

*“Because of who you are,
and where you are on life’s journey,
you are welcome here.”*

Welcome to CCSM!

We are so glad you’re here! To celebrate your visit, we’d love to make a \$5 donation on your behalf to a charity of your choice. Supporting 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!**



Children & Youth



We love having kids at CCSM! Please choose the option that works best for your family today:

- **Stay in the Service:** Children and youth are always welcome in the Sanctuary! Feel free to grab toys/activities/color sheets from the basket at the Kids Table in the Narthex.
- **Go to Faith Formation:** During the Passing of the Peace, kids (up to 4th grade) and youth (5th-8th grade) are invited to head to the Christian Education Building with our leaders. Parents are welcome to walk them over.

Pick-up: If your kids attend Faith Formation, you can meet them in their program room or Kloss Hall during Coffee Hour.

Get Connected

We’d love to get to know you!

- **Connect Card:** Fill one out and drop it in the offering plate or hand it to a greeter. Or fill out the “Contact Us” form at ccsm-ucc.org.
- **Stay in the Loop:** Email kim@ccsm-ucc.org to get our weekly *Connections* newsletter, *Worship Links*, or biweekly *Family Scoop*.
- **Get the App:** Download the Church Center app on Google Play/App Store (Search: Congregational Church of San Mateo)
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En el nártex hay dispositivos de asistencia auditiva e instrucciones para traducción (inglés-español). Por favor, diríjase a un acomodador si necesita ayuda.

Order of Service

↑ Please rise | Spoken together | Music | 🎵 Sung together

Prelude

Fiddle Tunes

Welcome

Rev. Jessica Vacketta

↑ Call to Worship

Phil Lind

Leader: We are Easter people.

All: **We are still becoming what that means.**

Leader: The first followers shared what they had- eating together, praying together, showing up for each other.

All: **That is the life we are called to live, the community we are called to build.**

Leader: Come as you are. Bring what you have. There is a place for you here.

All: **We gather with glad and generous hearts, praising God and sharing life together.**

↑ 🎵 Opening Hymn

God of Grace and God of Glory

#436, vs .1-3

God of grace and God of glory, on your people pour your power;
crown your ancient church's story; bring its bud to glorious flower.

Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the facing of this hour, for the facing of this hour.

From the evils that surround us and assail the Savior's ways,
from the fears that long have bound us- free our hearts for faith and praise.

Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the living of these days, for the living of these days.

Cure your children's warring madness; bend our pride to your control.

Shame our reckless, selfish gladness, rich in things and poor in soul.

Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, make our broken spirits whole,
make our broken spirits whole.

↑ Sharing the Peace

Rev. Álvaro Durán

Throughout this Eastertide season, we'll return to this centering song, which reminds us resurrection isn't just something we celebrate, but something we embody in how we love and care for one another.

Live in Charity 205
Ubi caritas

Live in char - i - ty and stead - fast love.
U - bi ca - ri - tas et a - mor,

Live in char - i - ty; God will dwell with you.
u - bi ca - ri - tas De - us i - bi est.

This refrain comes from a Latin hymn associated with the washing of feet on Maundy Thursday. Whether in English or Latin, it is most effective when sung unaccompanied and in parts. In many ways it is a miniature equivalent of "Will You Let Me Be Your Servant" (see no. 727).

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UBI CARITAS (Taizé)
Irregular

Invitation to Offering

Pacific School of Religion

Julien Phillips

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- **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

Fiddle Tunes

Scripture

Acts 2:42-47

Phil Lind

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

Awe came upon everyone because many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

Sermon

Rev. Jessica Vacketta

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*

↑  **Sending Forth**

We are Marching in the Light of God

#526

Si-ya-hamb' e-ku-kha-nyen'kwen-khos', Si-ya-hamb' e-ku-kha-nyen'kwen-khos',
Si-ya-hamb' e-ku-kha-nyen'kwen-khos', Si-ya-hamb' e-ku-kha-nyen'kwen-khos',
Si-ya-hamb', Si-ya-hamb', Oo, Si-ya-hamb' e-ku-kha-nyen'kwen-khos'
Si-ya-hamb', Si-ya-hamb', Oo, Si-ya-hamb' e-ku-kha-nyen'kwen-khos'

We are marching in the light of God, we are marching in the light of God.
We are marching in the light of God. We are marching in the light of God.
We are marching, We are marching, Oo, We are marching in the light of God.
We are marching, We are marching, Oo, We are marching in the light of God.

