

United Church of Christ of California – California, MO
Rev. Russell Cobb **Pastor**
Mrs. Beth Dampf **Organist**
Mrs. Connie Bestgen **God's Singers Director**

The Eighth Sunday after Epiphany
February 27, 2022 ~ Transfiguration Sunday

** - All those who are able, please stand.*

The Bell

The Prelude

Lighting of the Candles Brenyn Robertson Rylan Robertson

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

Come to the mountaintop to pray, for God will not keep
silent.

**We gather to listen for God's word and to make our
response.**

Come, as God's covenant people, who serve and sacrifice in
faithfulness.

**The heavens declare God's righteousness and draw us to
The excitement of worship.**

Let us worship in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and
of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

*Hymn No. 255 "Wonderful Words of Life"

***Prayer of the Day**

O God of majesty, you are beyond words or description, your love is beyond understanding or explanation. Make our hearts ready to receive you. Transform us, we pray, that our lives may reflect the light and glory of your transfiguration. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, 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 “Jesus Loves Me”

Children’s Time

The Puppets

Anthem “A Great Big God”

God’s Singers

Prayer for Illumination

Susan Burger

Take us up to the mountain top with you, O Lord Jesus Christ, that we may behold your glorious face and be reassured for the journey that lies before us. Let your light shine upon us and lead us forward to your life. Amen.

Scripture Lessons

First Lesson: Psalm 119:73-80 p. 533

Second Lesson: Colossians 1:3-10 p. 1026

Sermon **Why We Do...The Apostles' Teaching**
Acts 26:2-29 & Romans 10:8-17

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

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. 249 “Standing on the Promises”

*Congregational Response – “Go in Love”

Go in love, have no fear.

God will guide you, He is always near.

Go in love, take His hand.

God will hear you, He will understand.

May His light forever shine upon you;

May His peace be always in your heart.

Go in love, face each day.

God will lead you, He will show the way.

Go in love, and live in faith. Amen.

*Postlude



A **Nursery** is available in the upstairs hallway, just outside the sanctuary. The attendant on duty is Taylor Ratcliff. The nursery volunteer is Amy Howard. 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.

Wednesday Evening Meal, March 2nd ~ 6pm

Breakfast

There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board for donating desserts & helping Letha in the kitchen with clean up, drying dishes & wiping tables down. Your help will be much appreciated!

The Consistory is looking for help with the elevator!

Due to several Consistory members in the choir, teaching Sunday School, and in the sound booth, it has been more difficult to man the elevator than in the past. We are looking for some volunteers who can take a few weeks at a time to help us out. The elevator is not difficult to run but it is nice to have someone who can help folks get on and off. Training will be available.

If you are interested, please contact the a Consistory member or the church office at 796-4885. Thank you!

Office Manager Position
United Church of Christ of California

We are sad to announce Renée Clifford, our church Office Manager, has put in her notice. We want to thank Renée for her years of commitment and work with our church.

If you are interested in the Office Manager position, it is a full time position with benefits, please contact one of the consistory members for additional information and a formal job description.

You can also email the consistory at
consistory@calmo-ucc.org

Project Share & the Food Pantry Need Volunteers

The Food pantry needs volunteers on the first Wednesday of each month for pre-packing dry goods that each family receives. Please stop by at 9:00 a.m. if you are interested in helping.

Project Share is always seeking volunteers to sort clothes on Mondays and Tuesdays. They also need help working in the front of the store when they are open. Contact Lina Eddy at 573-480-5103 if you are interested in helping.

Giving Made Easy

Online giving is available! Follow the E-Giving link on our website:
calmo-ucc.org to give today or set recurring gifts.

Contact Steven Burger for more information.

rightnow MEDIA

To get access to Right Now Media for you and your family
use the link or text to the number listed below.

Custom Registration Link –

<https://www.rightnowmedia.org/Account/Invite/CALUCC>

Text Registration Code – UCOC to 49775

Sermon Notes

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Acts 26:2-29 & Romans 10:8-17

CELEBRATE RECOVERY

6:00 p.m. Sundays at New Life Christian Center
A Christ-Centered 12 Step Support Group for Men
"Overcoming Our Hurts, Hangups And Habits Together"

Did You Know???

Money collected from Sunday School Opening & E-Giving or donations earmarked for Vacation Bible School help fund a great learning time for our young people!!! They have so much fun!!!
(And so do the helpers!!!)

