

The Gospel of
MARK



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Who is Jesus?

Prelude
Adagietto
(George F. Handel)



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**Come All Christians,
Be Committed**
(#578)



Come, all Christians, be committed
To the service of the lord;
Make your lives for him more fitted,
Tune your hearts with one accord.



Come into His courts with gladness,
All your sacred vows renew,
Turn away from sin and sadness,
Be transformed with life anew.



Of your time and talents give ye,
They are gifts from God above;
To be used by Christians freely
To proclaim His wondrous love.



Come again to serve the Savior,
Tithes and offerings with you bring.
In your work, with him find favor,
And with joy His praises sing.



Come in praise and adoration,
All who on Christ's name believe;
Worship him with consecration,
Grace and love will you receive.



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For his grace give him the glory,
For the Spirit and the Word,
And repeat the gospel story
Until all his name have heard.



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Life Together

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- **Nancy Nelson Seminar** - after worship
- **Youth Group** - tonight 6pm
- **Sermon Studies** moved to Tuesdays, 9:30am
- **Wednesdays@Westminster** - September 30
- **September 28:** Ladies Night Out
- **New "Weekly" schedule**



Children's Moment

**May the Peace of Christ
be with you,**

And also with you!



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Who is Jesus?

Mark 1:16-28



As Jesus walked beside the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen. "Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will send you out to fish for people." At once they left their nets and followed him.



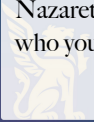
MARK 1:16-28

When he had gone a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John in a boat, preparing their nets. Without delay he called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men and followed him.



MARK 1:16-28

They went to Capernaum, and when the Sabbath came, Jesus went into the synagogue and began to teach. The people were amazed at his teaching, because he taught them as one who had authority, not as the teachers of the law. Just then a man in their synagogue who was possessed by an impure spirit cried out, "What do you want with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God!"



MARK 1:16-28

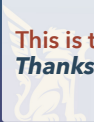
"Be quiet!" said Jesus sternly. "Come out of him!" The impure spirit shook the man violently and came out of him with a shriek.



MARK 1:16-28

The people were all so amazed that they asked each other, "What is this? A new teaching—and with authority! He even gives orders to impure spirits and they obey him." News about him spread quickly over the whole region of Galilee.

**This is the Word of the Lord,
Thanks be to God.**



MARK 1:16-28

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Who is Jesus?

**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 debts,
as we forgive our debtors;



And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom
and the power
and the glory, forever,
AMEN.



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Who is Jesus?

Proclaim the Works of the Lord

(J.Martin)



*Let all the people shout for joy,
Let all creation sing alleluia.
Let all the nations sing as one,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*



*Shout to the Lord,
rejoice and sing alleluia,
Sing unto God a new song.
Shout to the world and lift a glad alleluia
And proclaim the works of the Lord!*



*Let the hills and valleys resound
with alleluia,
Prepare the way of the Lord.
Let the people shout
and rejoice with loud hosanna,
Make known the wonders of the Lord!*



*Shout to the Lord,
rejoice and sing alleluia.
Sing unto God a new song.
Shout to the world and lift a glad alleluia
And proclaim the works of the Lord!*



*Alleluia, alleluia,
For the love of God is eternal,
His truth forever sure.
He is the King of kings,
How deep his mercy.*



*Our God is worthy,
Our God is holy,
All glory be to God on high!
All praise to God,
Shout unto God a new song!*



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Who is Jesus?



Week 1: *Good News Starts Here*
Week 2: A New Authority (Part 1)
Week 3: *A New Authority (Part 2)*
Week 4: *The Leader*
Week 5: *The Teacher*
Week 6: *The Deliverer*
Week 7: *The Rejected*
Week 8: *The Provider*
Week 9: *The Disrupter*
Week 10: *The Messiah*



As soon as they left the synagogue, they went with James and John to the home of Simon and Andrew. Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they immediately told Jesus about her. So he went to her, took her hand and helped her up. The fever left her and she began to wait on them.



Mark 1:29-31, NIV

That evening after sunset the people brought to Jesus all the sick and demon-possessed. The whole town gathered at the door, and Jesus healed many who had various diseases. He also drove out many demons, but he would not let the demons speak because they knew who he was.



Mark 1:32-34, NIV

Very early in the morning, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house and went off to a solitary place, where he prayed. Simon and his companions went to look for him, and when they found him, they exclaimed: "Everyone is looking for you!"



Mark 1:35-37, NIV

Jesus replied, "Let us go somewhere else—to the nearby villages—so I can preach there also. That is why I have come." So he traveled throughout Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and driving out demons.

This is the Word of the Lord,
Thanks be to God
Mark 1:38-39, NIV



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Who is Jesus?

Takeaway

Following Jesus begins with recognizing his authority.



