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Welcome to College Avenue Presbyterian Church!

We're glad you're here with us today and look forward to worshipping together and getting to know each other.

Children's Coloring Sheets & Quiet Toys are located at the table area in the front to the left of the stage. We also have a lounge, off the entryway, where we broadcast the service if you need more space. We share a small snack and coffee after the service to connect, reconnect and make new connections.

Please come join us.

CHILDREN

We invite children 3 years old to 6th grade to depart for Godly Play (our Sunday School) during the song of praise. You can gather your child(ren) after worship upstairs in the GP room.

CAPC WORSHIP 101 PRAYER CARDS

You're invited to share your prayers of concern and gratitude with the community by filling out the cards, located in the pews, and leaving them in the glass jar on the left of the communion table before the end of the call to worship. We'll use them later in the Prayers of The People time using a call and response prompt.

WIFI

2wire927 is our open wifi access. The password is 7304088568. If you tweet or instagram we invite you to use hashtag #capcoakland

NESTLÉ PARKING LOT

We are able to park in the lot. They ask us to enter and exit off of Chabot Road, and to access the lot via the pedestrian door on Chabot.

CCLI #1137062

March 13, 2016

GATHERING SONG

"I Saw The Light"

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CALL TO WORSHIP

SONG OF PRAISE

"Change My Heart Oh God"

- insert

TIME OF CONFESSION

- Jeff Trowbridge

Silent Prayer followed by **Prayer of Forgiveness and Assurance of Pardon**

SONG OF RESPONSE

"Nobody Knows the Trouble I've Seen"

- insert

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

- Jeff Trowbridge

Call and response liturgically prayed at the conclusion of sharing a prayer card

Liturgist: God, in your mercy.

Community: Hear our prayer.

To pray with someone after the service, look for today's liturgist in the lounge off the entryway.

GIVING OF OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS

SONG DURING THE OFFERING

"Worthy"

- insert

HEARING GOD'S WORD

READING OF SCRIPTURE

Mark 13:1-8, 24-37

- Jeff Trowbridge

Pew Bible, p. 946

SERMON

"The End of the World as We Know It"

- Rev. Monte McClain

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

SONG OF RESPONSE

"Canticle Of Turning"

- insert

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING CALL AND RESPONSE

Leader: God is good!

Leader: And all the time!

People: All the time!

People: God is good!

BENEDICTION

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

"Ang kapayapaan ng Diyos"

(Tagalog)

We pass the peace weekly using languages native to the cultures of our church community as an audible sign of the Dominion of God working for the healing transformation of the world.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMUNITY NEWS

March Birthdays

1	Al Barnes	17	Louise Hirschman
3	Danny Gee	22	Ellen Brylawski
6	Jeff Trowbridge	24	Marda Strothers
6	Chris Wenzler	28	Lucian Haynes
9	Emily Wenzler	31	Gordon Laverty
12	Kristy McClain	31	Gene Anderson

PRAYERS & PRAISE

Prayers of praise and gratitude for: Miracle March rains to help alleviate the drought we're still in. *Prayers for God to intervene for:* The political process in our country; Friends Patty and Margarita, healing from an accident and cancer surgery; the leaders of our state to empower more justice in our penal system which is so often unjust; Tyler Conant Martin and his dad to find a new place to live; healing for Cecilia Jackson who has mild pneumonia, Terry Joseph and Jewel Sierra; guidance for a co-worker venturing out into the job market.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Walking through the Bible | Thursday at 11:30am in the Library, Emma Fleming: 510-653-6536

CAPC CHOIR | Sunday 12:00-1:00pm & Wednesday at 6pm

Mid Week Small Group Gathering Wednesdays 7:30-9 pm
Meets near CAL campus | Questions: call Marda 510.540.7173

Friday Night Meal | Friday 6-7pm. Talk to Ellen Brylawski to help

The Vocabulary of Faith | Sunday 9:30-10:15am (library)

Women's Group | Saturday 8:30-10:00 am

Taizé Prayer Services | Wednesday 7:00 – 7:45pm during Lent

Lent Devotionals HELP WRITE THEM! Monte needs your help to create a community-wide daily Lenten devotional. Can you help? Pick up a PINK info sheet in the entryway.

One Great Hour of Sharing: this is our annual offering to benefit the poor, hungry and oppressed through the work of our nation-wide church. Pick up information in the entryway or online at <http://specialofferings.pcusa.org/oghs>.

