

New to our church? We're so glad you're here!

To celebrate, we'd love to pledge a \$5 donation on your behalf to a charity of your choice. Supporting other non-profits is something we do every week, and we'd love to include you in that practice. **Simply scan the QR code and fill out the form!**

Prelude The Z Trio

Welcome Rev. Jessica Vacketta

↑ Call to Worship Carole Melis

Leader: In every age and generation,

All: God raises up saints who show us the way.

One: In sorrow and in joy, in struggle and in hope,

All: They have loved as Christ loved.

One: Now their voices join with ours—

All: A great cloud of witnesses singing glory.

One: So come, beloved—you are not alone.

All: We gather together, surrounded by love that will not let us go

For all the saints who from their labors rest, who to the world their steadfast faith confessed. Your name, O Jesus, be forever blessed. Alleluia! Alleluia!

You were their rock, their refuge and their might; you, Christ, the hope that put their fears to flight; 'Mid gloom and doubt, you were their one true light. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Still may your people, faithful, true, and bold,
Live as the saints who nobly fought of old,
And share with them a glorious crown of gold. Alleluia! Alleluia!

A Lesson for All Ages: The Light of the Saints

Rev. Jessica Vacketta

Children of all ages are invited to come forward and share in "The Light of the Saints."

† Sharing the Peace

Rev. Álvaro Durán

During the Peace, **children (4th grade and younger)** and **youth (5th-8th grade**) are invited to attend our faith formation programs in the Christian Education Building by exiting out the back door of the Sanctuary with our adult program leaders. Parents/guardians are welcome to accompany kids to help them get settled. Children and youth are most welcome to remain in the service if they would prefer. Activity baskets with goodies for our younger kiddos can be found in the entry hall (Narthex) at the Kids Table. We're glad you're here! After worship, kids can be picked up in their program room or Kloss Hall at Coffee Hour.

Prayer Meditation *Come and Fill Our Hearts With Your Peace*Taizé

Come and fill our hearts with your peace. You alone, O God, are holy.

Come and fill our hearts with your peace. Alleluia!

Congregational Prayer

Rev. Álvaro Durán

In Unison (This beloved prayer, often referred to as the "Lord's Prayer," has been adapted and translated countless times over the centuries. While we've provided two options below, we encourage you to use any version that resonates with 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the Kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Padre nuestro que estás en el cielo, santificado sea tu Nombre, venga tu reino, hágase tu voluntad, en la tierra como en el cielo. Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día. Perdona nuestras ofensas, como también nosotros perdonamos a los que nos ofenden. No nos dejes caer en tentación y líbranos del mal. Porque tuyo es el reino, tuyo es el poder, y tuya es la gloria, ahora y por siempre. Amén.

Invitation to Offering

Mission Hospice

Anthony Lupian

Founded in 1979 by local residents, Mission Hospice is an independent nonprofit organization providing end-of-life care, grief support, and education for patients and families. Working as a team, their specially trained nurses, doctors, social workers, spiritual counselors, and volunteers help patients and families throughout the stages of a life-limiting illness. Mission Hospice helps patients with serious illness live life to the fullest as they address physical, emotional, and spiritual needs, whether in patients' homes, assisted living or skilled nursing facilities. They are committed to providing compassionate care to all patients and families.

Give to CCSM with ease!

- **Church Center App:** Download the new Church Center App, tap the "Give" icon at the bottom of the homescreen, add your amount, tap next and select "Plate."
- **Scan the QR code** to make a gift to the plate offering or the General Fund.
- Offering Plate: Place your cash or check in the offering plate.
 For checks, note on the memo line where you'd like the funds directed.
- **Online Giving:** Visit CCSM's **ccsm-ucc.org/give/** and click the blue "Give" button.
- Mail: Send a check to the church office. (225 Tilton Ave, San Mateo, CA 94401)

In addition to our plate offering, we gratefully accept gifts to our General Fund at any time.

Offertory The Z Trio

Jesus raised his eyes to his disciples and said: "Happy are you who are poor, because God's kingdom is yours. Happy are you who hunger now, because you will be satisfied. Happy are you who weep now, because you will laugh. Happy are you when people hate you, reject you, insult you, and condemn your name as evil because of the Human One. Rejoice when that happens! Leap for joy because you have a great reward in heaven. Their ancestors did the same things to the prophets.

Common English Bible

But how terrible for you who are rich, because you have already received your comfort. How terrible for you who have plenty now, because you will be hungry. How terrible for you who laugh now, because you will mourn and weep. How terrible for you when all speak well of you. Their ancestors did the same things to the false prophets.