Following Jesus

Recognizing His Authority

The Authority to Call (Mark 1:16-20)

The Authority to Confront (Mark 1:21-28)

The Authority to Restore (Mark 1:29-34)

The Authority to Set the Agenda
(Mark 1:35-39)



Following Jesus

Recognizing His Authority

"...there is absolutely nothing in what Jesus himself or his early followers taught that suggests you can *decide* just to enjoy forgiveness at Jesus' expense and have nothing more to do with him."

Dallas Willard,
The Great Omission



Following Jesus

Recognizing His Authority

"Our aim is to be pervasively possessed by Jesus through constant companionship with him."

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Who is Jesus?

God So Loved

(A. Bergthold / E. Cash / F. Cash /
M. Cash / S. Cash)



Come all you weary,
come all you thirsty
come to the well that never runs dry
Drink of the water,
come and thirst no more



Come all you sinners,
come find His mercy
come to the table, He will satisfy
Taste of His goodness,
find what you're looking for



For God so loved
the world that He gave us
His one and only Son to save us,
Whoever believes in Him
will live forever



Bring all your failures,
bring your addictions
Come lay them down at the
foot of the cross
Jesus is waiting there with open arms,
See His open arms



For God so loved
the world that He gave us
His one and only Son to save us,
Whoever believes in Him
will live forever



The power of hell forever defeated,
Now it is well, I'm walking in freedom
For God so loved,
God so loved the world



Praise God, praise God
From whom all blessings flow
Praise Him, praise Him
For the wonders of His love



Praise God, praise God
From whom all blessings flow
Praise Him, praise Him
For the wonders of His love,
His amazing love!



For God so loved
the world that He gave us
His one and only Son to save,



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the world that He gave us
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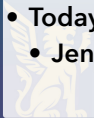


Opportunities to Serve



Opportunities

- Volunteers for AV Set Up/Tear Down
- Need Ushers
- Nom Com
 - Elders for Property and Personnel
- Harbor House Hot Meals Sept. 24
- Today: Mission Awareness Month Continues
 - Jennifer Witten, Westminster Free Clinic



MISSION STATEMENT



To strengthen the capacity of uninsured, working-poor individuals & families in Ventura County to thrive by:

- Providing free health & health-supporting services
- Meeting immediate needs
- Serving as a training site for students to explore careers in healthcare



AVAILABLE FREE SERVICES

- Basic Primary Care
- Diagnostic Labs
- Ultrasound and EKG Tests
- Chronic Disease Management
- Case Management
- Mental Health Services
- Nutrition Counseling
- Dental Services
- Vision Services & Eyeglasses
- Flu Vaccines
- Cancer Screenings
- Outreach & Education Education
- Food As Medicine Program



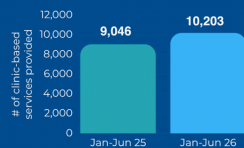
Impact Report - July 2025 to June 2026

INCREASED DEMAND FOR SERVICES

88 Avg. New Patients / Month across all clinic sites Jan - June 2026

Location	New Patients
Oxnard	52
Thousand Oaks	32
Santa Paula	5

13% More Services Provided than in the previous year



Reasons Why Patients Lost Insurance

- Job loss
- Was dropped from Medicare Advantage
- No longer can afford Covered California
- Did not renew Medi-Cal



Healthy Food As Medicine Distribution Program

28,246 Families Fed (117,165 people served)
7/1/2025 - 6/30/2026



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Give Financially

Our operating budget comes from:

- checks mailed to the church office
- Church Center Giving
- legacy gifts.
- collection during services on Sundays.

More information in Pew Racks



Offertory

Andante from Violin Concerto in A Minor

(J. S. Bach)

Jack Warwar, Violin; Brad Bietry, Piano

Doxology



Praise God from whom
all blessings flow,
praise God, all creatures
here below,



Praise God above,
ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son,
and Holy Ghost.
Amen.



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**I Have Decided
to Follow Jesus**



I have decided to follow Jesus,
I have decided to follow Jesus,
I have decided to follow Jesus—
no turning back, no turning back.



Though none go with me,
still I will follow,
though none go with me,
still I will follow,
though none go with me,
still I will follow-
no turning back, no turning back.



The world behind me,
the cross before me,
the world behind me,
the cross before me,
the world behind me,
the cross before me-
no turning back, no turning back.



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No turning back! no turning back!
No turning back! no turning back!
No turning back! no turning back!
No turning back! no turning back!



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Who is Jesus?

Go in the Grace of the Lord
(J. Barnard)



*Go in the grace of the Lord.
Walk in the way of his Word.
Stand in the strength of His promises,
and believe in your heart they are true.*



*Sit at the feet of the Savior.
Pray in the power of the Spirit.
Rise, and run the race with patience,
and go in the grace of the Lord.*



*Go in hope, God's hope.
Go in peace, God's peace.
Go in joy, everlasting joy
as you live in the fullness of His love.
Go in the grace of the Lord.*



Postlude
March
(G. F. Handel)

