

United Church of Christ of California ~ California, Missouri
Rev. Russell Cobb **Pastor**
Mrs. Beth Dampf **Organist**
Mrs. Becky Schneider **Bell Choir Director**

October 15, 2023 ~ Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

**All those who are able, please stand*

The Bell

The Prelude

Lighting of the Candles Amelia Howard & Royce Everett

Choral Opening

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

God has given us breath to live and spirit to sing.

Thanks be to God.

God has gathered us into a community of care and worship.

Let us worship God with love, thanksgiving, and praise.

*Hymn No. 463 “I Love to Tell the Story”

*Prayer of the Day

May this gathering be a blessing to you, O Lord! May our prayers and praises rise to your throne and bring you great joy. May our faith and love for you overflow to the desperate places of earth, so that others will find your healing and hope in their lives. All glory and love and thanks be to you, O Lord Jesus Christ! Amen.

*Call to Praise

O Lord, open our lips!

And our mouths shall show forth your praise!

*Act of Praise No. 493 “Gloria Patri” (*Glory be to the Father*)

Invitation to Children’s Time

Hymn for Children He’s Got the Whole World in His Hand”
(*p. 51 sing 1st verse twice*)

Children’s Time

Holly Bieri

Anthem “ America, the Beautiful”

Bell Choir

Prayer for Illumination

Beth Dampf

O Lord, may your Word be our beacon of hope amid the storms and troubles we face in this world. Still us, that we may hear your voice in this hour. Give us direction, that our lives may be filled with joy and fulfill your purpose in the world; through Jesus the Christ, the Word made flesh. Amen.

Scripture Lessons

First Lesson: Matthew 9:35-38 p. 843

Second Lesson: Matthew 28:16-20 p. 866

Sermon **On Mission: A Heart for Evangelism**
Acts 8:26-40

Hymn No. 538 “Rescue the Perishing”

Christians, what do you believe?

(Apostles’ Creed) **I believe in God the Father, Almighty...**

Prayer of Intercession

The Lord’s Prayer (*debts and debtors*)

Invitation to the Offering

*Response “*Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow*”

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn No. 74 “O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

*Benediction

*Congregational Response –

“God Be With You Till We Meet Again”

*God be with you till we meet again; By His counsels guide, uphold you,
With His sheep securely fold you; God be with you till we meet again.*

*Postlude

Activities Calendar: October 15, 2023 ~ October 22, 2023

Sunday, October 15, 2023, Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship

Tuesday, October 17, 2023

9:00 a.m. – Prayer Cell

6:30 p.m. – GriefShare

Wednesday, October 18, 2023

1:00 p.m. - Women’s Guild

6:00 p.m. - Fellowship Meal

6:30 p.m. – Bell Choir, ROK/God Singers, Confirmation, Marriage Class

7:30 p.m. - Sr. Choir practice

Sunday, October 22, 2023, Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship

November Tidings News due by October 20th

Looking ahead.....

October 23 – Brotherhood

November 5th – All Saints Sunday-Communion

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rhonda@calmo-ucc.org

Youth Group Fundraiser

The youth group will be hosting the **Wednesday night meal** on **Wednesday, October 25th**. They will be having a Taco bar. Mark your calendars and come support the youth.

MCMC Food Pantry Donations

The churches in the California Ministerial Alliance are each taking a monthly turn at gathering food items for the *Moniteau Christian Ministries Center (MCMC)*. **October is our month**. Please bring food items any time during the month. There is a box in the lobby area downstairs for your donations. Thanks for sharing in this special community ministry.

Wednesday Evening Meal, October 18 - 6:00 p.m.

Lasagna, Salad, Fruit and Garlic Bread

Wednesday Evening Meal Reservations

There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board by the kitchen for donating desserts & helping in the kitchen with clean up, drying dishes & wiping tables down.

Your help will be much appreciated!

Sign Up for Wednesday Evening Meals

Sign up on the clip board at the office window
or at the back of the sanctuary.

Or by 4:00 Monday:

Call the church office (796-4885)

Email Rhonda: rhonda@calmo-ucc.org

Sr. High Youth will meet October 29th at 4:00 p.m. at the Ingrams to carve pumpkins. See Dyan or Kris for more information.

