

United Church of Christ of California ~ California, Missouri
Rev. Russell Cobb Pastor
Mrs. Beth Dampf Organist

August 6, 2023 ~ Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

**All those who are able, please stand*

The Bell

The Prelude

Lighting of the Candles Ameila Howard & Logan Milligan

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

God has invited us to live faithfully in this life.

God has invited us to be transformed.

God has invited us to be loving participants in this world.

God has invited us to live joyfully in peace.

In life, in death, in life to come, we are God's.

Praise God!

*Hymn No. 47

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

*Prayer of the Day

Eternal God, draw near to us that we may draw near to you, and grant us the grace to love and to serve you that we may find in your will our true freedom; through Jesus Christ, the way, the truth and the life. 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 "Jesus Loves the Little Children" p. 166

Children's Time

Holly Bieri

Special Music

Stacy Friedrich

Prayer for Illumination

David Gattermeir

Gracious Spirit, you have promised that where two or more are gathered in your name, there you will be also. Open our hearts and our minds to your Presence here in worship, in music and in the reading of your Holy Word and in our heartfelt prayers. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Scripture Lessons

First Lesson: Romans 4:16-22 p. 980

Second Lesson: James 2:14-24 p.1055

Sermon

**G.O.A.T. – The Greatness of Faith
Hebrews 10:23-11:40**

Hymn No. 361

"My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

Kyrie

"Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us"

Words of Assurance

Dear friends, receive forgiveness for your lives. Be renewed and strengthened by the Spirit this day and always.
Thanks be to God! Amen.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Any Christian who wishes to know the presence of Christ and share in the community of God's people is invited to receive the Sacrament.

Communion Prayer

The Lord be with you.

And with you also.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Let us pray.....

The Lord's Prayer (*debts and debtors*)

Breaking Bread and Pouring Wine

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Almighty God, we thank you for your great mercy given to us in this sacrament, whereby we are made partakers of Christ and all his benefits. So enrich us by the Holy Spirit that the life of Jesus may be made manifest in our mortal body, and all our days may be spent in your love and service; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Hymn No. 478

"I'll Fly Away"

*Benediction

*Congregational Response –

“Oh, How He Loves You and Me” (p. 335 –sing one time)

*“Oh, how He loves you and me! Oh, how He loves you and me!
He gave His life, what more could He give?
Oh, how He loves you, Oh, how He loves me,
Oh, how He loves you and me!”*

*Postlude

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

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING NOTICE

Today, August 6, 2023

California United Church of Christ Sanctuary
following Worship

A congregational meeting will be held immediately following the worship service this morning to discuss and approve the Oak Street Window project and to present a new building access and security proposal.



Sunday ROK (Reaching Our Kids)

Sunday, August 13th

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 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.

Activities Calendar: August 6, 2023 ~ August 13, 2023

Sunday, August 6, 2023, Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship – Communion

Congregational Meeting following

7:00 p.m. – Community Ensemble at Fairgrounds

7:30 p.m. – Moniteau County Fair Vesper Service at
Fairgrounds

Tuesday, August 8, 2023

9:00 a.m. – Prayer Cell

6:00 p.m. – Sunday School Teacher and Officers
Meeting

Sunday, August 13th, Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship

Looking ahead.....

August 14th- Consistory 6:00pm

August 16th- Women's Guild cleaning day 9 am

August 23rd- School starts

August 26th- Salem UCC Ice Cream Social- 4:00-6:30pm

August 27th- Rally Sunday

August 28th- Men's Brotherhood

Please pray for these . . .

Love & Justice in God's World

All Those Who Need Our Prayers, including:

Becky Zuidervart Darren & Kylee Rowles and twins

Jo Suggs Judy Kilmer Bill Schacht Courtney Hees

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, 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*)

Quarterback Club Pork Steak Dinner BBQ

Sunday, August 27th from 11-1pm

California High School.

Pork Steak, Baked Potato, Baked Beans, Corn and Dessert

Please see any high school football player for tickets.

Salem United Church of Christ

Annual Ice Cream Social

Saturday, August 26

Serving from 4:00-6:30 p.m.

Located on the Salem church grounds

on HWY K, east of California

Dining inside and outside, pick your pleasure.

Ice Cream Drinks Chips Cake Sandwiches

(pulled pork, brats, hot dogs, & chicken salad)

Cake Walk

Everyone welcome!

Come and enjoy an evening of fun, food and fellowship.

Seeking a Nursery Attendant-

The Consistory will be taking applications for a Nursery Attendant. Hours are from 9 am to Noon (3 hours) @ \$40 every Sunday. Applications can be picked up in the church office.