Men's Breakfast : Saturday, March 19th; 8:30-10:30 a.m. Host site: 5653 Ocean View Dr. 94618 RSVP to Bill Beatty.

Palm Sunday – next Sunday, March 20th. Meet at the BART station at 10:15 to be part of our procession of palms with Monte. In worship we'll have special music from the choir, and sharing from visiting missionaries we support: the Raffeto Family. After worship we're also having egg dying for the kids during coffee hour! To help talk to Monte.

HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

Taizé Song and Prayer: Wednesday, March 23rd @ 7:00pm
Maundy Thursday Song, Story & Action: Thursday, March 24th @ 7:30pm
Good Friday Song, Story & Procession of the Cross: Friday, March 25th @ 7:30pm

Thank you to Leadership today:

Ushers: Sharon Nelson, Louise Hirschman
Liturgist: Jeff Trowbridge
Fellowship: Fredora Darmstadt, Kristy McClain
Godly Play: Beth Beatty, Anne Marie Adams
Musicians: Dave Eagle (Drums), Swen Hendrickson (Bass), Roger Kim (Guitar) & Pete Feltman (a bit of everything)

Leadership for next week, 3/20/16:

Ushers: Jeff Trowbridge, Fredora Darmstadt
Liturgist:
Fellowship: Beth and Bill Beatty
Godly Play: Ellen Brylawski, Fredora Darmstadt

Mark 13:1-8, 24-37

Today's text is sandwiched between a verbal tussle between Jesus and the religious authorities of his time and his celebration of the Passover: the Last Supper. It seems like Mark 12 easily follows chapter 14. This chapter is best described by biblical scholars as apocalyptic literature. This form of writing stems from a worldview that believes that everything happening on earth represents and correlates with a larger, heavenly struggle between good and evil. It therefore reads into earthly events cosmic significance and anticipates future events on earth in light of the coming battle between the forces of God and [the d]evil. Hence, it often tries to make sense of current events and experiences by casting them in a larger, cosmic framework. In this way it gives comfort to those currently suffering or oppressed.

This form of writing tends to be highly symbolic. Consequently it's ripe for reading all kinds of diverse interpretations. However I believe [*in my reading*] that this chapter in Mark – and other passages, notably the book of Revelation – were not written so that we could discern signs of the end. Rather, they were written to offer comfort to first-century believers struggling to make sense of their world and lives in a time of great suffering and persecution. In this way it's more than helpful for us to read this (and other) passage(s) in light of the challenges its original readers were facing, which are likely similar to some of our own, today.

From today's selection (and all of Mark 13) we can gather that Christian community to which Mark wrote his gospel was not only struggling with the chaos ensued from the fall of the Jerusalem Temple in 70 C.E., but also that they had been harassed by people claiming to be Jesus or some other messianic figure returned. Mark's people were literally caught up in "wars and rumors of war" and probably found comfort in the belief that Jesus had already anticipated this and was offering words of encouragement to them through this Gospel.

Like the disciples of the early Church, we long to know that God is faithful, active in our world, working for the redemption of all things. We want to know when to be ready for God's definitive action. But maybe that's not the point: we are invited to be ready all the time. We are not called simply to live our lives without thinking about our neighbor simply keenly looking for the sign of God's imminent coming so that we can clean up our act. Rather, we are called to live always anticipating the activity of God. Not in a state of anxiety, but in a spirit of joy and confidence. Joy in the knowledge that God loves us and chooses us in all things through the life and resurrection of Jesus. Confident that the God who did this, will also save the world. We would like to know when that is. But that is not our calling. We are called to live now, allowing the promises of God about the future to infuse our every present moment.

Questions for Going Deeper:

- *What do you think is the message of these scriptures?*
- *How have you experienced it as truth in your life?*
- *What invitation do you hear from God in this text to act, say, be or do?*

LYRICS AND READINGS FOR WORSHIP

"I Saw the Light"

Author: Thoro Harris

1. I wandered so aimless life filled with sin
I wouldn't let my dear Savior in
Then Jesus came like a stranger in the night
Praise the Lord I saw the light

(chorus)

I saw the light I saw the light
No more darkness no more night
Now I'm so happy no sorrow in sight
Praise the Lord I saw the light

2. Just like a blind man I wandered along
Worries and fears I claimed for my own
Then like the blind man that God gave back his sight
Praise the Lord I saw the light

chorus

3. I was a fool to wander and stray
Straight is the gate and narrow the way
Now I have traded the wrong for the right
Praise the Lord I saw the light

chorus

CALL TO WORSHIP

Prayer from <http://holdfasttowhatisgood.com>

Adapted by Monte McClain

L: Keep awake!

