# United Church of Christ of California – California, MORev. Russell CobbPastorMrs. Beth DampfOrganistMrs. Stacy FriedrichChoir Director

#### The Third Sunday in Lent March 12, 2023

\* All those who are able, please stand.

The Bell

The Prelude

Lighting of the Candles Logan Milligan & Grayden Gatlin

**Choral Opening** 

Welcome and Announcements

\*Call to Worship

The time for worship has come. Let us gather beneath the cross of Christ. Let us listen for his word.

The time for worship has come. May God's Spirit prepare our hearts, that we may prove to be obedient and loving disciples of Jesus Christ.

Let us worship together in the Name of the God who creates, redeems, and keeps us forever. Amen.

\*Hymn No. 41 "To God Be the Glory"

\*Prayer of the Day

Holy God, be near us as we worship. Guide us through these Lenten days, that our lives may be reformed and renewed in the image of your Beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. In His name, we pray. Amen. \*Call to Praise O Lord, open our lips! And our mouths shall show forth your praise! \*Act of Praise – "Gloria Patri" Invitation to Children's Time Hymn for Children "Jesus Loves Me" Children's Time JoAnn Cantriel Anthem "Just For You" Sr. Choir Prayer for Illumination Allan Mortenson

Eternal Lord, your kingdom has broken into our troubled world through the life, death, and resurrection of your Son. Help us to hear your Word and obey it, so that we become instruments of your redeeming love; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Scripture Lessons		
First Lesson:	Luke 9:28-36	p. 900
Second Lesson:	II Peter 1:16-18	p. 1062

Sermon The Case for Christ - Suffering Before Glory Mark 9:2-13

Hymn No. 154 "Shine, Jesus Shine"

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. 179 "King of My Life, I Crown Thee Now"

\*Benediction

\*Congregational Response – "Bind Us Together" p.494 (sing twice) Bind us together, Lord, bind us together with cords that cannot be broken. Bind us together, Lord, bind us together, Bind us together in love. There is only one God, There is only one King; There is only one body, That is why we sing

\*Postlude

Wednesday, March 15

Statement of Faith  $\sim$ 

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Speaker- Allan Mortenson

# <u>Wednesday Evening Meal, March 15th ~ 5:45pm</u> Soup and Sandwiches *Don't forget to sign up!*

A **Nursery** is available in the upstairs hallway, just outside the sanctuary. The nursery volunteer is **Callie Simmons**. 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.



St. Paul's Child Care Center is hiring part-time positions. Must be 18 years or older. If you enjoy working with children, contact Sara Hagemeyer Turner at 573-796-1997 for more details.

**New Member Luncheon Today** after church in the Fellowship Hall. If you have questions about placing membership here at the UCC of California, this lunch is for you. **Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup> will be Membership Sunday**. Please contact Pastor Russ or the office if interested.



# Sunday ROK (Reaching Our Kids) - TODAY

after children's time till 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 Betty Cobb. Sunday ROK takes place the **second Sunday of each month.** You can pick up your child in the Fellowship Hall at the end of the worship service



# Activities Calendar: March 12 ~ March 19, 2023

### <u>Sunday, March 12<sup>th</sup> - Third Sunday in Lent</u>

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship (Membership Luncheon following worship)

### Monday, March 13th

6:00 p.m. - Consistory

#### Tuesday, March 14th

9:00 a.m. – Prayer Cell

6:30 p.m. – Grief Share

# Articles for *The Tídíngs*

are due by March 24, 2023.

# Wednesday, March 15th Fourth Wednesday in Lent

1:00 p.m. – Women's Guild

5:45 p.m. – Fellowship Meal

6:15 p.m. – Bell Choir

6:20 p.m. – God's Singers

7:00 p.m. – Worship (followed by Sr. Choir)

### Sunday, March 19th Fourth Sunday in Lent

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship (New Member Sunday)

#### Looking Ahead.....

March 20<sup>th</sup> - First Day of Spring! March 26<sup>th</sup> - Cabinet Meeting 3:30 pm March 27<sup>th</sup> - Brotherhood 7:00 pm

> Confirmation Reception – March 29, 2023 ~ following the Lent service All are welcome!

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# Please pray for these . . .

Love & Justice in God's World

Family and Friends of Fred Stegner (Mary Burger's brother)

# **Our Confirmands**:

Cooper Brandes, Ella Burger, Emily Burger, Bella Fulks, Hunter Hall, Caleb Howard, and Hadley Milligan

# All Those Who Need Our Prayers, including:

**Bill Schacht** Becky Zuidervaart Chris Schoenthal 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, Pensacola, FL) Alexander Ives (nephew of Pamela Hill, Army – Fort Sill, OK) Cory Friedmeyer (grandson of Charles Goode, Marines, 29 Palms, CA) 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: The Case for Christ- Suffering Before Glory Mark 9:2-13

## To God Be the Glory





#### Shine, Jesus, Shine





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# 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.

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# **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.

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# 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.

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# **KYRIE**

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