

United Church of Christ of California – California, MO
Rev. Russell Cobb **Pastor**
Mrs. Beth Dampf **Organist**
Mrs. Becky Schneider **Bell's Director**

The Fifth Sunday in Lent
March 17, 2024

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

The Bell

The Prelude

Lighting of the Candles Lena & Lee Bieri

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

Friends, we are gathered to give thanks for all we have received from God's good hands:

to praise God's holy name!

to acknowledge and confess our sins;

to hear God's holy word; and to ask those things needful for life.

Let us draw near to God in all humility and celebrate God's infinite goodness and mercy.

*Hymn No. 452 "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus"

*Prayer of the Day

God of mercy, you are full of tenderness and compassion, slow to anger, rich in mercy, and always ready to forgive. Grant us grace to renounce all evil and to cling to Christ, that in every way we may prove to be your loving children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, 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

Kendra Hall

Anthem “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross” Bell Choir

Prayer for Illumination Toni Kueffer

Wise, all-knowing God, soften our hardened hearts that we may hear your voice in the reading of the Scriptures. Lead us and feed us as we travel through this Lenten wilderness towards the promised land. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

Scripture Lessons

First Lesson: Matthew 18:28-35 p. 853

Second Lesson: John 13:12-17 p. 937

Sermon **The Doctor Will See You Now:**

A Healthy Lifestyle

Luke 17:1-10 p. 910

Hymn No. 418 “Take Time to Be Holy”

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

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Julie and Kevin Steinhauer

Cindy Ash

Taylor Ratcliff

Welcome, Scripture, and Reaffirming of Faith

Welcome by the Congregation

VanDee Miller,
Consistory Vice-President

Let us, the members of the United Church of Christ of California, express our welcome and affirm our mutual ministry in Christ.

We welcome you with joy in the common life of this church. We promise you our friendship and prayers as we share the hopes and labors of the Church of Jesus Christ. By the power of the Holy Spirit may we continue to grow together in God's knowledge and love and be witnesses of our Risen Lord.

In the name of Jesus Christ and on behalf of the United Church of Christ of California, we extend our Christian love, welcoming you into the company of this congregation.

The Prayer

*Hymn No. 69 “His Name Is Wonderful”

*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

Wednesday, March 20th ~

Statement of Faith

Brooks Nichols – son of Staci and Mike Nichols

Special Music

Rohrbach Siblings

Speaker

Lina Eddy

Wednesday Evening Meal, March 20th ~ 5:45pm

Pork Loin, Mashed Potatoes/Gravy, Vegetable,
Fruit and Hot Rolls

Don't forget to sign up!!

Reception for Confirmation Class of 2024

Hosted by the Women's Guild

March 20, 2024 ~ following the Lent service
downstairs in the Friendship Hall. All are welcome!

Activities Calendar: March 17, 2024 ~ March 24, 2024

Sunday, March 17th - - Fifth Sunday in Lent

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship – Membership Sunday

Tuesday, March 19th

9:00 a.m. – Prayer Cell

Wednesday, March 20th Sixth 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 – *Confirmation Reception & Sr. Choir following*

April Tidings News Due
by Thursday, March 21st.

Saturday, March 23rd

5:30 p.m. – Salem UCC Shrimp and Chicken Dinner

Sunday, March 24th Palm Sunday

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship – Rite of Confirmation

Looking Ahead.....

March 25 – Brotherhood 7 p.m.

March 27th – Tenebrae/Sr. Choir Practice

No School- No other Wed. night activities, including No meal

March 28th - Maundy Thursday/Tenebrae Service 7 p.m.

March 29th - Good Friday – Worship at Salem 7 p.m. (office closed)

March 31st - Easter Services – 7:00 a.m. Sunrise Service-breakfast following
10:30 am. Regular service

Food Pantry Items Needed

Each month the Food Pantry is requesting a different food item. For the **month of March, Peanut Butter** is the food item requested. There is a box in the downstairs foyer to place your food items.

Holy Week Schedule

March 24—Palm Sunday

Worship 10:30 a.m.—Rite of Confirmation

March 28—Maundy Thursday

Worship 7 p.m.—Holy Communion

March 29—Good Friday—

Worship at Salem UCC 7 p.m.

