

United Church of Christ of California – California, MO
Joshua Mullins
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Guest Speaker
Organist
Sr. Choir Director

November 12, 2023 ~ Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

The Bell

The Prelude

Lighting of the Candles

Choral Opening

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

The Lord is my rock, my fortress, and my deliverer,
my rock in whom I take refuge,
my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.
We love you, O Lord, our strength and our redeemer.

*Hymn No. 65 “My Jesus, I Love Thee”

*Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, we are here seeking an extra measure of reassurance, the restoration of our best selves and the clarification of our responsibilities. Be known to us in this time of worship and grant us your peace. 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 Kendra Hall

Anthem “Heavenly Highway” Sr. Choir

Prayer for Illumination Becky Schneider

**O God, our refuge and strength, the giver of all goodness –
Hear the prayers of your church; and grant our request
according to your will. In Jesus name. Amen.**

Scripture Lessons

First Lesson: Deuteronomy 7:22-25 p.159

Second Lesson: Hosea 2:14-16 p. 777

Third Lesson: Ephesians 4:25-32 p. 1019

Sermon **Wild Kingdom: Joshua & Judges**
The Valley of Achor – Joshua 7:10-26

Hymn No. 451 “Lead on, O King Eternal”

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. 353 “Be Thou My Vision”

*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: November 12, 2023 ~ November 19, 2023

Sunday, November 12, 2023 Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship

Monday, November 13, 2023

6:00 p.m. – Consistory

Tuesday, November 14, 2023

9:00 a.m. – Prayer Cell

6:30 p.m. – Holiday Grief Share Meeting

Wednesday, November 15, 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, November 19, 2023, Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship

7:00 p.m. – Thanksgiving Worship at First Baptist Church

Looking ahead.....

November 23 and 24, Thanksgiving Holidays- office closed

November 26, Totenfest Sunday

November 27, Brotherhood 7 p.m.

December 3, First Sunday of Advent – Holy Communion

Wednesday Evening Meal – Nov. 15, 6:00 p.m.

Baked Potato Bar

Don’t forget to sign up!

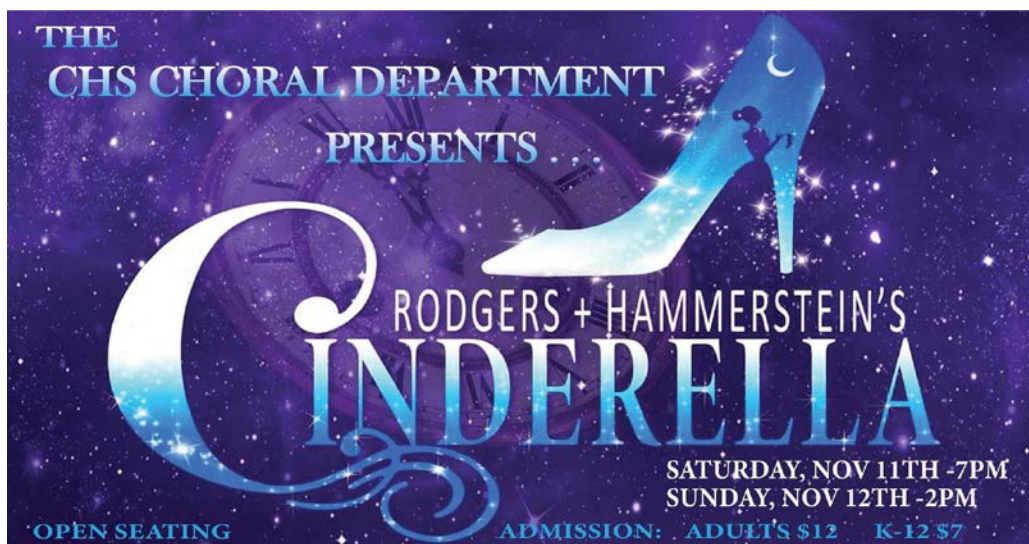


Sunday ROK (Reaching Our Kids)

Today

after children's time until the end of the worship service for **Grades K-3rd grade**. We will have a Bible story video with BibleForce Heroes, talk about our Bible story, sing songs and have a snack. All the kids in this age group are invited to come down to the Fellowship Hall with Ronda Mortenson. Sunday ROK will take place the **second Sunday of each month**. You can pick up your child in the Fellowship Hall at the end of the worship service.

TODAY, NOVEMBER 12



Community Thanksgiving Worship
At the First Baptist Church
Sunday, November 19th 7:00 p.m.

Operation Christmas Child Shoebox

“Every shoebox offers an opportunity to share the
Good News of Jesus Christ with a child.”