↑ **Benediction & Choral Response**

Rev. Jessica Vacketta

↑ **Postlude**

Fiddle Tunes

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Special thanks to those helping with today's service:

Our Liturgical Arts volunteers
Our Coffee Hour Hosts: Women's Coffee Group
Our musicians leading worship: Dr. Ondine Young, C.J. Briggs, & Chancel Choir
Musicians may contact ondine@ccsm-ucc.org to join the music ministry

Joys and Concerns

Prayer connects us in love and care, whether we have specific requests or simply wish to hold someone in God's light. Each week, our pastoral care team holds our congregation's joys and concerns in prayer. To share a request, fill out a connect card in the pew and place it in our offering plate, give it to a minister, or visit ccsm-ucc.org or the Church App. Prayers will be listed below for two weeks, unless otherwise requested.

Recent Prayer Requests:

Prayers of condolence go out to **David and Sally McClure** as Sally's sister **Sharon** passed away last week. Sally and Sharon spoke nearly every day and her loss will be felt keenly.

Holly Allen asks that we pray for her long-time friend **Kerry and her husband, Tom**. Tom has struggled with cancer for many years and just entered hospice.

Louisa and Jim Shaul request prayers for the safety of **Caroline Shaul and her husband Colby**, as they drive Jim and Louisa's car across country beginning on April 27 for Jim and Louisa's move to New York.

We hold **Warren Long** and **Susan Lake Long** in prayer, following the death of Warren's brother, **Bruce Long** on April 13 in Cleveland, Ohio.

Please keep **Deb McCann** in your prayers who recently suffered a stroke. Deb is the mother of staff member, **John McCann**, and worships with us online every Sunday.

Genel Morgan asks for prayers for her friend **Lene** who has just been diagnosed with breast cancer.

A **memorial for Pat Pepper** will be held on Saturday, May 9 at 1:00 here at CCSM. There will be a reception in Kloss Hall following the memorial. Pat's family thanks her many friends for messages and cards over the past two months!

A **memorial service for Ricardo Saucedo** will be held on Sunday, May 17 at 4:00 pm here at CCSM. A cafecita will follow in Kloss Hall. If you are available to help with the service and/or reception please contact Rev. Álvaro.

Mike and Sue Hill request prayers for their young friend, **Sabrina**, who has been diagnosed with early Alzheimer's disease in the prime of her life.

We continue to pray for **Jerry Nugent** as he continues with treatment for lymphoma, and we hold **Nancy Nugent** in prayer, as well. Nancy is transferring to an assisted living facility as she continues to recover, as Jerry goes through his treatments.

Ongoing prayer requests: Lindsay, friend of Genel Morgan; **Cydra Christensen**, aunt of Rev. Jessica;; **Heather Morgan; Larry Anderson**, friend of Frank Garritano; **Joaquín**, Nadia Hernández father; **Mike and Lee Mullery's nephew, Wally; 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; Caroline Reinke**

Bulletin Board

OPEN CATHEDRAL TODAY Help make sandwiches after church TODAY, Join our all-ages assembly line on the fourth Sunday of the month to pack 100 lunches for Open Cathedral to distribute in San Francisco! Meet in the church kitchen after worship.

