

Bible Meditation — The Gospel of Luke, the Beloved Physician An Introduction

Find a quiet place, alone and apart from distractions. Be comfortably alert, still, and at peace. Say the Lord's Prayer. Sing or cant the Jesus Prayer. Pray for family, friends, neighbors, and yourself. Slowly and carefully read the passage of Scripture.

1. This Gospel is the story of the Jewish Messiah written by a Gentile, and is the first of two books, which are the Gospel and the Book of Acts. The date of the writings is between 62 and 64 AD according to the majority of Biblical commentators. There are other views as well.
2. Some distinguishing characteristics of Luke are: He traces Jesus' genealogy to Adam; he commends Samaritans, which is revolutionary; he shows there is a place for women as followers of Jesus; he shows that Gentiles will accept the Gospel; he has more of the parables of Jesus than the other Gospel writers; he is the most educated of the Gospel writers; he spent years in association with the ministry of Paul, and Paul highly commends Luke; Luke is writing to second generation Christians; one of Luke's reasons for writing his Gospel and Acts is to show the message of Jesus had reached Rome and that the Gospel is to be proclaimed to the entire world; the Gospel and Acts are addressed to Theophilus, which means friend of God; Luke acts as a historian as he spoke with eye witnesses to the ministry of Jesus; Luke is careful to show that the events of Jesus' life were in fulfillment of ancient prophecy; he shows that Christianity is not a new religion but is the fulfillment of the faith of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.
3. Though trained as a physician, he may still have been a slave, a circumstance common in that day.
4. Of special note are the "we" and "us" passages in Acts, among which are Acts 16:10–17, Acts 20:5–21:18, and Acts 27:1–28–16. It is recommended that these passages be examined.

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Leader: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.
People: And also with you.

The Gloria Patri

Hymn: #342 [Rock of Ages](#)

Call to Worship:

Sh'ma Yisrael Adonai Elohenu Adonai echad

"Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one."

Leader:

We are here to struggle with God.

This holy God with whom we engage and serve,

Who calls for us to turn away from our sin,

Who commands that we love Him,

Who demands that we love our neighbor,

Who invites us to follow His Son along the narrow way;

Let us worship this God with Whom we will wrestle.

Morning Prayer — Prayers of the Church — Silent Prayer

Collect of the Day:

OUR LORD JESUS, YOU HAVE ENDURED THE DOUBTS AND FOOLISH QUESTIONS OF EVERY GENERATION. FORGIVE US FOR TRYING TO BE JUDGE OVER YOU, AND GRANT US THE CONFIDENT FAITH TO ACKNOWLEDGE YOU AS LORD. AMEN.

We Confess our Faith — The Apostle's Creed

Scripture Reading:

Acts 28:28–31; Colossians 4:14; 2 Timothy 4:9–11; Philemon 23–24

Memory Verse: And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, since he also is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost." Luke 19:9–10

Reflection: The Gospel of Luke is the story of the Jewish Messiah written by a Gentile.

Choruses: “Knowing You” and “You’re the Lifter of My Head”

Offertory Theme: Giving—a sign of intimate fellowship.

Receiving of Tithes and Offerings

Ways to give when not present at service:

- 1) Go to the “Giving” page of our website: milleravenuechurch.org/giving and click on the “Donate” button, then follow the link.
- 2) Download the GivePlus+ app on your smartphone, then input Miller Avenue Church and follow the instructions.
- 3) Text a dollar amount (e.g., \$25) to 844-918-0231, then follow the link.
- 4) Mail a check to Miller Avenue Church, 285 Miller Ave., Mill Valley, CA 94941

The Doxology

Announcements: Birthdays. Next quarterly congregational meeting: October 24 for consideration of the 2022 budget. **Masks are again “REQUIRED” for vaccinated and non-vaccinated alike except while at the mic.**

Bible Exposition—Colossians 4:2–6 (Daniel)

Hymn: #401 The Church’s One Foundation (5v)

Sermon— The Gospel of Luke, the Beloved Physician—An Introduction, (Kent)

Notes:

Benediction Song:

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,
We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord.
And we pray that all unity will one day be restored,
And they will know we are Christians by our love, by our love, yes they will know
we are Christians by our love.

Aaronic Benediction (Numbers 6:24–26):

May the LORD bless you and keep you; may the LORD make His face to shine
upon you and be gracious to you; may the LORD lift up His countenance upon you
and give you peace. Shalom. Amen.

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Community Blog, Newsletters, Bulletins, Photo Gallery, Giving Portal,
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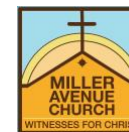
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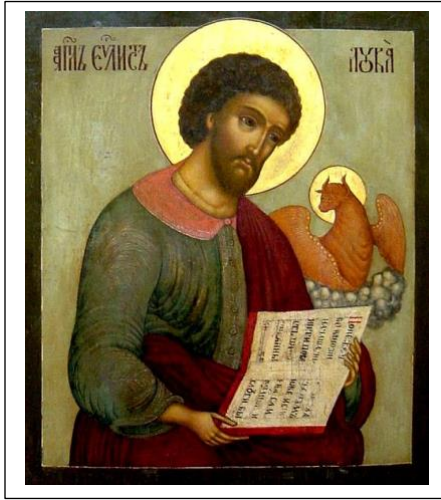
Our “Miller Avenue Church” video-on-demand apps are now on:
Your iPhone (at the App Store) or Android phone (at the Play Store) plus