Franklin Graham



It's time for
Operation Christmas Shoebox!!!!

Please take a shoebox, fill it with love, toys, books and prayers!!

**Please have all boxes returned to the church
no later than **Sunday morning, November 19.**

Please make sure the box is taped and sealed shut along w/ a label that's marked
with the appropriate age for either a boy or girl.

Please see example downstairs in the foyer area. If you have any questions,
please don't hesitate to reach out to Courtney Cassil by either calling 573-680-
5347 or email at Courtney.Cassil@gmail.com

GRIEF SHARE – SURVIVING THE HOLIDAYS

The Holiday Season is just around the corner and for many this is the first holiday after the loss of a loved one or it might be the second, third or more. During this season you may be facing some tough emotions during family events, social parties, yearly traditions and these can blindsides you. You can lessen these by knowing what to expect and being prepared. Join us for “Surviving the Holiday’s” on **November 14th at 6:30 pm.** Please let us know you will be joining us by contacting the church office. This will allow us to have enough survival guides on hand.

Thanksgiving Day, November 23rd, the Ministerial Alliance will sponsor a drive thru and carry out Thanksgiving meal from 11:00-1:00 at the California Nutrition Center. If you have a neighbor or family member that would like a delicious Thanksgiving meal, please invite them to partake or if you would like to help serve, please see Russ.

Fill a Ford for the Cargill Cares Food Pantry

November 1-15, 2023

Items needed: peanut butter, tuna, canned veggies/fruit, mac & cheese, stuffing, pie filling, or anything to complete their Holiday meals! Drop off your food at Sakelaris Ford in California during business hours.

Giving Tree

The Sunday School is sponsoring this year's Giving Tree on **Sunday, December 3** during opening. This is also known as the "sock and glove tree". We will be collecting donations of children or youth sized socks, gloves, underwear, belts, etc. and they can be placed under the Christmas tree on the stage in the Friendship Hall during the opening. These donations are distributed to local elementary students on an as-needed basis and are also distributed in the buddy packs that go out to local kids before Christmas break. The school is always in need of items like this and your donations are greatly appreciated.

Please pray for these . . .

Love & Justice in God's World

Family and Friends of

Vivian Fisher (*Laura Burger's mother*)

Rosemary Overbey (*John Overbey's mother*)

Dorothy Schnieders (*Leroy Schnieder's mother*)

Confirmands:

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

All Those Who Need Our Prayers, including:

Becky Zuidervaart Bill Schacht Beth Rohrbach

Jo Suggs Judy Kilmer

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*)

Toys for Tots

If you would like to donate new, unwrapped toys, there is a box downstairs in the foyer to put them in. These toys go to families within Moniteau County only. You can donate toys now up to **December 2nd**. If you would like to help sort toys or distribute them, please let Dyan or Kris Ingram know by **December 2nd** as well.

Messiah Sing-Along

Rehearsals on Sundays at 4:30 pm at the UCC Friendship Hall
Performance will be **December 3** at 3:00pm
at the Performing Arts Center

ANGEL TREE

Please stop by downstairs to pick up an Angel or drop off a monetary donation or see Carla Clennin.
Gifts need to be returned to the UCC Church
On or before December 10th

*Rev. Cobb: rev.cobb@calmo-ucc.org; 573-489-7891 (cell phone)
rhonda@calmo-ucc.org, Church office: 573-796-4885
Website: www.calmo-ucc.org*

Poinsettia Order Form

The plants will be red with gold foil &
a white bow. (6" pot)

If you would like to have a poinsettia placed in the sanctuary in memory or honor of a loved one, we have those available for \$14.00 each. Please provide the following information.