But I say to you who are willing to hear: Love your enemies. Do good to those who hate you. Bless those who curse you. Pray for those who mistreat you. If someone slaps you on the cheek, offer the other one as well. If someone takes your coat, don't withhold your shirt either. Give to everyone who asks and don't demand your things back from those who take them. Treat people in the same way that you want them to treat you."

Homily Rev. Jessica Vacketta

Lighting of Remembrance Candles & Invitation to and Receiving of Communion*

*ALL, and we really mean all, are welcome to share in the celebration of communion. Please join us in coming forward down the center aisle to receive bread (gluten-free available) and juice. For those unable to come forward, communion will be brought to you. Kindly dispose of empty cups in the small bins at the end of the first pew as you return to your seat.

Instrumental Meditation

The Z Trio

Unison Prayer

Let us pray... Thank you God for the gift of those who have gone before us. For the lives we shared, for the memories we have, for the promise that your spirit connects today, tomorrow, and forevermore. We commit to continue their legacy of being the hands and feet and face of you in this world. In the name of the risen Christ we pray, Amen.

I sing a song of the saints of God, faithful their whole lives through,
Who bravely labored, lived, and died for the God they loved and knew.

And one was a doctor, and one was a queen, and another a shepherd in pastures green:
They were saints of God, if you know what I mean. God, help me to be one, too.

They loved their God and they lived that love. It was loving that made them strong.

They did what was right, for Jesus' sake, lived justly their whole lives long.

And one was a prophet, and one was a priest, and another was slain by a fierce wild beast;

There is no earthly reason, none in the least, why I shouldn't be one, too.

They lived not only in ages past, there are hundreds of thousands still.

The world is filled with living saints who choose to do God's will.

You can meet them in school, on the road, or at sea, in a church, in a train, in a shop, or at tea:

For the saints are folk like you and like me, and I mean to be one, too.

†Benediction Rev. Jessica Vacketta

Postlude

Oh When the Saints Go Marching In

Tommy Occhiuto

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Special Thanks to those helping with today's service:

Our Liturgical Arts volunteers: Laura Pierce-McKenzie and Kay Harris
Our Coffee Hour Hosts: Teresa Gebler and Gail Held
Our musicians leading worship: Don Harper, Tommy Occhiuto, and the Z Trio:
Chris Yeh (violin), Marty Lee (viola), and Amy Brooks (cello)
Our Communion preparation team: Ruth Dizon and Chona Tendero



Join us in Dreaming God's Dream! Make your Estimate of Giving pledge today and help invest in CCSM's ministry and mission. We have 48 who have pledged so far, totaling \$224,120. Our 2026 Goal is \$560,000 in pledges. Scan the QR code or fill out a pledge card (found in your pew or at the Welcome Table in the Narthex). Cards may be returned to an usher or the CCSM office (Attn: Cheryle Matteo)



- We Remember These Saints Today -

Jan Agosta, dear friend of Melodie Lew, 2025 Constance Amata, Louisa Shaul's mother, 2024 Mike Armacost, 2025

Gary Baker, 2025

Sally Bayley, Peter Bayley's mother, 2025 Ruth Black, 2025

Mary Ann Clifford, Dawn Graves' relative, 2025 Amber Cords, Greg Graves' niece, 2025 Jym Clendendin, CC Riders member, 2024 Bill Daniels, 2025

Cliff Donley, Patricia Donley's husband, 2025 Rev. Beth Fryberg, Burlingame Presbyterian Pastor, 2025 Dorothy Gorman, 2025

> Les Goulden, Dave Goulden's father, 2025 Rodney Graham, Valerie Leung's uncle, 2025

Meagan Hatcher's mother, CCSM's Innovation Lab Leader, 2025 Judith Holcomb, dear friend of Angela and Robert Cross, 2025 David Kensinger "Junior Squirt", dear friend of Diane Kalliam, 2025

> Richard Kogl, Dorothy Kogl's husband, 2024 Alice Littler, dear friend of Tony Gallo, 2025 Richard Longmire, Betsy Woodward's uncle, 2025 Kirk Meganheimer, Betsy Woodward's nephew, 2024 Bill Melis, 2024