SECOND HOUR TODAY: Is it aging or dementia? How do I know and what do I do? Join us after worship for Second Hour as Melanie Bunn, RN, MS, GNP, leads an interactive session. We will explore the subtle differences between typical aging and dementia, including when to worry about normal forgetfulness, misplaced items, or word-finding struggles. Come ready to break down common myths and bring your questions!

JOIN THE POSY POSSE Captivated by rainbows? Experience the beauty of Posy Posse as we start our seasonal outreach to assemble and deliver uplifting flower arrangements to the CCSM community. CCSM Kitchen, **Mondays 12:00-2:00**. All are welcome! Contact Susan susanalake15@gmail.com to rsvp.

SLOW READ BOOK CLUB • Next Meeting April 20 • Join Siew Kang and new co-leader Betsy Woodward for a slow, contemplative read of Barbara Brown Taylor's book, *An Altar in the World*. This will be their book for April, May, and June. For more information, contact Siew at internationalchoir@gmail.com

BLESSING BOX DONATIONS Thank you for your continued generosity! In addition to food, our neighbors are in great need of essential items like diapers, cleaning supplies, feminine hygiene products, and baby formula. Please drop off these everyday household goods in the narthex donation bin to help support our community.



JOIN THE CCSM ACTION NETWORK • Want to see how we show up in the world with compassion, courage, and solidarity? Scan the QR code below to receive timely invitations to vigils, rallies, marches, and community gatherings where your faithful presence matters.

CCSM & YOU: NEW MEMBER LUNCH • Sunday, June 7 • 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, alisonschwandt@gmail.com —we'd love to welcome you more fully into the life of our church!



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

Calendar visit CCSM-UCC.ORG/EVENTS or our **Church Center App** (click the calendar icon at the bottom of the homepage) for the full calendar of events and meetings.

Sunday, April 26

9:15 - 10:00 AM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal , sanctuary
9:30 - 10:15 AM	Joyful Noise Children's Choir Rehearsal , fireplace room
10:30-11:30 AM	60 Minutes Discussion Group -HS, Fireplace Room
10:30 - 11:30 AM	Worship Service in person and online (FB and YouTube)
10:45 - 11:30 AM	Children & Youth Faith Formation , Christian Education (CE) Building
11:30 - 12:30 PM	Coffee Hour , Kloss Hall
11:45-12:15 PM	Open Cathedral Sandwich Making , Kloss Kitchen
4:00 - 5:00 PM	CYF Faith Formation (Middle School) , CE Building
5:00 - 5:30 PM	CYF Snack Supper , CE Building
5:30 - 6:30 PM	Youth Group (6-12th grade) , CE Building

Monday, April 27

11:00 - 12:30 PM	Women at the Well group , Fireplace Room
4:00 - 6:00 PM	Samaritan House Meal Service , Kloss Hall

Tuesday, April 28

10:00 - 11:00 AM	Men's Coffee Group , Hillsdale Mall Terrace; contact Peter Held, paheld1417@gmail.com
4:00 - 6:00 PM	Samaritan House Meal Service , Kloss Hall

Wednesday, April 29

4:00 - 6:00 PM	Samaritan House Meal Service , Kloss Hall
7:15 - 8:30 PM	Bilingual Worship Service , Kloss Hall

Thursday, April 30

10:15 - 11:30 AM
4:00 - 6:00 PM
7:30 - 9:00 PM

Women's Coffee Group, Fireplace Room
NO Samaritan House Meal Service today
Chancel Choir Rehearsal, sanctuary

Friday, May 1

4:00 - 6:00 PM

Samaritan House Meal Service, Kloss Hall

Saturday, May 2

8:30 - 10:30 AM

CC Riders Weekly Bike Ride; contact Peter Held, paheld1417@gmail.com

Sunday, May 3

9:15 - 10:00 AM
9:30 - 10:15 AM
10:30 - 11:30 AM
10:45 - 11:30 AM
11:30 - 12:30 PM
4:00 - 5:00 PM
5:00 - 5:30 PM
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