michael

**Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah!**

**Halle, halle, hallelujah! Hallelujah, hallelujah!**

*Repeat*

MESSAGE "Getting Knocked off Your Feet" Pastor Michael

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

SONG RESPONSE *Amazing Grace*  
*New Century Hymnal, #547*

**Amazing grace, how sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me.  
I once was lost, but now am found, was blind but now I see.**

**'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear and grace my fear relieved.  
How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed.**

**Through many dangers, toils, and snares, I have already come.  
'Tis grace that brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.**

**My God has promised good to me, whose word my hope secures.  
God will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.**

**When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,  
We've no less days to sing God's praise than when we'd first begun.**

## COMMUNITY AFFIRMATION

*(From the Covenant of the Women's Interfaith Institute for a Holocaust Tour.)*

One: We join together as the Body of Christ, empowered by the Spirit, saying:

**Many: We will be together.**

**We will stand as brothers and sisters given life by one God.**

**We will watch out for one another.**

**We will listen to what needs to be said in a spirit of compassion.**

**We will respect the power of silence.**

**We will wait for the slowest.**

**We will sooner or later catch up with the fastest.**

**We will dry the tears of those who are weeping  
and know that they will dry ours when the time comes.**

**We will let ourselves begin to feel at least a little of the pain  
of those we have considered our enemies.**

**We will entrust our stories to each other.**

**We will not be skeptical that peace can come.**

**We will not forget the joy of life. We will not forget to be grateful.**

**We will do our best to stir in each other hope, courage, and faith.**

PRAYERS OF JOYS AND CONCERN    Sung Response: Hear our prayer, O God

## PASTORAL PRAYER

## THE PRAYER OF JESUS

*(Use these words or words familiar to you.)*

**Our Creator 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 sins as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

## THE OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY

*My Faith Looks Up to You*

David Braceros

## SONG OF THANKS AND PRAISE

*From All Who Dwell Below the Skies*

**From all that dwell below the skies let the Creator's praise arise;  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Let the Redeemer's name be sung,  
And Holy Spirit, three in one. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

## WE GO OUT TO SERVE GOD

### COMMISSIONING FOR ALL

One: God sends us forth—

**Many: with changed hearts,**

One: and changed minds,

**Many: to bring the Way of New Life to a world in need!**

### PARTING SONG

*I Am the Light of the World*

*(The song leader introduces the refrain. Then all sing it and repeat it after each verse.)*

#### Refrain

**“I am the light of the world! You people come and follow me!”  
If you follow and love you’ll learn the mystery  
Of what you were meant to do and be.**

#### Song Leader

To find the lost and lonely one, to heal the broken soul with love,  
To feed the hungry children with warmth and good food,  
To feel the earth below, the sky above! **Refrain**

To free the prisoner from all chains, to make the powerful care,  
To rebuild the nations with strength of good will,  
To see all God’s children everywhere! **Refrain**

To bring hope to every task you do, to dance at a baby’s new birth,  
To make music in an old person’s heart  
And sing to the colors of the earth! **Refrain**

### BLESSING

PASSING THE PEACE IN SONG

*Shalom To You*

*(Shalom is a Hebrew word meaning Peace. During this sharing of peace, we link hands and raise them during the final line.)*

**Shalom to you now, shalom, my friends.  
May God's full mercies bless you, my friends.  
In all your living and through your loving,  
Christ be your shalom, Christ be your shalom.**

GOING FORTH MUSIC

*Jesus Saves*

David Bracerros

# WELCOME

**Join us after worship** for coffee and conversation in the back of the sanctuary. Join us every Sunday before worship in **Café Esperanza** in the youth building.

**Child care** is available beginning at 9:45am in the pre-school building for children six weeks through six years of age.

**Our children's program**, Sunday Adventure, begins following Pastor Michael's *Time with Young People* in Worship. Children may be picked up in the Fellowship Hall. For more information, contact Rob Brittain, Director of Student Ministries, at 522-7244 or [studentministries.collegeavenue@gmail.com](mailto:studentministries.collegeavenue@gmail.com).

