



**Congregational Church  
of San Mateo**  
Iglesia Congregacional de San Mateo



## 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 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](https://ccsm-ucc.org).
- **Stay in the Loop:** Email [kim@ccsm-ucc.org](mailto:kim@ccsm-ucc.org) to get our weekly *Connections* newsletter, *Worship Links*, or monthly *Family Scoop*.
- **Get the App:** Download the Church Center app on Google Play/App Store (Search: Congregational Church of San Mateo)



- **Follow Us:**  @ccsmucc  ccsm.ucc  ccsmMediaChannel  [tinyurl.com/CCSMspotify](https://tinyurl.com/CCSMspotify)

## Accesibilidad / Accessibility

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**

*On Broadway*  
Mann and Weil

C.J. Briggs

**Welcome**

Rev. Álvaro Durán

↑ **Call to Worship**

Genel Morgan

Leader: Look... the wind is stirring. Something is changing.  
God is nearer than we imagine.

**All: Open our eyes, so that we may see what you are doing among us.**

Leader: Look... Grace is found in unexpected places, mercy in simple acts of kindness,  
and hope waiting to be discovered

**All: We come to worship the God whose love changes everything.**

Leader: Look again... Christ is already among us  
In every neighbour, every stranger, and every act of compassion.

**All: With wonder and joy, let us worship God.**

↑ 🎵 **Opening Hymn**

*There's a Wideness in God's Mercy*

#23

There's a wideness in God's mercy, like the wideness of the sea;  
there's a kindness in God's justice which is more than liberty.  
There's no place where earthly sorrows are more felt than in God's heaven;  
there's no place where earthly failings have such kindly judgment given.

For the love of God is broader than the measures of our minds;  
and the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind.  
If our love were but more faithful, we would gladly trust God's word;  
and our lives would show thanksgiving for the goodness of our God.

↑ **Sharing the Peace**

Rev. Álvaro Durán

🎵 **Centering Song**

C.J. Briggs

## Invitation to Offering

Coastside Land Trust

Bob Rogers

Coastside Land Trust is a non-profit since 1997. The trust is the only environmental organization dedicated entirely to the protection and preservation of land along the San Mateo County Pacific Ocean coast extending from Half Moon Bay north to Montara. The trust seeks to protect land by purchasing and receiving donations of land, secure private and public funding for land conservation, provide assistance and resources to landowners to protect their land, and lead conservation, stewardship, and educational activities.

### **Give to CCSM with ease!**

- **Church Center App:** Download the 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/](https://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

Chim Chim Cher-ee

C.J. Briggs

## Sacred Text

Feed the Birds

Julie Berk

## Sermon

Rev. Álvaro Durán

## Sermon Response

Let's Go Fly a Kite

C.J. Briggs

## 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. Am*

God, whose giving knows no ending, from your rich and endless store,  
Nature's wonder, Jesus' wisdom, costly cross, grave's shattered door;  
Gifted by you, we turn to you offering up ourselves in praise.  
Thankful song shall rise forever, gracious donor of our days.

Skills and time are ours for serving, that your will on earth be done:  
All at peace in health and freedom, races joined, the Church made one.  
Now direct our daily labor, lest we strive for self alone;  
Born with talents, make us servants fit to answer at your throne.

Treasures, too, you have entrusted, gain through powers your grace conferred;  
Ours to use for home and kindred, and to spread the gospel Word.  
Open wide our hands in sharing as we heed Christ's ageless call,  
Healing, teaching, and reclaiming, honoring you by loving all.

Lend your joy to all our giving, let it light our pilgrim way;  
From the night of anxious keeping, loose us into generous day.  
Then when years on earth are over, and we've lived our human span,  
God, fulfill beyond our dreaming, all our stewardship began.

↑ **Benediction**

Rev. Álvaro Durán

**Postlude**

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**Special thanks to those helping with today's service:**

Liturgical Arts volunteers: Kay Harris  
Coffee Hour Hosts: Thursday Women's Coffee Group  
Musicians leading worship: C.J. Briggs, and Julie Berk

## 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. To share a request, fill out a connect card in the pew and place it in our offering plate, give it to a minister, visit [ccsm-ucc.org](http://ccsm-ucc.org) or the Church App. Prayers will be listed below for two weeks, unless otherwise requested.*

**Recent Prayer Requests:**

Let us hold **Nadia and Vanessa Hernández** and their families in our prayers following the death of their father, **Joaquín López-Alvarado**, who passed away in the early hours of Monday morning.