Activities Calendar: February 27, 2022 ~ March 6, 2022

Sunday, February 27th

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship

Monday, February 28th

7:00 p.m. – Men's Brotherhood

Tuesday, March 1st

9:00 a.m. – Prayer Cell

Wednesday, March 2nd – Ash Wednesday

5:45 p.m. – Fellowship Meal

6:15 p.m. – Bell Choir

6:30 p.m. – God's Singers

7:00 p.m. – Worship – Holy Communion & Imposition of Ashes

Sr. Choir practice after Worship service

Friday, March 4th

1:00 p.m. – World Day of Prayer

Sunday, March 6th

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship

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Please pray for these . . .

Love & Justice in God's World

Our Confirmands:

Ashton Bolinger, Addison Carr, Heston Gatlin
Adler Koestner, Amelia Motley, Chase Trimble,
Cody Schneider, Margaret Heimericks

All Those Who Need Our Prayers, including:

Becky Zuidervaat	Collin Mouse	Carole Beth Bowlin
Jo Suggs	Chris Schoenthal	Kim (Yelton) Haesemeier
Judy Kilmer	Bill Schacht	Paul Schacht

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

Craig Hall (*Air Force, stationed at Dyess AFB, Abilene, TX*)
Martin Knipker (*son of Kenny Knipker*)
Dwight Bowlin (*grandson of Jack & 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*)
Kyle Hofstetter (*son of Scott & Jill Hofstetter, stationed at San Diego, CA*)
Alexander Ives (*nephew of Pamela Hill, Army – Fort Bragg*)
Cory Friedmeyer (*grandson of Charles Goode, Marines, Palm Springs, CA*)
Ryan Carel (*nephew of Leroy Schnieders, Seymour Johnson AFB, NC*)
Derek Meyer (*grandson of Elaine & Eldred Proctor, Army, Fort Bragg, NC*)

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER
Friday, March 4, 2022 ~ 1:00 p.m.
All women of the church are invited!



About World Day of Prayer

Since the nineteenth century, Christian women in the United States and Canada have initiated cooperative activities in many areas of concern for women and children, recognizing the critical role of prayer in mission work and their call to promote world peace through worldwide mission work. The first organized "day of prayer for the world" was held in Canada on January 9, 1920. the United States soon followed on February 20, 1920.

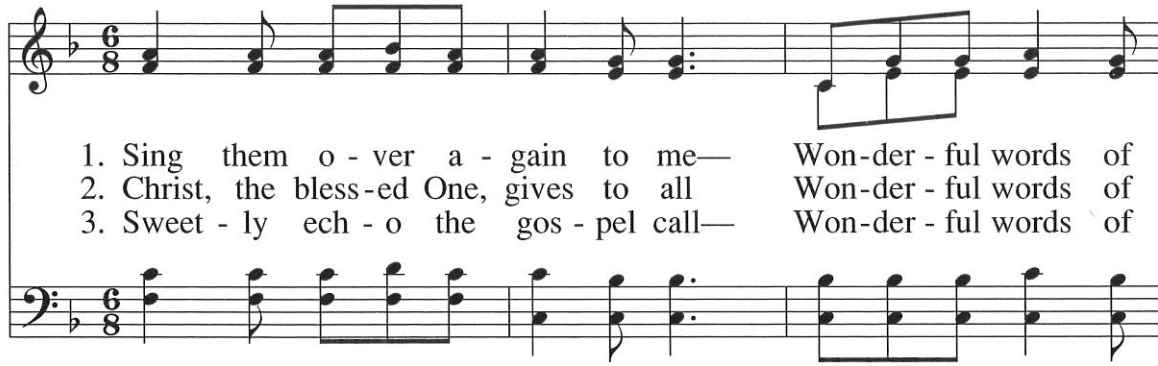
Now, hundreds of thousands of women (and men, youth, and children) from around the world and in every region gather to collectively worship on the first Friday in March. Each year, a different country serves as the writer of the World Day of Prayer worship service and other materials. Women of that country's national WDP committee interpret scripture within their cultural context and prepare a worship service; women around the world lead the services.

World Day of Prayer is supported by sacrificial and benevolent mission offerings given by individuals through these annual services. Each of the 170 countries celebrating World Day of Prayer has an ecumenical committee of women representing many cultures, races, and faith traditions. Each country's committee is responsible for determining the use of the offering as it relates to the theme for each year. Offering grants are made to women and children's groups in each country.