The Consistory is still looking for a volunteer for the Sound Booth. Talk to Ronnie Kissick or any Consistory member to get the details on how you can help out!

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Custom Registration Link –

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

Text Registration Code – UCOC to 49775

Sermon Notes - G.O.A.T. - The Greatness of Faith
Hebrews 10:23-11:40

Rev. Cobb: rev.cobb@calmo-ucc.org; 573-489-7891 (cell phone)

Church office 573-796-4885 / Website: www.calmo-ucc.org

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Senior Choir

Attention all singers! Practices for the Senior Choir will start on Wednesday, August 23rd at 7:30pm in the sanctuary. If you are interested in being a part of a wonderful group of dedicated singers, please feel free to join us! If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 573-291-1189. Hope to see you there!

Stacy Friedrich, California UCC Choir Director



Bell Choir

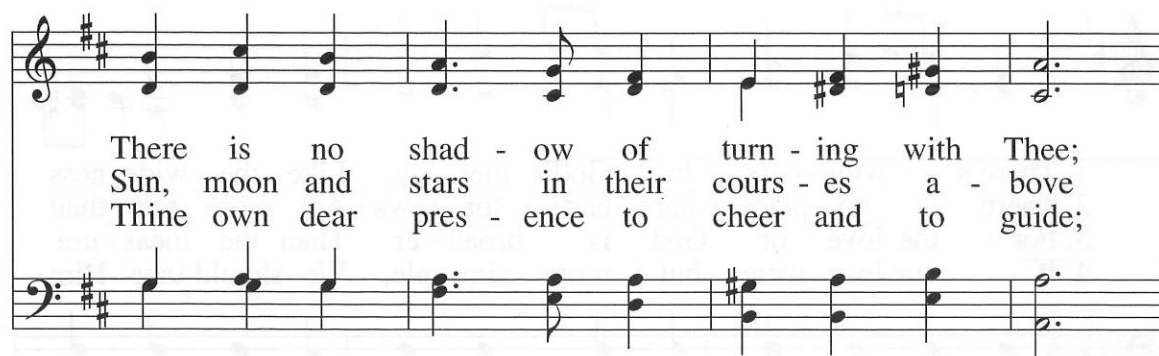
**Bell practice will start Wednesday, August 23rd at 6:30pm.
New Bell members are always welcome!**

Becky Schneider, Bell Choir Director

Great Is Thy Faithfulness



1. Great is Thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther,
2. Sum - mer and win - ter, and spring - time and har - vest,
3. Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,



There is no shad - ow of turn - ing with Thee;
Sun, moon and stars in their cours - es a - bove
Thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide;



Thou chang - est not, Thy com - pas - sions, they fail not;
Join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness
Strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row,



As Thou has been Thou for - ev - er wilt be.
To Thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy and love.
Bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

Great is Thy faith - ful-ness! Great is Thy faith - ful-ness!

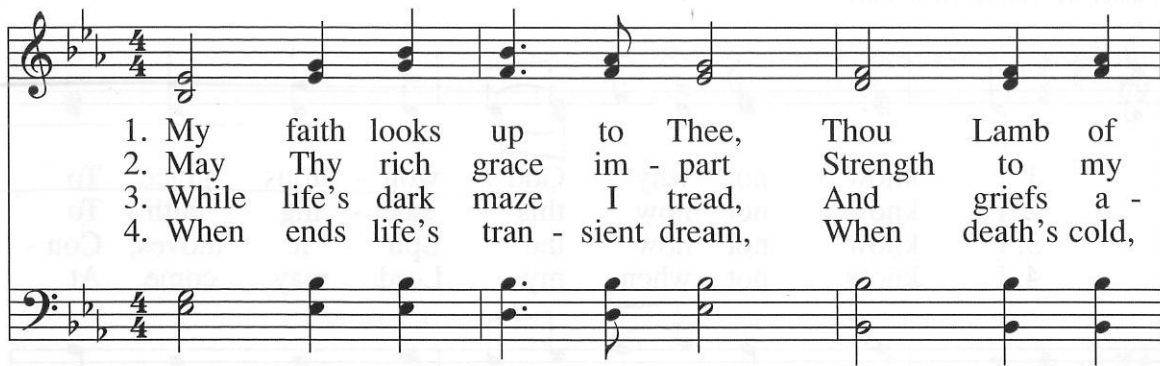
Morn - ing by morn - ing new mer - cies I see;

All I have need - ed Thy hand hath pro - vid - ed—

Great is Thy faith - ful-ness, Lord, un - to me! A - men.