**For assistance in the office** during the week or to have a **prayer request listed** in our Weekly email *Update*, contact Michele Logue, Administrative Assistant, at 522-7244 or [office@cacc-ucc.org](mailto:office@cacc-ucc.org).

**Digital worship bulletin available for smartphones online** at [www.cacc-ucc.org](http://www.cacc-ucc.org) (use passcode: 2095227244).

## Today's Worship Leaders

Worship Host & Preacher

Rev. Michael Schiefelbein ([pastor@cacc-ucc.org](mailto:pastor@cacc-ucc.org))

Choir Director

David Braceros

Choir Accompanist

Andrea Duroy

Readers

Linda Collins, Bob Moore, Michael McCarren

Greeter

Patti Canoles

Ushers

Mel Nomann and John Crabb

Sound Tech

Dave Hoberg

**Recordings of Sermon and Sunday Service** are available on our church website!

If you missed church or want to refresh your memory, access our website at <http://cacc-ucc.org>. Click on "Worship" from the drop-down menu and select "Audio Recordings."

**Want to dedicate our worship flowers in honor or memory of someone special?**

Contact Michele Logue at [office@cacc-ucc.org](mailto:office@cacc-ucc.org) or call 522-7244. The suggested donation for dedicating flowers is \$25. You can put the donation in the offering plate, with the notation, "Flower Dedication" on the envelope or check. Or bring or mail it to the office. Dedications will be posted in the weekly bulletin. Dedication money goes toward choir microphones for our recordings of the worship services.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Buy Tickets for *The Bus* at the Scrip Table**, after worship today. This Gallo Center play is about two gay teens in love, their families, and a church. Performance on Friday May 3, 8pm. PG-13. \$20 for adults, \$10 for youth under 18.

**UCC Mountain Valley Association Gathering**, today, 3pm, United Congregational Church of Lodi. Featuring “Mission 4/1 Earth Program.” All are welcome!

**Junior U-Nite! Youth Group**, tonight, 6pm, Youth Room. For young people, grades 5th-8th.

**Quilters Workshop**, Wednesday, April 17, 10am, Fellowship Hall.

**Stewardship Team Meeting**, Wednesday, April 17, 7pm, Fireside Room.

**Lay Care Team Meeting**, Thursday, April 18, 12:15pm, Pastor Michael's office.

**Renewal Team Committee Meeting**, Thursday, April 18, 1pm, Fireside Room.

**Membership & Connection Team Meeting**, Thursday, April 18, 2pm, Fireside Room

**Worship Team Meeting**, Thursday, April 18, 6pm, Fireside Room.

**Choir Rehearsal**, Thursday, April 18, 7pm, Sanctuary.

**Crop Walk to Feed the Hungry**, Saturday, April 20, 10am, Geneva Presbyterian Church, 1229 East Fairmont, Modesto. Brochure with details on the table in back of the Sanctuary. Come out and walk!

**Spare-the-Air Sunday**, Sunday, April 21. Bike or walk to church. See how many bikes we can park in our Sanctuary, where they will be blessed for helping us to spare the air! Part of “Mission 4/1 Earth,” involving United Church of Christ churches everywhere!

<b>Congregational Giving – March</b>			
Pledged Giving:	\$18,165	(Pledges Due: \$14,040)	
Other Offerings:	\$3,801	Special Offerings	\$895
Building Use:	\$1,500	Inter-Faith Ministries:	\$235
<b>Total Income:</b>	<b>\$23,466</b>	<b>Total Outreach Giving:</b>	<b>\$1,132</b>
<b>Total Expenses:</b>	<b>\$18,144</b>	<b>YTD Surplus</b>	<b>\$7,621</b>

*(Note: this is a correction of the March Financial Report in the Weekly Update.)*