



LA JOLLA  
UNITED METHODIST

THE GRACE OF  
*Les Misérables*  
Fallen?

Sunday, May 1, 2022

Third Sunday of Easter

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## WE GATHER IN THE PRESENCE OF CHRIST

### Prelude

*A Little Fall of Rain (Les Misérables)*

Claude-Michel Schonberg  
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### Introit

*O Jesus, Blest Redeemer*

Arr. Donald Moore  
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### Welcome

### † Opening Music

*Thou Hidden Source of Calm Repose*

UMH 153

1. Thou hidden source of calm repose,  
thou all-sufficient love divine,  
my help and refuge from my foes,  
secure I am if thou art mine;  
and lo! from sin and grief and shame  
I hide me, Jesus, in thy name.
2. Thy mighty name salvation is,  
and keeps my happy soul above;  
comfort it brings, and power and peace,  
and joy and everlasting love;  
to me with thy dear name are given  
pardon and holiness and heaven.
3. Jesus, my all in all thou art,  
my rest in toil, my ease in pain,  
the healing of my broken heart,  
in war my peace, in loss my gain,  
my smile beneath the tyrant's frown,  
in shame my glory and my crown.
4. In want my plentiful supply,  
in weakness my almighty power,  
in bonds my perfect liberty,  
my light in Satan's darkest hour,  
in grief my joy unspeakable,  
my life in death, my heaven in hell.

### Blessing for Children

### Prayers of the People

*A Pastor will begin a time of prayer and name those for whom our congregation is praying.  
A time of silence will indicate when you may share one name or very short phrase to add.*

### Pastoral Prayer

## WE HEAR OF THE LOVE OF CHRIST

### Scripture

Matthew 5:38-39 (CEB)

“You have heard that it was said, An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth. But I say to you that you must not oppose those who want to hurt you. If people slap you on your right cheek, you must turn the left cheek to them as well.

### Scriptural Response

Liturgist: The Word of God for the People of God.

**All: Thanks be to God! Amen.**

### Anthem

*At the End of the Day (Les Misérables)*

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Arr. Ed Lojeski  
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### Message

*Fallen?*

Rev. Bob Rhodes

## WE RESPOND TO THE PRESENCE OF CHRIST

### Response in the World

### Invitation to the Offering

### Offertory

*Stars (Les Misérables)*  
Jayson Coleman, Soloist

Claude-Michel Schonberg  
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### † Doxology

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

UMH 94

### Confession, Assurance, and Peace

**All: Author of righteousness, it is hard to be a holy people. You call us to love our neighbor as we love ourselves. But sometimes it makes us wonder: Have you ever met our neighbors? You call us to show no partiality, for you make the sun to shine on the evil and the good; and you cause the rain to fall on the righteous and the unrighteous. But sometimes it makes us question: Do you really know what you're asking of us? You assure us that your Spirit resides within us, that we are your holy temple, but we confess to feeling tired and empty. Forgive us, gracious God. In your righteousness, give us life, that we may truly live and know love's perfection. Amen.**

Liturgist: The One who makes the sun to shine on the evil and the good, the One who sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous, shows no partiality and loves us all with a fierce passion. Have no fear, beloved of God. Love one another as God has loved us. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

**All: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God! Amen.**

## Thanksgiving and Holy Communion

*Online worshipers are invited to select elements including bread and juice (or similar) from their homes to participate in Holy Communion. Please wait until directed before receiving your elements.*

## The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass 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.

## Prayer After Communion

### WE FOLLOW CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

#### † Closing Song

*Where Charity and Love Prevail*

UMH 549

1. Where charity and love prevail,  
there God is ever found;  
brought here together by Christ's love,  
by love are we thus bound.
2. With grateful joy and holy fear  
true charity we learn;  
let us with heart and mind and strength  
now love Christ in return.
3. Forgive we now each other's faults  
as we our faults confess;  
and let us love each other well  
in Christian holiness.
4. Let strife among us be unknown,  
let all contention cease;  
be Christ the glory that we seek,  
be ours his holy peace.
5. Let us recall that in our midst  
dwells God's begotten Son;  
as members of his body joined,  
we are in him made one.
6. Love can exclude no race or creed  
if honored be God's name;  
our common life embraces all  
whose Maker is the same.

† **Benediction**

**Postlude**

*Postlude in D Minor*

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