Men's Morning Bible Study

Friday, November 3rd at the Crossroads Plaza Dairy Barn.

Coffee and Bible study at 6:00 am and breakfast at 6:30 am. This is a community Bible study for men that will meet the first Friday of each month.

Please pray for these . . .

Love & Justice in God's World

Confirmands:

**Kalyn Carlock, Aubrey Davis, Emma Kissick, Khloe Mortenson
and Brooks Nichols**

All Those Who Need Our Prayers, including:

Becky Zuidervaat Darren & Kylee Rowles and twins

Jo Suggs Judy Kilmer Bill Schacht Courtney Hees

All Those Serving in the U.S. Military, including:

Martin Knipker (*son of Kenny Knipker*)

Dwight Bowlin (*grandson of Jack & the late Carole Bowlin, Fort Campbell,
KY*)

Dakota Meyer (*grandson of Billy Meyer, Ft. Carson, Colorado Springs, CO*)

Madelynn Perry (*granddaughter of Jan Anderson, army – Europe*)

Dylan Ash (*son of Lanny & Ellen Ash, stationed at Oak Harbor, WA*)

Hayden Grant (*grandson of Kathy Grant, Air Force, Okinawa, Japan*)

Cory Friedmeyer (*grandson of Charles Goode, Reserves, VA*)

Derek Meyer (*grandson of Elaine & Eldred Proctor, Army, Monterey, CA*)

Brett Street (*grandson of Jenine Baker, Army, Ft. Elmendorf, AK*)

Damion Street (*grandson of Jenine Baker, Army, Munich, Germany*)

Sermon Notes On Mission: A Heart for Evangelism- Acts 8:26-40

Nursery Attendant

We have a new Nursery Attendant! The Consistory recently approved Reagan Cain as the Nursery Attendant. Reagan is a Junior at California R-1 High School. She is active in Volleyball, Choir, FFA, Student Council, National Honor Society and Fellowship Christian Athletes. She is CPR certified and is a lifeguard at the City and California Country Club pools. She is the daughter of Randy and Monica Cain and attends the Annunciation Catholic Church. Reagan will be available in the nursery from 9:30 to 11:45 each Sunday. If you see her, please make her feel welcome!

Historical Committee Request—

The UCC Historical Committee is planning to display pictures of veterans from our church families in our display case during the month of November. Please bring pictures of your families' veterans (5 x 7 or larger preferred, but smaller is ok if that's what you have) and leave them with Rhonda in the office or give them to a committee member during the month of October. We will return them after November. Thanks— Your Historical Committee, Norman Rohrbach, Brett Hall and Phyllis Miller

A Nursery is available in the upstairs hallway, just outside the sanctuary. The nursery attendant is Reagan Cain. There are activity bags at the back of the sanctuary for children that stay in the worship service.

Need some help with hearing? See an usher at the back of the sanctuary to check out a hearing assisted unit for your personal use in the sanctuary and in the Friendship Hall. We have new units available.

Notice the “Connection Cards” in the pews. They are for our guests or anyone that has a prayer request or needs more information about the church. Please place it in the offering plate.

Pastor Cobb is approaching his 5 year anniversary as the Pastor.

The Consistory is asking the members of the church for feedback through the survey link or the QR Code below. Please complete and return the survey by October 23rd or before. If the church office has your current email, you should have received an email with the link as well. If you prefer a paper copy, they are available in the back of the sanctuary or in the church office.

If you have questions, please see one of the Consistory members.