Peter Ossulston, dear friend of Angela Kraft Cross, 2025 Cari Parker, 2025

Deanna Riding, 2025

Linda Vacketta, Rev. Jessica's grandmother, 2025
Rev. Joanne VerBurg, Matthew Bunn's childhood minister, 2025
Genevieve West Parsons, Tina Schulkamp and JW Lowrie's aunt, 2025
Betty Yeh, Chris Yeh's mother, 2024
Lorraine, dear friend of Laure Pierce McKenzie, 2025
Annie, Nancy and Jerry Nugent's niece, 2025
Sue, Michele Hale's cousin

Paul, Rylee Corradini's father, 2025

Justin Brown, June & Tony Brown's son, 1986 Katherine Grace Chiappari Saucedo, Ricardo Saucedo's wife, 2022 Joan Daschbach, saint to Julien Phillips
Doris Godinez-Phillips, saint to Julien Phillips
Judith Hemmer, dear friend of Stan Higgs, 2018
Steve Hitchcock, Julie Hitchcock's husband, 2011
Edith Morris, saint to Julien Phillips
Jeanne Neal, Sue Bullis' cousin, 2024
Kyle Neil, 2022

Mary Ann Notz, 2024

Joe Pausner, Anne Anderson's husband, 2024
Melville Peterhans, Laura Peterhan's brother, 2024
Diane Phillips, Julien Phillips' wife, 2007
Thor Sjostrand, Julie Hitchcock's son-in-law, 2014
Gary Steele, 2023
Susie, Genel Morgan's friend, 2024

Joys and Concerns

Each week, the pastoral care team gives prayerful attention to the congregation's joys and concerns. Many of these come with a request to hold the contents in confidence; therefore, they are not published below. The wonderful thing about prayer is one doesn't need a specific reason to lift another in the light of love and care. Join us in holding the named and unnamed in God's light and love. Prayers will be listed below for two weeks, unless otherwise requested.

Recent Prayer Requests:

Greg Graves requests prayers for his family's matriarch, **Roberta Raffety**, who passed away at 93 years old in Binger, Oklahoma.

Genel Morgan asks for continued prayers for her family member **Lindsay** who will be having surgery soon and follow up treatment. Please pray for a good outcome and support for her family at this difficult time.

Prayers for **Reverend Jorge Bautista** as he recovers from injuries and trauma sustained in the protest at the Coast Guard Station in Alameda last week.

Ongoing prayer requests:

Continuing prayers for our beloved siblings: Joaquín, Nadia Hernández father; Paul Nieberding; Heather Morgan; Sanjana, friend of Susan & Warren Long; Mike and Lee Mullery's nephew, Wally; Lynn and Paul Nieberding; John, Sharon Tobin's son; Renato Floresca; Lynne and Peter, friends of Lynn Nieberding; Chona Tendero's friend, Feljohn Rancap; Aprille Espinuevas, friend of Robert and Johann Leung; Lani Leydig; Cheryl Granucci; Allison Rock and Chris Wuthmann's friend, Karen; Veril Phillips and Bev Knowlton; Mike and Lee Mullery; George Vail; Dottie Scott; Don and Jonathan's brother, Chuck Ruthroff; Caroline Reinke.

Bulletin Board

If you wish to have an announcement added to the "Bulletin Board," please email Chase at cmontara@ccsm-ucc.org

CCSM & YOU: New Member Lunch, Sunday, November 9, 12:00–2:00 pm • Whether you're new to CCSM or have been around a while, come learn more about our church, explore ways to get involved, and explore why membership might be the right step for you. No pressure, just connection and conversation! Contact Alison Schwandt to learn more or RSVP, <u>alisonschwandt@gmail.com</u> —we'd love to welcome you more fully into the life of our church!

Our Home Same Mateo Rally: The fight for renter protections is now more critical than ever, as the Council's prior rejection and worsening federal actions have impacted low-income and Latino communities. Please rally with us on November 11 at 6pm here at CCSM as the City Council revisits evictions to demonstrate our collective determination and urge them to enact measures that keep renters in their homes.

Interfaith Movement for Human Integrity Benefit Concert: This annual concert on November 13th at 6:30pm in Berkeley unites musicians, poets, and storytellers to inspire hope and solidarity, reminding us that love and community are our strongest response to fear and division. Attend this evening of

powerful music and storytelling to be renewed and support CCSM's ongoing work for immigrant justice and dignity through IM4HI. Learn more or purchase tickets at bitsubscuperscripts.

