

The Coming of the Kingdom Luke 17:20–37

1. Pharisees ask Jesus when the kingdom or reign of the Messiah would begin, and Jesus says that it will come but without it being seen.
2. Instead, the kingdom of God was already present, and indeed, is right in front of them.
3. Then to His own disciples, Jesus says that they will desire to see the Son of Man, meaning Himself, but they will not see Him, thus referring to the ascension, His return to heaven.
4. But others will come claiming to be the Christ; they are to be rejected. A day is coming however when they will see Him. Yet, before that time, He will be rejected, meaning the cross.
5. In fact, life will go on as normal, but as in the days of Noah and Lot, speaking of the great flood and Sodom being destroyed, He will return or be revealed as the Messiah.
6. Meanwhile, people will seek to preserve their lives, but they will lose them, yet those who lose their lives because of following Jesus as the Christ will live. Here is an allusion to the reality of heaven and hell.
7. Indeed, life on the planet will continue, but it will be clear and plain when the Kingdom of God does in fact appear.

Notes:

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

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

The Gloria Patri

Hymn: # 602 I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

Call to Worship:

Sh'ma Yisrael Adonai Elohenu Adonai echad

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

Leader: Jesus Christ, our Lord, is sending us out into the whole world to be His witnesses.

People: AS WE GO, HE IS WITH US ALWAYS, EMPOWERING US THROUGH THE HOLY SPIRIT.

Leader: We are here to honor and obey this *sending* God.

People: TO THIS GREAT CHALLENGE WE GIVE OUR ALL.

Morning Prayer — Prayers of the Church — Silent Prayer

Collect of the Day:

ALMIGHTY AND EVERLASTING GOD, RULER OF HEAVEN AND EARTH. HEAR OUR PRAYER AND GIVE US YOU PEACE NOW AND FOREVER, THROUGH YOUR SON, JESUS CHRIST OUR LORD. Amen.

We Confess our Faith — The Apostle's Creed

Scripture Reading: : Matthew 24:3–14, 15–28, 36-44; Romans 14:17;
1 Thessalonians 4:13–18; 5:1–5; 2 Peter 2:4–10

Memory Verses: “For false Christs and false prophets will arise and perform great signs and wonders, so as to lead astray, if possible, even the elect.”
Matthew 24:24

Reflection: The Kingdom is yet to come, and we are looking forward to it.

Choruses: “Jesus, Name Above All Names” and “Lord, Send A Revival” and special music with John and Merrily

Offertory Theme: Sacrificial giving is part of our work.

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?

Bible Exposition: Romans 5:15–17 (Doug)

Hymn: # 718 Day by Day

Sermon: Luke 17: 20–37 “The Coming of the Kingdom” (James)

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’ll know we are Christians, by our love, by our love,
Yes, they’ll 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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TV Shows, Worship Service Videos, Audio Sermons, Essays, Pastor’s Blog, Community Blog, Newsletters, Bulletins, Photo Gallery, Giving Portal, and more!

Also visit our Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/miller.avenue.church.mill.valley>

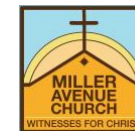
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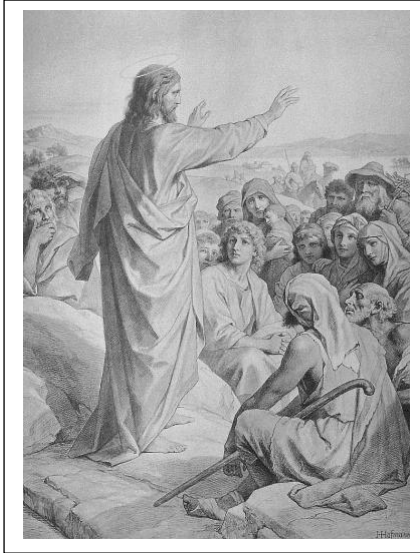
Our “Miller Avenue Church” video-on-demand apps are now on:
Your iPhone (at the App Store) or Android phone (at the Play Store) plus

Roku
Apple TV
Fire TV
Google TV
YouTube
Cross.TV

Our Bible Study podcasts and Sunday morning sermons 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





Ministry Associates

- Kent Philpott** - Senior Pastor
- Katie Philpott** - Associate Pastor
- James Daley** - Associate Pastor
- Doug Fairclough** - Associate Pastor
- Daniel Dover** – Preaching/Handyman
- Andrea Busta** - Audio-Visual
- Shirley Laur** – Pastoral Ministry

←"Jesus Preaching to the Multitude" by Heinrich Hofmann, 1893

WEEKLY SCHEDULE	
SUNDAY	
Morning Worship (<i>in person and via Zoom</i>)	10:30am–12:00pm
Snacks and Gathering	12:20pm–1:20pm
Evening Worship (<i>in person and via Zoom</i>)	suspended
TUESDAY	
Bible Study in the parsonage	New time TBA
WEDNESDAY	
Divorce Recovery Workshop (<i>via Zoom</i>)	7:00pm–8:30pm
THURSDAY	
Bible Study in the parsonage	6:00pm –7:00 pm
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 (TBD)
- Zoom Class on Christian Basics

Other Comments:

**Upcoming Preaching Schedule
Morning Service:**

- Mar. 5:** Sermon= Luke 18:1–14 (Kent)
No exposition on Communion Sunday
- Mar. 12:** Sermon= Luke 18:15–30 (Kent)
Expo: Romans 6:1–4 (Katie)
- Mar. 19:** Sermon= Luke 18:31–43 (Kent)
Expo: Romans 6:5–11 (Daniel)

Sunday Evening Service:

Suspended temporarily: In person and Zoomed worship service starts at 6:00 p.m.

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 cable channel 26 or 99)

- Why We Are Christians: Saturdays 1:30 and Fridays 7:30 PM*
- Bible Study: Fridays 8:00 PM*
- Spiritual Paths 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 February	\$2,178



Miller Avenue Baptist Church

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!

February 26, 2023

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