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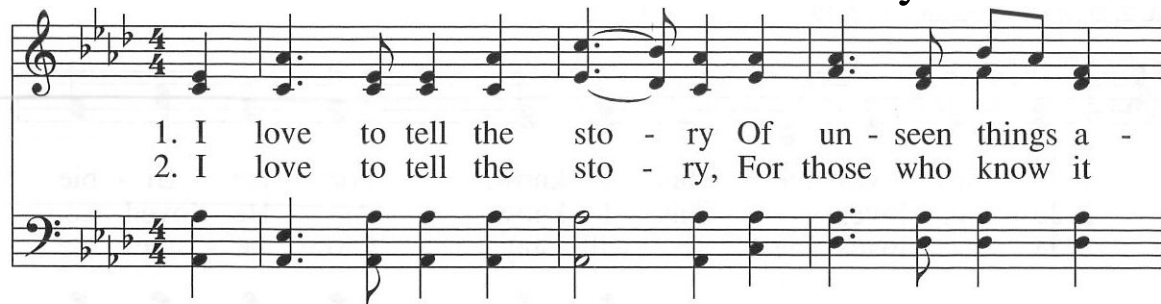
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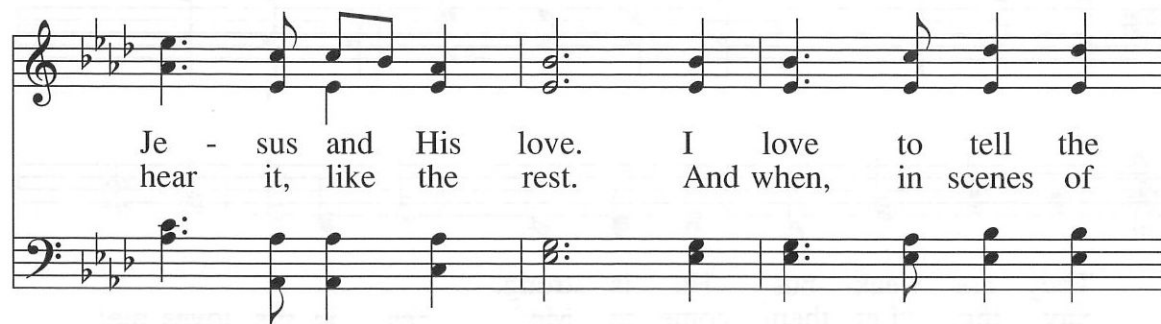
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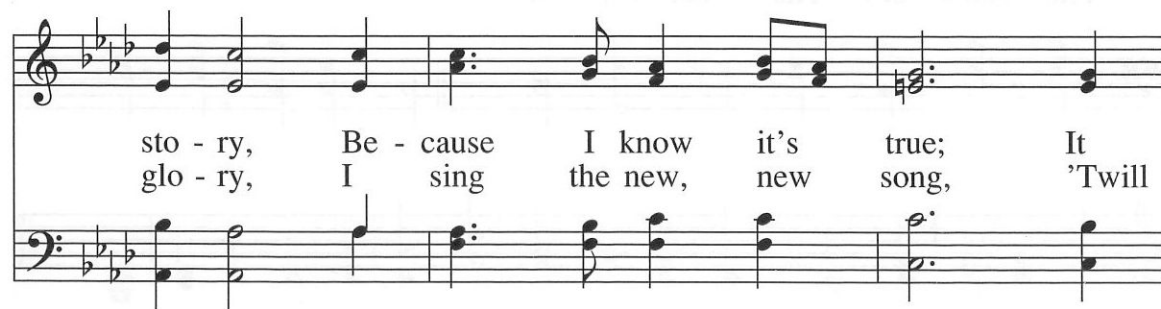
1. I love to tell the sto - ry Of un - seen things a -
2. I love to tell the sto - ry, For those who know it



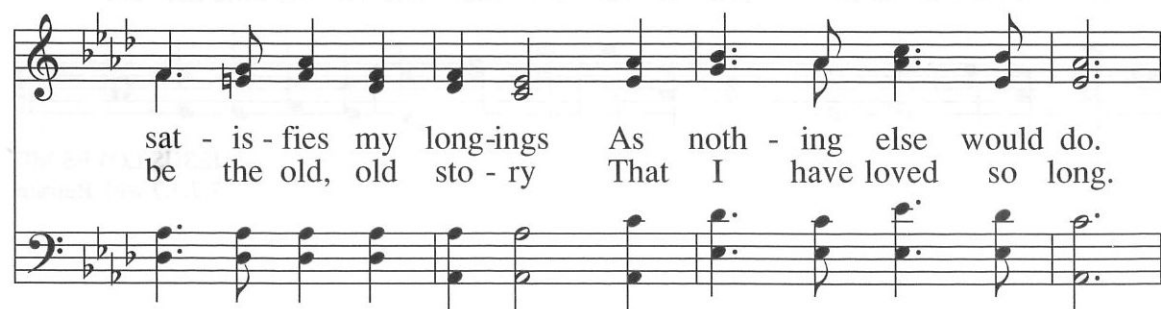
bove, Of Je - sus and His glo - ry, Of
best Seem hun - ger - ing and thirst - ing To