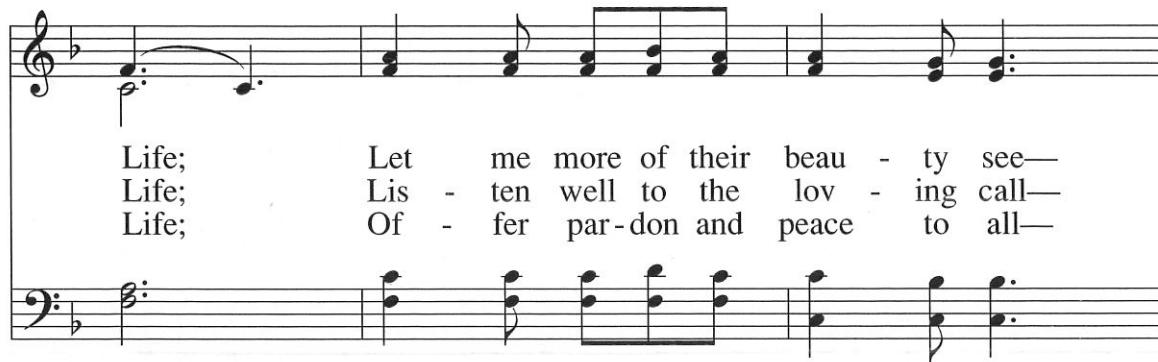
World Day of Prayer USA promotes justice and equality for women through prayer, partnerships, service and celebration. For more information, visit www.wdp-usa.org.

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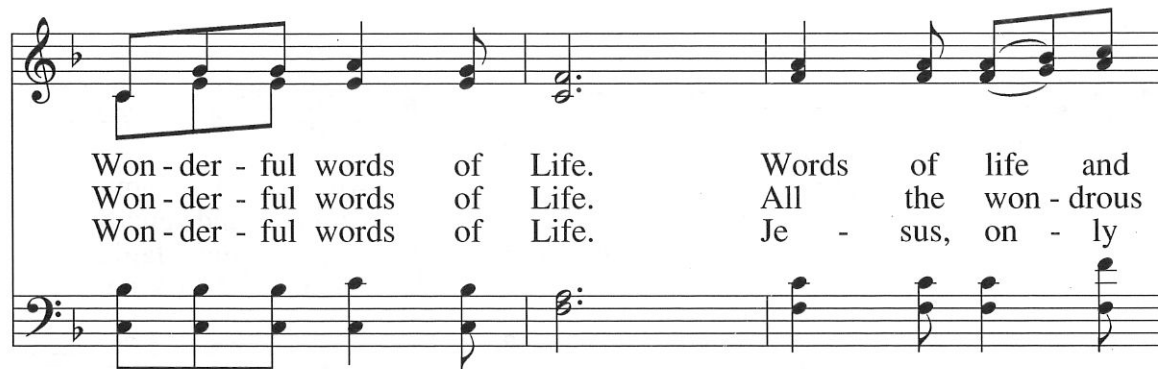
Wonderful Words of Life



1. Sing them o - ver a - gain to me— Won - der - ful words of
 2. Christ, the bless - ed One, gives to all Won - der - ful words of
 3. Sweet - ly ech - o the gos - pel call— Won - der - ful words of



Life; Let me more of their beau - ty see—
 Life; Lis - ten well to the lov - ing call—
 Life; Of - fer par - don and peace to all—



Won - der - ful words of Life. Words of life and
 Won - der - ful words of Life. All the won - drous
 Won - der - ful words of Life. Je - sus, on - ly



beau - ty, Teach me faith and du - ty:
 sto - ry, Show - ing us His glo - ry:
 Sav - ior, Sanc - ti - fy for - ev - er:

Beau - ti - ful words, won - der - ful words,

1. Won - der - ful words of Life; 2. Life.

I Love to Tell the Story

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

The first system of the song features a treble and bass staff in 4/4 time, key of B-flat major. The melody is in the treble staff, and the bass staff provides a simple harmonic accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the staff, with two verses provided.

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

The second system continues the melody and accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the staff, with the melody line showing a slight rise in pitch towards the end of the system.

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

The third system continues the melody and accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the staff, with the melody line showing a slight rise in pitch towards the end of the system.

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

The fourth system continues the melody and accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the staff, with the melody line showing a slight rise in pitch towards the end of the system.

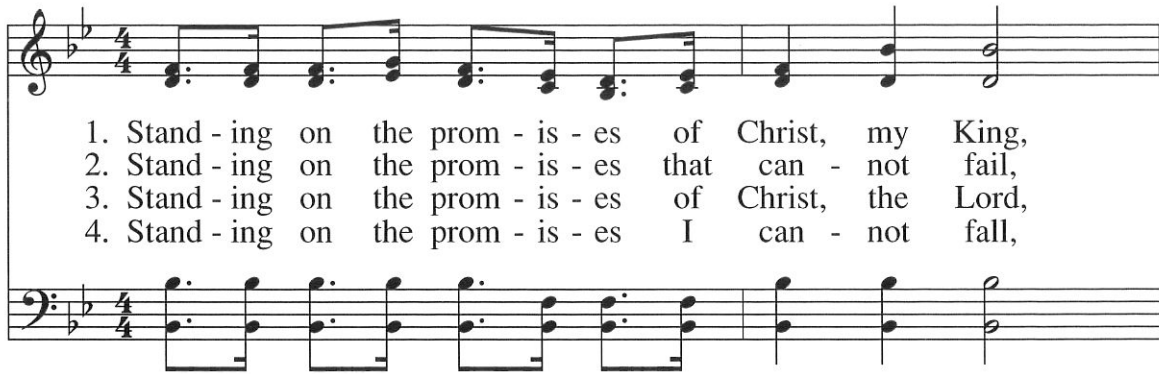
sat - is - fies my long - ings As noth - ing else would do.
be the old, old sto - ry That I have loved so long.