By (Name) _____

Phone _____

In Memory of _____

or

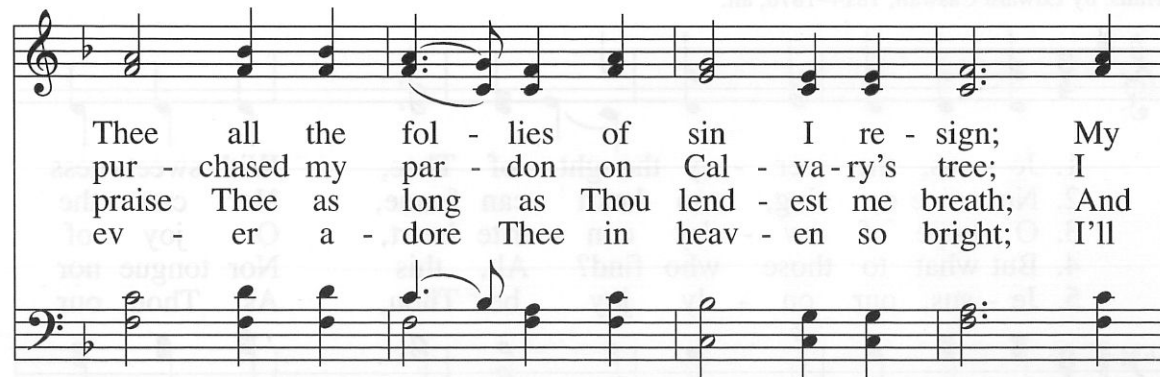
In Honor of _____

*Please have this information to the church office, along with a check for \$14.00 made payable to the U.C.C. of California, by **Monday, December 4th.***

My Jesus, I Love Thee



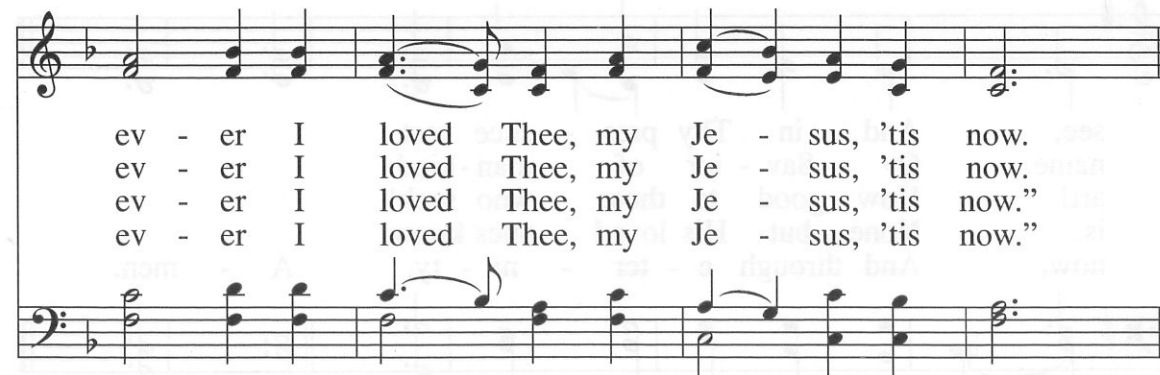
1. My Je - sus, I love Thee, I know Thou art mine; For
2. I love Thee, be - cause Thou hast first lov - ed me, And
3. I'll love Thee in life, I will love Thee in death, And
4. In man - sions of glo - ry and end - less de - light, I'll



Thee all the fol - lies of sin I re - sign; My
pur - chased my par - don on Cal - va - ry's tree; I
praise Thee as long as Thou lend - est me breath; And
ev - er a - dore Thee in heav - en so bright; I'll



gra - cious Re - deem - er, my Sav - ior art Thou; If
love Thee for wear - ing the thorns on Thy brow; If
say when the death - dew lies cold on my brow; "If
sing with the glit - ter - ing crown on my brow; "If



ev - er I loved Thee, my Je - sus, 'tis now.
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Lead On, O King Eternal



1. Lead on, O King E - ter - nal, The day of march has come;
2. Lead on, O King E - ter - nal, Till sin's fierce war shall cease,
3. Lead on, O King E - ter - nal, We fol - low, not with fears,



Hence-forth in fields of con - quest Thy tents shall be our home.
And ho - li - ness shall whis - per The sweet a - men of peace.
For glad - ness breaks like morn - ing Wher-e'er Thy face ap - pears.



Through days of prep - a - ra - tion Thy grace has made us strong,
For not with swords loud clash - ing, Nor roll of stir - ring drums,
Thy cross is lift - ed o'er us; We jour - ney in its light;



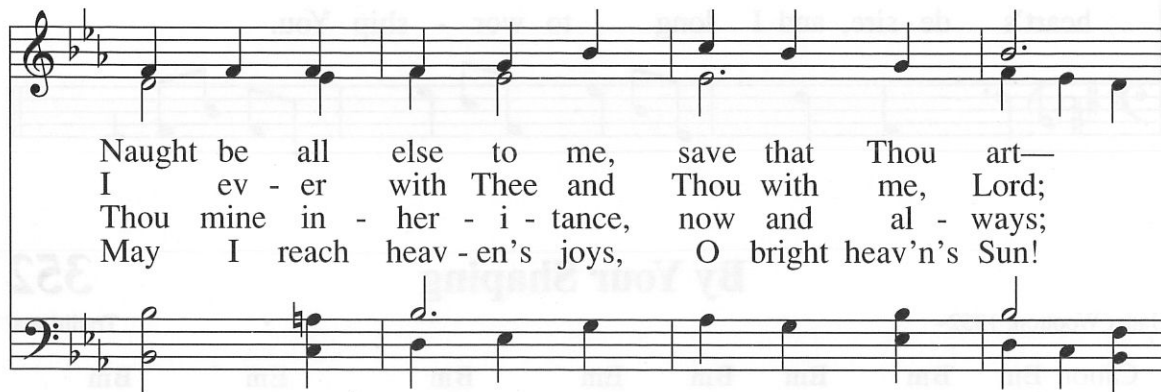
And now, O King E - ter - nal, We lift our bat - tle song.
But deeds of love and mer - cy, The heav'n-ly king - dom comes.
The crown a - waits the con-quest; Lead on, O God of might! A-men.