Je - sus and His love. I love to tell the
hear it, like the rest. And when, in scenes of



sto - ry, Be - cause I know it's true; It
glo - ry, I sing the new, new song, 'Twill

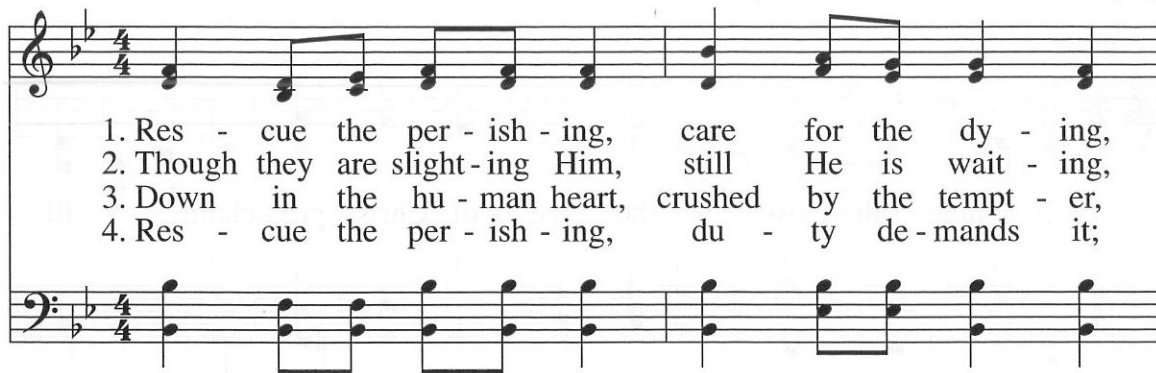


sat - is - fies my long - ings As noth - ing else would do.
be the old, old sto - ry That I have loved so long.

I love to tell the sto-ry; 'Twill be my theme in glo-ry

To tell the old, old sto-ry Of Je-sus and His love.

