United Church of Christ of California - California, MO

Rev. Russell Cobb

Mrs. Beth Dampf

Mrs. Stacy Friedrich

Pastor
Organist
Sr. Choir Director

January 15, 2023 The Second Sunday after Epiphany

* - All those who are able, please stand.

The Bell

The Prelude

Lighting of the Candles

Grayden Gatlin & Jess Medlin

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

God calls us to service, rather than honor.

God call us to love the unknown, rather than the familiar.

We come to worship, trusting in the grace of Jesus Christ, who is the same yesterday, today, and forever.

*Hymn No. 243 "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty"

Lord Jesus Christ, you are the Light that shines into the deepest darkness of this world: May we behold the Light of your presence as we worship together. Let your holy Light illumine us, heal us, and forgive us. May your mighty Name be praised. Amen.

^{*}Prayer of the Day

*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 Ginnie Medlin

Anthem "Let There Be Light" Sr. Choir

Prayer for Illumination

Beth Dampf

Gracious God, you have gifted us not once but often. Gift us once more, we pray, in the reading of your holy word that we may be opened and enlightened by these Holy Scriptures. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ who lives and reigns with you in the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. Amen.

Scripture Lessons

First Lesson: Psalm 119:1-8 p. 532
Second Lesson: II John 1:1-6 p. 1069

Sermon Focused: Walking With God I Thessalonians 2:11-12;4:1-12

Hymn No. 406 "Prayer of St. Francis"

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. 555 "Sanctuary" (Sing through twice)
- *Benediction
- *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



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Wednesday Evening Meal, January 18th ~ 6pm

Lasagna, Salad, Bread and Fruit 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.

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING OF THE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST OF CALIFORNIA JANUARY 29, 2023 IN THE SANCTUARY IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING WORSHIP.

A luncheon will be provided (in Friendship Hall) after the meeting.

Articles for *The Tidings* are Due on or before Tuesday, January 24th. Thanks!

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.

Offering Envelope Boxes

Offering envelope boxes for 2023 have been delayed. The company is experiencing difficulties getting them printed. Estimated arrival time hopefully by end of January. We have some blank envelopes with labels for you to pick up in the back of the church, stop by the church office or feel free to use your own envelope until they come in. Be sure to put your name on the envelope. Keep in mind, online giving is also an option.

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 4977

USED TONER / INK CARTRIDGES

<u>Please</u> save all of your used toner and ink cartridges! The church office collects used toner and ink cartridges in order to get a \$2 In-store credit per cartridge at Staples toward purchases of office supplies. Please turn in your cartridges to the church office. Thanks!

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

Sunday, January 15th

9:30 a.m. - Sunday School

10:30 a.m. - Worship

Tuesday, January 17th

9:00 a.m. - Prayer Cell

6:00 p.m. – Stewardship Committee Meeting

6:30 p.m. - Grief Share Meeting

Wednesday, January 18th

1:00 p.m. - Women's Guild

6:00 p.m. – Fellowship Meal

6:30 p.m. – Confirmation, ROK/God's Singers, Bell Choir Bible Study

7:30 p.m. – Sr. Choir

Sunday, January 22nd

9:30 a.m. - Sunday School

10:30 a.m. - Worship

Looking ahead......

January 23rd - Brotherhood 7:00 p.m.

January 25th- Acolyte Training 5:15 p.m.

January 29th – Annual Meeting/Meal following worship

Jesus said, "I am the light of the world." John 8:12

Acolyte Training for anyone 3rd grade through 7th grade

Wednesday, January 25 at 5:15 pm (or as soon as you can get there)

Meet in the choir room. Will practice until it's time for the 6pm

Wednesday evening meal. Please contact Courtney Cassil if you have questions or need to set up another time if your child is interested but can't make this training. 573-680-5347

Sermon Notes

Focused: Walking With God I Thessalonians 2:11-12;4:1-12

Please pray for these . . .

Love & Justice in God's World

Family and Friends of Lyle Abbott (Harriet Bryant's brother)

Family and Friends of Ben and Megan Jenkins

Our Confirmands:

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

All Those Who Need Our Prayers, including:

Becky Zuidervaart Bill Schacht Kim (Yelton) Haesemeier

Jo Suggs Chris Schoenthal

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)

Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty



Prayer of St. Francis





"Prayer of St. Francis", Adapt. From St. Francis by Sebastian Temple, Arr. By Betty Carr Pulkingham Dedicated to Mrs. Frances Tracy.

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Sanctuary



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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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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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Minister: Lord, have mercy upon us.
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