Roku
Apple TV
Fire TV
Google TV
YouTube
Cross.TV

Our Bible Study podcasts are also on:
Apple podcasts, Amazon music/audible, Gaana, YouTube Music, iHeartRadio,
Radio.com mobile app, and Spotify (look for “Miller Avenue Church”)

Questions? ask katie@milleravenuechurch.org





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← “Saint Luke the Evangelist” Russian Eastern Orthodox icon from Russia. 18th century.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE POST-PANDEMIC	
SUNDAY	
Morning Worship (<i>in person and via Zoom</i>)	10:30am–12:00pm
Lunch and Collegium (<i>next to last Sunday</i>)	12:20pm–1:20pm
Evening Worship (<i>via Zoom for episodes of “The Chosen” + discussion</i>) IF THERE IS INTEREST	5:00pm–6:30pm
TUESDAY	
Bible Study via Zoom (currently on Kent’s book, <i>Christian Basics</i>)	6:00–7:00pm
WEDNESDAY	
Divorce Recovery Workshop (<i>via Zoom</i>)	7:00pm–8:30pm
SATURDAY	
Donated Food Pickup front of chapel	11:00am–1:00pm

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Apostles’ Creed

I believe in God the Father almighty,
 Creator of heaven and earth.
 I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son,
 our Lord. He was conceived by the power
 of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin
 Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
 was crucified, died, and was buried.
 He descended to the dead. On the third
 day He rose again. He ascended into
 heaven and is seated at the right hand
 of the Father. He will come again
 to judge the living and the dead.
 I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy
 Christian Church, the communion
 of the saints, the forgiveness of sins,
 the resurrection of the body,
 and the life everlasting. **Amen**

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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.
 Lead us not into temptation
 but deliver us from evil.
 For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
 and the glory forever. **Amen**

Visitor Information Card

✂ Please tear off and fill out card. Place in offering basket or give to church staff member.

Today’s Date: _____

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Prayer Request

Please pray for:

Other comments:

I would like someone to contact me to pray over more confidential matters.

Phone: _____

Email: _____

I would like to learn more about:

- Christianity
- The Bible
- Baptism
- Receiving Counseling
- Deliverance Ministry
- Other

I am interested in helping with:

- Lunch
- Fix-up and Clean-up
- Donated Food Pick-up
- Worship music
- Worship Audio/Visual
- Television Crewing
- Pastoral Care Team
- Teaching
- Writing and Publishing
- Website Maintenance
- Other _____

I am interested in attending:

- Wed. Eve. Divorce Recovery
- Men's Group (TBD)
- Women's Bible Study
- Pastor's class on Deliverance
- Class on Christian Basics

Other Comments:

**Upcoming Preaching Schedule
Morning Service:**

- Oct. 24:** Sermon= Luke 1:1-4 (Kent)
Expo= Colossians 4:7-11 (Doug)
- Oct. 31:** Sermon= Luke 1:5-25 (Jim)
Expo= Colossians 4:12-18 (Monty)
- Nov. 7:** Expo= Galatians 1:1-5 (Katie)
Sermon= Luke 1:26-38 (Kent)

Evening Service:

Currently watching episodes of "The Chosen" (via Zoom) with discussion following.

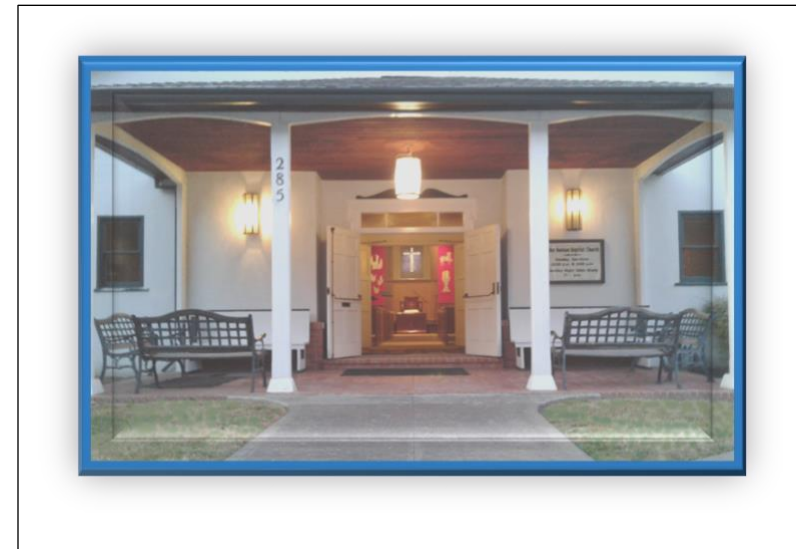
Filming schedule at CMCM has resumed most Thursday afternoons. Contact Kent or Katie if you are interested in learning how to crew on our productions.

TV Program Viewing Schedule
(View all on channel 26 or 99)

Why We Are Christians: Saturdays 1:30 and Fridays 7:30 PM
Bible Study: Fridays 8:00 PM
The Rabbi/Shaman/Wiccan and the Pastor: Sundays noon, Mondays 2:30 PM

For current daily broadcast schedule, check online at cmcm.tv/watchcommunity

Giving:	
Monthly Budget	\$3,500
Giving for October	\$1,780



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An Evangelical and Reformed Congregation*

*For I am not ashamed of the gospel,
 for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes,
 to the Jew first and also to the Greek.
 (Romans 1:16)*

Welcome!

October 17, 2021

*We claim the original, non-political, Biblical meaning of "Gospel Proclamation"