P: You know not when God comes.

L: There will be signs;

P: A flood to cover the earth,

L: the Red Sea parting,
the walls of Jericho tumbling,

P: a giant slain by a boy,

L: a barren womb birthing a son,

P: a man sleeping in a den of lions,

L: another surviving the belly of a fish,

P: a virgin conceiving in her womb!

L: Keep awake!

P: God is coming!

L: Behold the signs!

"Change My Heart O God"

Author: Eddie Espinosa

Change my heart O God
Make it ever true
Change my heart O God
May I be like You
You are the potter
I am the clay
Mold me and make me
This is what I pray

"Nobody Knows The Trouble I See"

Traditional Spiritual

Nobody knows the trouble I see Lord
Nobody knows the trouble I see
Nobody knows the trouble I see Lord
Nobody knows like Jesus
Mothers will you pray for me
Mothers will you pray for me
Mothers will you pray for me
An help me to drive ol Satan away

"Worthy"

Worthy, worthy worthy is the lamb
Worthy, worthy, worthy is the lamb

Praise you, praise you, praise you evermore
We praise you, we praise you, we praise you
evermore

Love you, love you, love you evermore
We love you, we love you, we love you evermore

"Canticle of the Turning"

Author: Rory Cooney

1. My soul cries out with a joyful shout that the
God of my heart is great
And my spirit sings of the wondrous things that
you bring to the ones who wait
You fixed your sight on your servant's plight and
my weakness you did not spurn
So from east to west shall my name be blessed,
could the world be about to turn

chorus

My heart shall sing of the day you bring
Let the fires of your justice burn
Wipe away all tears For the dawn draws near
And the world is about to turn

2. Though I am small, my God, my all
You work great things in me
And Your mercy will last from the depths of the past to the end of the age to be
Your very name puts
the proud to shame
and to those who would for you yearn
You will show Your might,
put the strong to flight
for the world is about to turn

chorus

3. From the halls of power
to the fortress tower
not a stone will be left unstone
Let the king beware
for your justice tears
every tyrant from his throne
The hungry poor shall weep
no more for the food they can never earn
There are tables spread,
every mouth be fed
for the world is about to turn

chorus

4. Though the nations rage
from age to age
we remember who holds us fast
God's mercy must deliver us
from the conqueror's crushing grasp
This saving word
that our forebears heard
is a promise which holds us bound
Til the spear and rod
can be crushed by God
who is turning the world around

JESUS CHRIST: ADVENT

100 My Soul Cries Out with a Joyful Shout

Canticle of the Turning

The musical score is written for a single melodic line in treble clef, 3/4 time, with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is simple and repetitive, consisting of eighth and quarter notes. Chord symbols (Em, C, D, G) are placed above the staff at various points. The lyrics are arranged in four systems, each corresponding to a line of the melody. The lyrics are a paraphrase of the Magnificat, Mary's song at her meeting with her relative Elizabeth (Luke 1:46-55).

1 My soul cries out with a joy - ful shout that the
2 Though I am small, my God, my all, you
3 From the halls of power to the for - tress tower, not a
4 Though the na - tions rage from age to age, we re -

God of my heart is great, and my spir - it sings of the
work great things in me, and your mer - cy will last from the
stone will be left on stone. Let the king be - ware for your
mem - ber who holds us fast: God's mer - cy must de -

won - drous things that you bring to the ones who wait.
depths of the past to the end of the age to be.
jus - tice tears ev - ery ty - rant from his throne.
liv - er us from the con - quer - or's crush - ing grasp.

You fixed your sight on your ser - vant's plight, and my
Your ver - y name puts the proud to shame, and to
The hun - gry poor shall weep no more, for the
This sav - ing word that our fore - bears heard is the

weak - ness you did not spurn, so from east to west shall my
those who would for you yearn, you will show your might, put the
food they can nev - er earn; there are ta - bles spread; ev - ery
prom - ise which holds us bound, till the spear and rod can be

By employing an energetic Irish folk song for its melody, this ballad-like paraphrase of the *Magnificat*, Mary's song at her meeting with her relative Elizabeth (Luke 1:46-55), recaptures both the wonder and the faith of the young woman who first recognized what God was doing.