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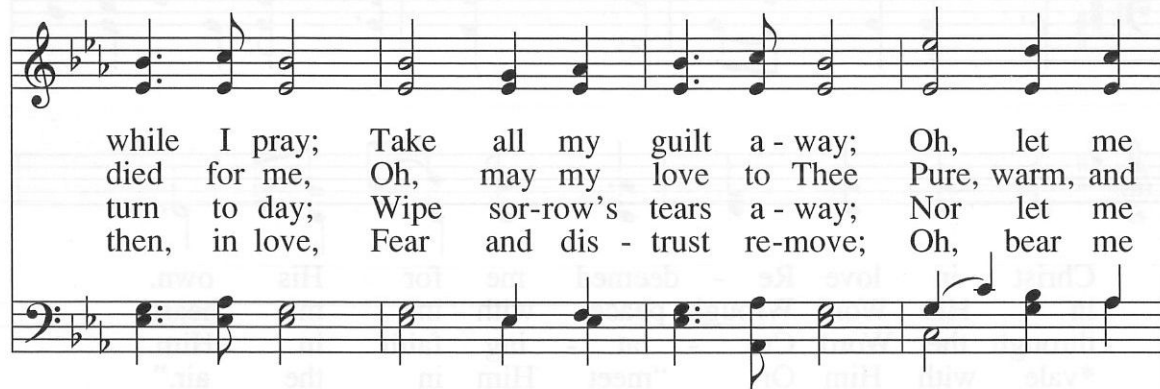
My Faith Looks Up to Thee



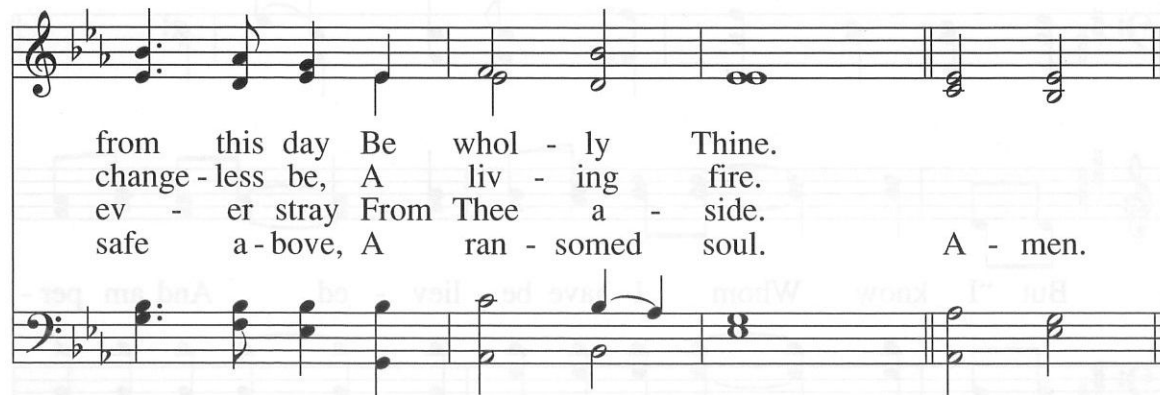
1. My faith looks up to Thee, Thou Lamb of
 2. May Thy rich grace im - part Strength to my
 3. While life's dark maze I tread, And griefs a -
 4. When ends life's tran - sient dream, When death's cold,



Cal - va - ry, Sav - ior di - vine! Now hear me
 faint - ing heart, My zeal in - spire; As Thou hast
 round me spread, Be Thou my guide; Bid dark - ness
 sul - len stream Shall o'er me roll, Blest Sav - ior,



while I pray; Take all my guilt a - way; Oh, let me
 died for me, Oh, may my love to Thee Pure, warm, and
 turn to day; Wipe sor - row's tears a - way; Nor let me
 then, in love, Fear and dis - trust re-move; Oh, bear me



from this day Be whol - ly Thine.
 change - less be, A liv - ing fire.
 ev - er stray From Thee a - side.
 safe a - bove, A ran - somed soul. A - men.

I'll Fly Away

1. Some glad morn - ing when this life is o'er,
2. When the shad - ows of this life have gone,
3. Just a few more wea - ry days and then,

I'll fly a-way;
I'll fly a-way, fly a-way, fly a-way; To a home on
Like a bird from
To a land where
way;

God's ce - les - tial shore,
pris - on bars has flown, I'll fly a-way, fly a -
joys shall nev - er end,
way.

way, fly a-way. I'll fly a-way, fly a-way, O glo - ry,
way. I'LL FLY AWAY

I'll fly a-way;

I'll fly a-way, fly a-way, in the morn-ing; When I die, hal-le-way;

I'll fly a-way.

lu-jah, by and by, I'll fly a-way, fly a-way, fly a-way. fly a-way.

"I'll Fly Away"

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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.

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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