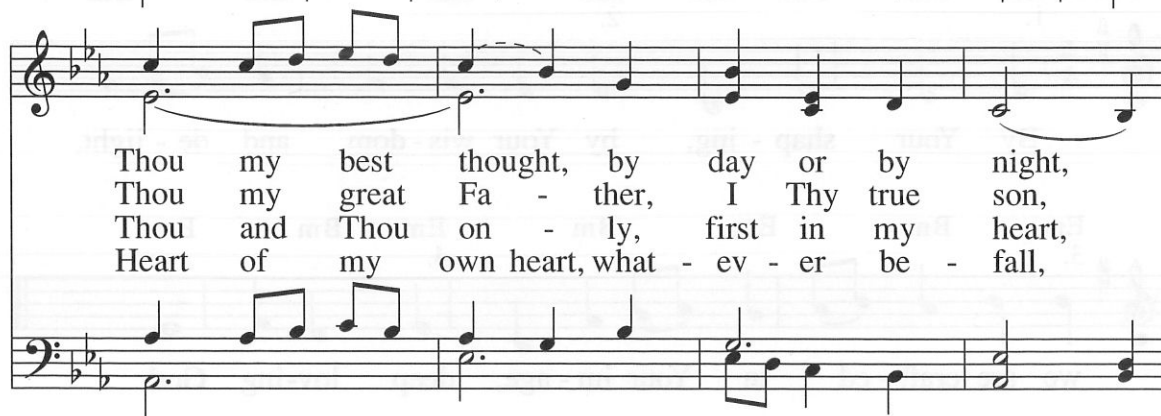
Be Thou My Vision



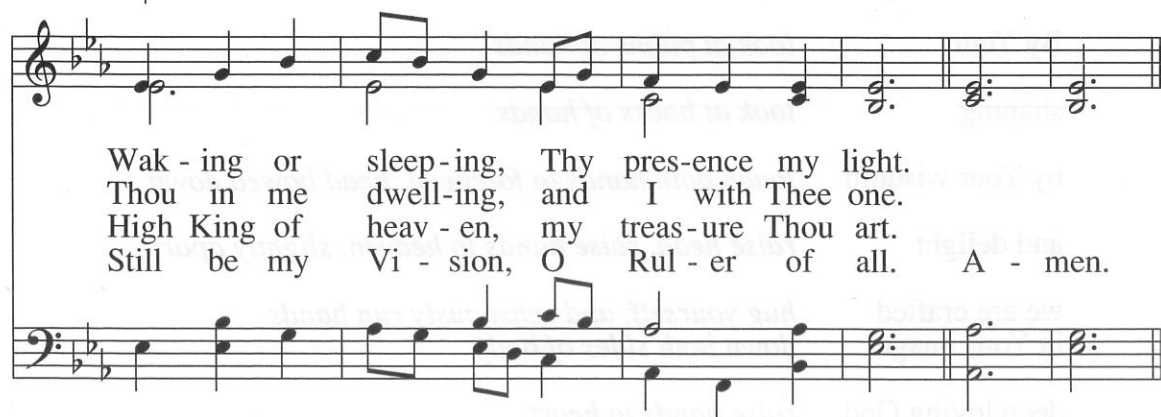
1. Be Thou my Vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
2. Be Thou my Wis - dom, and Thou my true Word;
3. Rich - es I heed not, nor man's emp - ty praise,
4. High King of heav - en, my vic - to - ry won,



Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art—
I ev - er with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;
Thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways;
May I reach heav - en's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun!



Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
Thou my great Fa - ther, I Thy true son,
Thou and Thou on - ly, first in my heart,
Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,



Wak - ing or sleep - ing, Thy pres - ence my light.
Thou in me dwell - ing, and I with Thee one.
High King of heav - en, my treas - ure Thou art.
Still be my Vi - sion, O Rul - er of all. A - men.

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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