Church Office Closed

March 31—Easter

Worship 7 a.m.—Holy Communion (Breakfast following)

Worship 10:30 a.m.—Holy Communion

Salem United Church of Christ

Shrimp and Chicken Dinner

March 23 ~ 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: oesterlyb@yahoo.com

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

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.

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.

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

rhonda@calmo-ucc.org

Please pray for these . . .

Love & Justice in God's World

Family and Friends of Betty Kirchoff

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*)

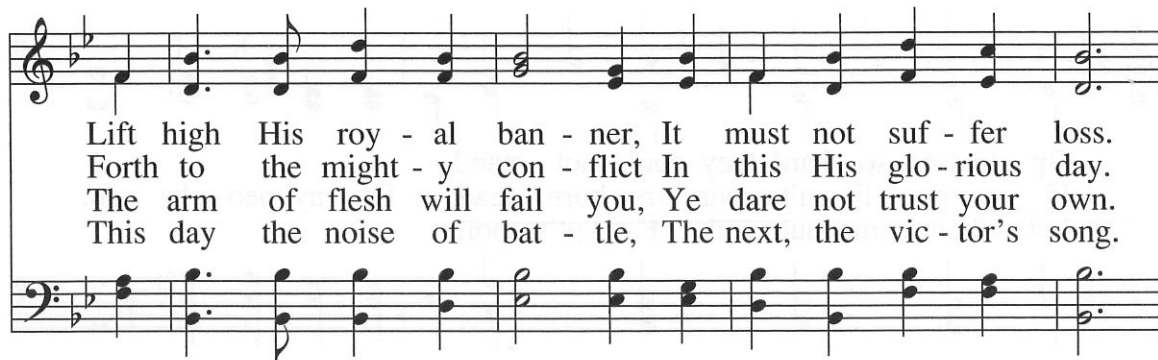
Thank you for the beautiful flowers sent for Jerry's celebration of life service. We appreciated your prayers and concern during this difficult time. Jerry loved his church family.

The family of Jerry Lee Coale

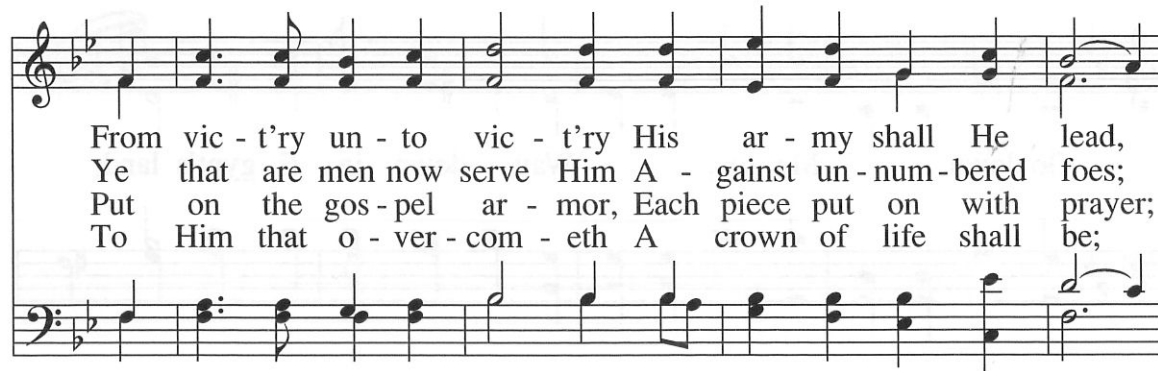
Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus



