#### United Church of Christ of California - California, MO

Rev. Russell Cobb

**Pastor** 

Mrs. Beth Dampf

**Organist** 

Mrs. Stacy Friedrich

Sr. Choir Director

#### The Fourth Sunday in Lent March 10, 2024

\* All those who are able, please stand.

The Bell

The Prelude

Lighting of the Candles

Emily King & Megan Carlock

**Choral Opening** 

Welcome and Announcements

\*Call to Worship

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth; Break forth into joyous song and sing praises.

Sing praises to the Lord with the lyre, with the lyre and the sound of melody.

With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the Lord.

\*Hymn No. 338 "Victory in Jesus"

\*Prayer of the Day

Light of light, open our hearts to the voice of your Word and free us from the original darkness that shadows our vision. Restore our sight that we may look upon your Son who calls us to repentance and a change of heart, for he lives and reigns with you forever and ever. 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 "Praise Him, Praise Him"

p. 6 first verse one time

Children's Time

JoAnn Cantriel

Anthem "Answer to the Call"

Sr. Choir

Prayer for Illumination

Allan Mortenson

God of all faithfulness, help us to hear your Son. Enlighten us with your word, that we may find the way to your glory. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who died but now lives to reign with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Scripture Lessons

First Lesson: Ecclesiastes 5:15-20 p. 576 Second Lesson: Matthew 6:19-24 p. 839

Sermon The Doctor Will See You Now: It's Terminal – Luke 16:19-31 p. 910

Hymn No. 361 "My Faith Looks Up To Thee"

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. 41 "To God Be The Glory"
- \*Benediction
- \*Congregational Response "God is So Good" p.49

  God is so good, God is so good,

  God is so good- O so good to me,

  He saved my soul, He saved my soul,

  He saved my soul- God's so good to me,

  I'll praise His name, I'll praise His name,

  I'll praise His name- God's so good to me.

\*Postlude

#### Statement of Faith ~ Wednesday, March 13

Khloe Mortenson – daughter of Chad and Nicole Mortenson

#### Wednesday Evening Meal, March 13 ~ 5:45pm

Chicken Fettuccine, Vegetable, Fruit and Bread.

Don't forget to sign up!!

New Member Luncheon Today after church in the Fellowship Hall. If you have questions about placing membership here at the UCC of California, come join us. Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup> will be Membership Sunday where we will welcome Jim Schutt, Kevin and Julie Steinhauer, and Cindy Ash.



#### 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 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

#### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

The new building being added on to Project Share will soon be finished. Along with this additional space, comes the need for more volunteers to work at the counter and cash register. Project Share is open Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. Volunteers are needed Thursday and Friday mornings from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm and from 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm. Also Saturdays, from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. Vicky Schroeder is the person in charge of scheduling the volunteers and she usually asks you to work once a month. If you feel like you can donate a couple of hours, please contact Vicky at 913-669-2999 for information or questions. There is really nothing hard about this job.

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#### Activities Calendar: March 10, 2024 ~ March 17,2024

#### Sunday, March 10 - Fourth Sunday in Lent

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship (followed by New Member Luncheon)

#### Monday, March 11

6:00 p.m. - Consistory

#### Tuesday, March 12

9:00 a.m. - Prayer Cell

#### Wednesday, March 13 Fifth Wednesday in Lent

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 17th Fifth Sunday in Lent

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

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

#### Looking Ahead......

March 16 - VeggieTales 9:30 am

March 17 - New Member Sunday

March 19 - First Day of Spring!

March 20 – Women's Guild 1pm/Lenten Worship 7pm/Confirmands

reception

March 23- Salem Shrimp and Chicken Dinner

March 24 – Palm Sunday

March 25 - Brotherhood

March 28 – Maundy Thursday Service

March 29 – Good Friday Service at Salem

March 31 – Easter Services

#### Please pray for these . . .

Love & Justice in God's World

Family and Friends of Jerry Coale Family and Friends of Nanette Ellis

#### **Confirmands:**

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

#### All Those Who Need Our Prayers, including:

Becky Zuidervaart Bill Schacht

Jo Suggs Judy Kilmer Jaden Perry (Janice Anderson's grandson)

#### 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)

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

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

### The flowers in the Sanctuary are left from the funeral of Jerry Lee Coale.

A **Nursery** is available 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.

#### Salem United Church of Christ

#### Shrimp and Chicken Dinner

March 23, 2024 ~ 5:30-7:00 pm

#### Dine-in or Carry-out

(Pavilion available for outdoor dining)

Meal includes: shrimp or chicken, cheesy potatoes, slaw,

dessert and drink.

#### Please RSVP by Monday, March 18 to

Brenda Oesterly

Home: 573-796-3013 ~ Cell: 573-291-7165

email: <u>oesterlyb@yahoo.com</u>

Freewill donations for the meal.

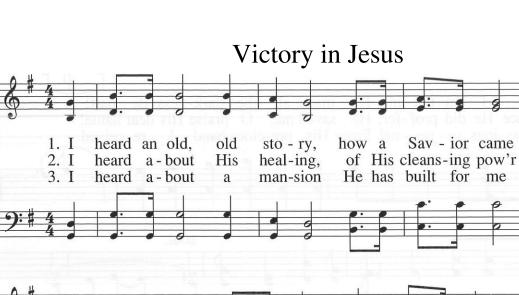
Looking forward to seeing our friends and family on this special night.

## Finke Theatre Presents The Living Lord's Supper

Live Performance at 7:00 p.m. March 22 and 23 www.finketheatre.com or 573-691-9939

#### Confirmation Reception hosted by the Women's Guild –

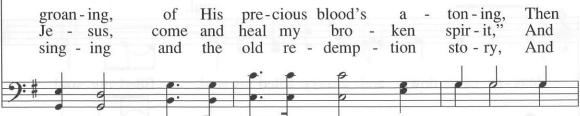
March 20, 2024 ~ following the Lent service All are welcome!



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#### My Faith Looks Up to Thee



#### To God Be the Glory





# 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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## DOXOCOY

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

Minister: Lord, have mercy upon us. Congregation: Lord, have mercy upon us. Minister: Christ, have mercy upon us. Congregation: Christ, have mercy upon us. Minister: Lord, have mercy upon us. Congregation: Lord, have mercy upon us.