**Tony Gallo** shares this joy: his nephew, **Anthony**, was promoted to sergeant in the NYC police department. Also, Anthony became engaged to be married this week! Tony requests prayers for Anthony's safety, joy and happiness. The family is very proud of him.

**The Band of Brothers** grieve the death and loss of our dear friend **Oscar Koechlin** Monday morning, July 20, at Stanford Hospital. We valued Oscar as a curious and caring friend, a careful reader of our selected books, and a contributor to the explorations of our spiritual journeys, often writing paragraphs or pages that contributed so much to our own understanding. At his request, no service of remembrance is planned.

Please keep **On dine Young** and her family in prayer as she cares for her mother, **Sue Young**, following an extended hospital stay and transition into a memory care community.

**Genel Morgan** requests renewed prayers of healing for her family member, **Lindsay**, who is still dealing with health issues. **Genel** also requests prayers for a family friend, **Todd**, who is dealing with chronic pain.

Join us in wishing **Fred Kerwood** and his partner, **Dennis Gribben**, a fond farewell and God's blessings as they relocate to Santa Rosa. A dedicated member for over a decade, Fred served steadfastly on both the Board of Directors and the Ministry of Service & Justice. We will miss you!

Our condolences are shared with **Sue Ingles** and **Heather Nayak**, who recently lost Heather's aunt and Sue's younger sister in a motor vehicle accident.

**Ongoing prayers:** **Terri and Gary Bullis**, Sue Bullis' family members; **Lena Respress**, Rylee Corradini's family member; **Nicolasa**, Josefina's mother; **Jerry & Nancy Nugent**; **Joel Uribe**, father of Victor de la Torre; **Andrew Lind**; **Kerry and Tom**, friends of Holly Allen; **Sabrina**, friend of Mike & Sue Hill; **Heather Morgan**; **Larry Anderson**, friend of Frank Garritano; **John**, Sharon Tobin's son; **Renato Floresca**; **Lynne and Peter**, friends of Lynn Nieberding; Chona Tenderso's friend, **Feljohn Rancap**; **Aprille Espinuevas**, friend of Robert Leung; **Lani Leydig**; **Cheryl Granucci**; Allison Rock and Chris Wuthmann's friend, **Karen**; **Veril Phillips & Bev Knowlton**; **Mike & Lee Mullery**, **Dottie Scott**

## Bulletin Board

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

**KITCHEN CLOSED** The Kloss Hall Kitchen will be closed beginning this afternoon until the afternoon of Wednesday, July 29 for repainting and repair. It will be open in time for the Wednesday evening service.

**BACK TO SCHOOL SUNDAY • Sunday, August 16 •** Join us for Back to School Sunday, our new Homecoming. We'll have a backpack blessing during worship for students and educators, followed by a front lawn BBQ with food, music, and games. Bring your friends and your appetite to help us kick off the school year!

**SUPPORT THE BENCH & PLANTER PROJECT:** Thanks to your incredible generosity, our benches are fully funded, but you can still help by sponsoring the remaining planters, plants, or soil. To contribute any amount, visit the Church Center Give page and select "Loggia Bench Project" from the drop-down menu.

**UCC CLUSTER CHURCH PICNIC • Aug 2 • 12:30pm - 2:30pm:** This collaborative gathering with our sister Peninsula UCC churches is hosted this year by College Heights, promising a wonderful opportunity for fun, fellowship, and connection. We hope you will join our wider UCC family for this special event!

**HELP KEEP COFFEE HOUR GOING •** We need co-hosts to bring sweet or savory treats to share. We have

openings the remainder of the year.. It's a simple, wonderful way to welcome newcomers and bless our community. To sign up, please email **Melodie Lew** [boygie.m2000@yahoo.com](mailto:boygie.m2000@yahoo.com) and she'll send you a sign up link.