The fifth system concludes the song. The melody and accompaniment end with a final chord. The lyrics are written below the staff, with the melody line showing a slight rise in pitch towards the end of the system.

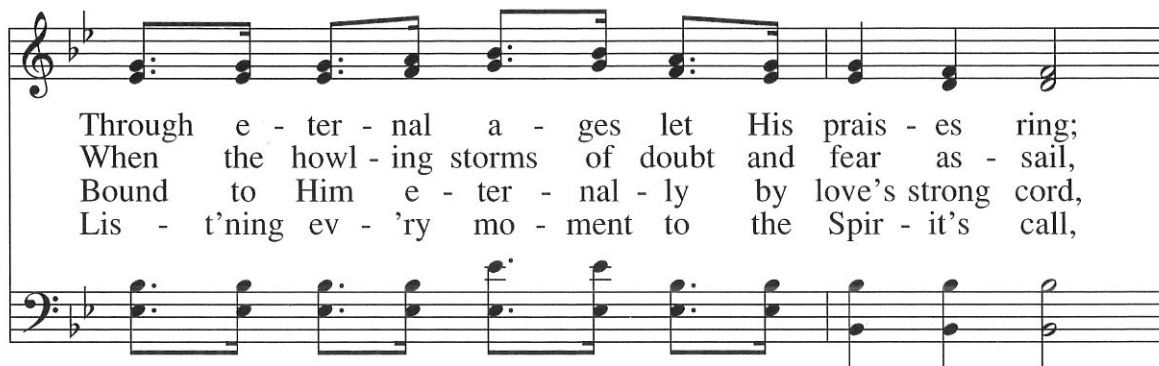
I love to tell the sto - ry; 'Twill be my theme in glo-ry

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

Standing on the Promises



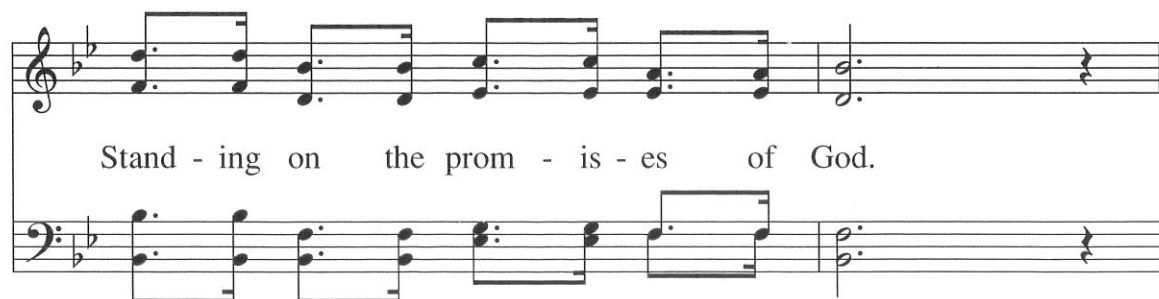
1. Stand - ing on the prom - is - es of Christ, my King,
2. Stand - ing on the prom - is - es that can - not fail,
3. Stand - ing on the prom - is - es of Christ, the Lord,
4. Stand - ing on the prom - is - es I can - not fall,



Through e - ter - nal a - ges let His prais - es ring;
When the howl - ing storms of doubt and fear as - sail,
Bound to Him e - ter - nal - ly by love's strong cord,
Lis - t'ning ev - 'ry mo - ment to the Spir - it's call,



Glo - ry in the high - est, I will shout and sing,
By the liv - ing Word of God I shall pre - vail,
O - ver - com - ing dai - ly with the Spir - it's sword,
Rest - ing in my Sav - ior as my all in all,



Stand - ing on the prom - is - es of God.

Stand - ing, stand - ing,

Stand - ing on the prom - is - es, stand - ing on the prom - is - es,

stand - ing on the prom - is - es of God, my Sav - ior;

stand - ing, stand - ing,

stand - ing on the prom - is - es, stand - ing on the prom - is - es,

I'm stand - ing on the prom - is - es of God.

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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