Thanksgiving Potluck Service: Join us for a special bilingual Thanksgiving Potluck Service led by Revs. Jessica and Álvaro on **Wednesday, November 26, at 7:00 pm** in Kloss Hall and the Buckham Room. It will be an intimate gathering around tables to share prayers, break bread, and express gratitude for our year of blessings. The church provides the turkey; please bring a favorite side dish or dessert to share!

Family Tree Lighting Festival, November 30, 5-7pm: CCSM's Advent Tree Lighting Festival is coming! Let's kick off the Advent season with our neighbors in true CCSM style — with chili, cocoa, carols, cookies, and crafts. Join in the countdown to our tree lighting at 6 PM. It's the perfect way to welcome the season of hope and light — bring your family, invite your friends, and come celebrate!

Seeds of Gratitude Table, Sundays After Church • Kloss Hall • The Spiritual Life Committee invites you to stop by and write a note of gratitude to someone who's made a difference in your life.

Sign up to Co-Host Happy Coffee Hour: Thank you to our Happy Coffee Hour hosts for strengthening our CCSM community! We still need 5 hosts for the 2025 schedule on: November 30 (2) and Dec 21 (1), 28 (2). Please sign up by emailing Melodie Lew (<u>boygie.m2000@yahoo.com</u>).

Support Sunday Youth Faith Formation: Join us to co-lead youth group, participate in exciting children's activities, or lend a hand preparing a light meal on Sunday evening (every Sunday 4 - 6:30pm). If you're interested in volunteering, please email Kibbie Ruth (<u>kibbie@kyros.org</u>) or Rev. Álvaro (<u>alvaro@ccsm-ucc.org</u>).

Calendar visit ccsm-ucc.org/events for the full calendar of events and meetings

Below is a snapshot of this week's events, meetings, and activities. For more information—or to add something to the calendar—please reach out to the event host or contact Chase Montara at cmmontara@ccsm-ucc.org

Sunday, November 2

9:45 - 10:15 AM **Joyful Noise Children's Choir**, Fireplace Room; contact Julie Berk, teacherjulie7@gmail.com

10:30 - 11:30 AM All Saints Worship Service in person and online (FB and YouTube)

10:45 - 11:30 AM Youth & Children's Programs, CE Building

11:30 AM - 12:30 PM **Coffee Hour**, Kloss Hall

4:00 - 6:30 PM Sunday Evenings Together: Children & Youth Program, Kloss Hall & CE Building

Monday, November 3

4:00 - 6:00 PM Samaritan House Meal Service, Kloss Hall

Tuesday, November 4

10:00 - 11:00 AM Men's Coffee Group, San Mateo Central Library on 3rd floor balcony; contact Peter Held,

paheld1417@gmail.com

4:00 - 6:00 PM **Samaritan House Meal Service**, Kloss Hall

Wednesday, November 5

4:00 - 6:00 PMSamaritan House Meal Service, Kloss Hall7:00 - 8:30 PMChancel Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary7:15 - 8:45 PMBilingual Worship Service, Kloss Hall

Thursday, November 6

9:00 - 11:00 AM Casual Bike Riders, CCSM Parking Lot; contact John Ebneter, jebneter@aol.com 10:15 - 11:30 AM **Women's Coffee Group**, Fireplace Room; contact linda.skromme@gmail.com

4:00 - 6:00 PM Samaritan House Meal Service, Kloss Hall

Friday, November 7

4:00 - 6:00 PM Samaritan House Meal Service, Kloss Hall

Saturday, November 8

8:30 - 10:30 AM CC Riders Weekly Bike Ride; contact Peter Held, paheld1417@gmail.com

Sunday, November 9

9:45 - 10:15 AM Joyful Noise Children's Choir, Fireplace Room; contact Julie Berk, teacherjulie7@gmail.com

10:30 - 11:30 AM **Worship Service** in **person** and online (FB and YouTube)

10:45 - 11:30 AM Youth & Children's Programs, CE Building

11:30 AM - 12:30 PM **Coffee Hour**, Kloss Hall (Come celebrate Mike Mullery's 90th!)

New Member Luncheon, Buckham Room 12:00 - 2:00 PM

4:00 - 6:30 PM Sunday Evenings Together: Children & Youth Program, Kloss Hall & CE Building



For Staff, CCSM Board, and Ministries leads, go to ccsm-ucc.org/welcome/#staff or scan the QR code. To contact your CCSM Board, email Board@ccsm-ucc.org. To contact anyone in the Council of Ministries, email **COM@ccsm-ucc.org**. To contact the church office, email cmontara@ccsm-ucc.org

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