**TABLET DONATION:** Have an old, working iPad or tablet you're ready to part with? We are seeking two donated devices for our media and event teams—drop yours off at the main office!



**INSPIRING DELEGATION TO EL SALVADOR • Nov 9 - 15 •** Join a transformative pilgrimage to El Salvador to deepen your faith, walk in the footsteps of historic martyrs, and learn from local communities fighting for justice. Scan the QR code for more information.

**Calendar** visit [CCSM-UCC.ORG/EVENTS](https://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, July 26**

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|------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|
| 10:30 - 11:30 AM | <b>Worship</b> in person and online (FB and YouTube)      |
| 10:45 - 11:30 AM | <b>Children &amp; Youth Faith Formation</b> , CE Building |
| 11:30 - 12:30 PM | <b>Coffee Hour</b> , Kloss Hall                           |
| 11:45- 12:15 PM  | <b>Open Cathedral Sandwich Making</b> , Kloss Kitchen     |
| 11:45-1:00 PM    | <b>Bell Choir Rehearsal</b> , Choir Room                  |
| 2:00 PM >>>      | <b>Kloss Hall Kitchen closes for floor painting</b>       |
| 3:00 - 4:30 PM   | <b>Libres en Cristo</b> , Buckham Room                    |

**Monday, July 27**

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| 11:00 - 12:30 PM | <b>Kloss Kitchen is closed today</b>                     |
| 12:00 -1:00 PM   | <b>Women at the Well</b> , Fireplace Room                |
| 4:00 - 6:00 PM   | <b>Posy Posse</b> , Kloss Kitchen                        |
|                  | <b>TO GO Samaritan House Meal Service</b> , Buckham Room |

**Tuesday, July 28**

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| 10:00 - 11:00 AM | <b>Kloss Kitchen is closed today</b>                                                                                                   |
| 4:00 - 6:00 PM   | <b>Men's Coffee Group</b> , Hillsdale Mall Terrace; contact Peter Held, <a href="mailto:paheld1417@gmail.com">paheld1417@gmail.com</a> |
| 7:00 - 9:00 PM   | <b>TO GO Samaritan House Meal Service</b> , Buckham Room                                                                               |
|                  | <b>Circulo Mujeres ZUMBA</b> , Kloss Hall                                                                                              |

**Wednesday, July 29**

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| 4:00 - 6:00 PM | <b>Samaritan House Meal Service</b> , Kloss Hall |
| 6:00 - 7:30 PM | <b>Summer Youth Group</b> , Buckham Room         |
| 7:15 - 8:30 PM | <b>Bilingual Worship Service</b> , Kloss Hall    |

**Thursday, July 30**

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| 9:00 -10:30 AM   | <b>Casual Bike Rider's Group</b> , meet in Parking Lot |
| 10:15 - 11:30 AM | <b>Women's Coffee Group</b> , Fireplace Room           |
| 4:00 - 6:00 PM   | <b>Samaritan House Meal Service</b> , Kloss Hall       |
| 7:00 - 9:00 PM   | <b>Circulo Mujeres ZUMBA</b> , Kloss Hall              |

**Friday, July 31**

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| 4:00 - 6:00 PM | <b>Samaritan House Meal Service</b> , Kloss Hall |
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**Saturday, August 1**

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| 8:30 - 10:30 AM | <b>CC Riders Weekly Bike Ride</b> ; contact Peter Held, <a href="mailto:paheld1417@gmail.com">paheld1417@gmail.com</a> |
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**Sunday, August 2**

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| 10:30 - 11:30 AM | <b>Worship</b> in person and online (FB and YouTube)      |
| 10:45 - 11:30 AM | <b>Children &amp; Youth Faith Formation</b> , CE Building |
| 11:30 - 12:30 PM | <b>Coffee Hour</b> , Kloss Hall                           |
| 11:45 - 1:00 PM  | <b>Bell Choir Rehearsal</b> , Choir Room                  |
| 12:30 - 3:00 PM  | <b>UCC Picnic</b> , College Heights Church                |
| 3:00 - 4:30 PM   | <b>Libres en Cristo</b> , Buckham Room                    |