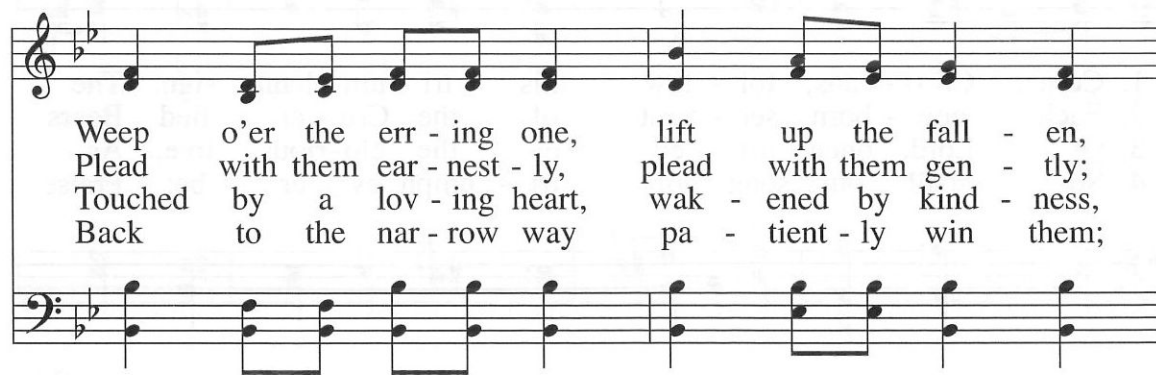
Rescue the Perishing



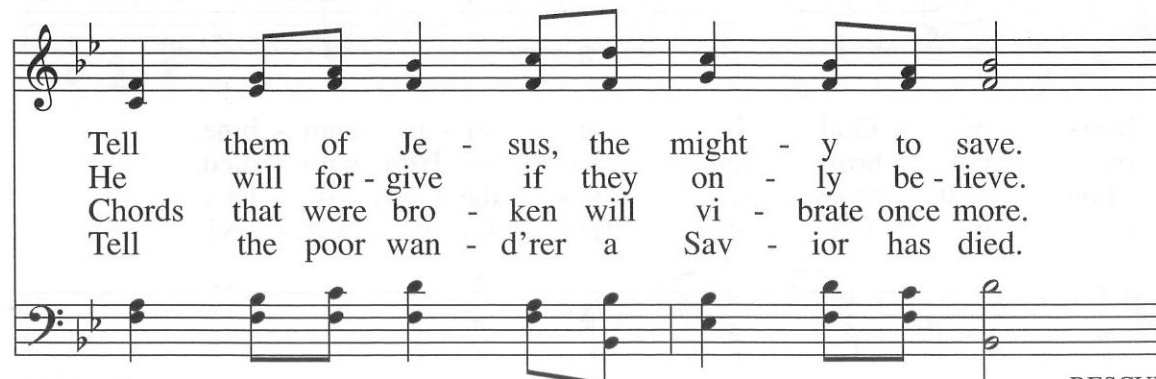
1. Res - cue the per - ish - ing, care for the dy - ing,
2. Though they are slight - ing Him, still He is wait - ing,
3. Down in the hu - man heart, crushed by the tempt - er,
4. Res - cue the per - ish - ing, du - ty de - mands it;



Snatch them in pit - y from sin and the grave;
Wait - ing the pen - i - tent child to re - ceive;
Feel - ings lie bur - ied that grace can re - store;
Strength for thy la - bor the Lord will pro - vide;



Weep o'er the err - ing one, lift up the fall - en,
Plead with them ear - nest - ly, plead with them gen - tly;
Touched by a lov - ing heart, wak - ened by kind - ness,
Back to the nar - row way pa - tient - ly win them;



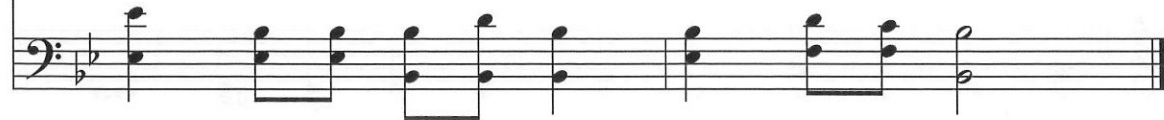
Tell them of Je - sus, the might - y to save.
He will for - give if they on - ly be - lieve.
Chords that were bro - ken will vi - brate once more.
Tell the poor wan - d'rers a Sav - ior has died.



Res - cue the per - ish - ing, care for the dy - ing;



Je - sus is mer - ci - ful, Je - sus will save.



O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

1. O for a thou - sand tongues to sing My
2. My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, As -
3. Glo - ry to God and praise and love Be

The first system of the hymn features a treble and bass staff in G major (one sharp) and 3/2 time. The melody is in the treble staff, and the bass staff provides a simple harmonic accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the treble staff, with three verses of text aligned with the notes.

great Re - deem - er's praise, The glo - ries of my
sist me to pro - claim, To spread through all the
ev - er, ev - er giv'n By saints be - low and

The second system continues the melody and accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the treble staff, with three verses of text aligned with the notes.

God and King, The tri - umphs of His grace!
earth a - broad The hon - ors of Thy name.
saints a - bove, The Church in earth and heav'n. A - men.

The third system concludes the hymn. The melody ends with a double bar line and a repeat sign. The lyrics are written below the treble staff, with three verses of text aligned with the notes.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth:

And in Jesus Christ, his only begotten Son,
our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy
Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary; suffered
under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead,
and buried; he descended into hell; the
third day he arose again from the dead; he
ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the
right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the
quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit; the one
Holy universal Christian Church; the
communion of saints; the forgiveness of
sins; the resurrection of the body; and the
life everlasting. Amen.

GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
And to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now,
and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.

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 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 for ever. Amen.

DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom all blessings
flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

KYRIE

Minister: Lord, have mercy upon us.

Congregation: Lord, have mercy upon us.

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