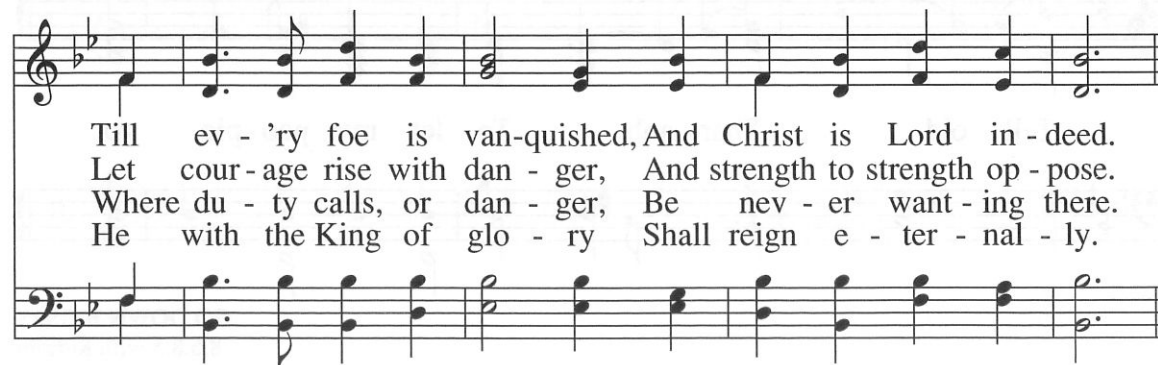
1. Stand up, stand up for Je - sus, Ye sol - diers of the cross!
2. Stand up, stand up for Je - sus, The trum - pet call o - bey;
3. Stand up, stand up for Je - sus, Stand in His strength a - lone;
4. Stand up, stand up for Je - sus, The strife will not be long;



Lift high His roy - al ban - ner, It must not suf - fer loss.
Forth to the might - y con - flict In this His glo - rious day.
The arm of flesh will fail you, Ye dare not trust your own.
This day the noise of bat - tle, The next, the vic - tor's song.



From vic - t'ry un - to vic - t'ry His ar - my shall He lead,
Ye that are men now serve Him A - gainst un - num - bered foes;
Put on the gos - pel ar - mor, Each piece put on with prayer;
To Him that o - ver - com - eth A crown of life shall be;

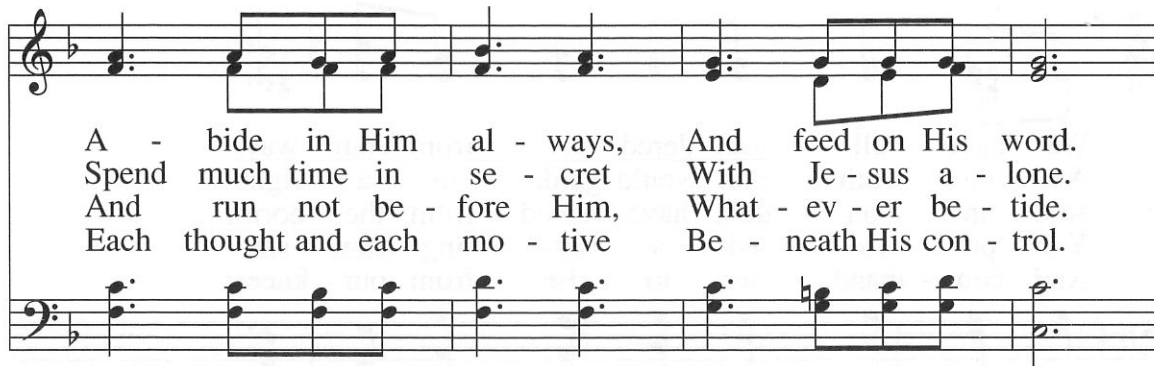


Till ev - 'ry foe is van - quished, And Christ is Lord in - deed.
Let cour - age rise with dan - ger, And strength to strength op - pose.
Where du - ty calls, or dan - ger, Be nev - er want - ing there.
He with the King of glo - ry Shall reign e - ter - nal - ly.

Take Time to Be Holy



1. Take time to be ho - ly, Speak oft with thy Lord;
2. Take time to be ho - ly, The world rush-es on;
3. Take time to be ho - ly, Let Him be thy guide,
4. Take time to be ho - ly, Be calm in thy soul,



A - bide in Him al - ways, And feed on His word.
Spend much time in se - cret With Je - sus a - lone.
And run not be - fore Him, What - ev - er be - tide.
Each thought and each mo - tive Be - neath His con - trol.



Make friends of God's chil - dren, Help those who are weak,
By look - ing to Je - sus, Like Him thou shalt be;
In joy or in sor - row, Still fol - low the Lord,
Thus led by His spir - it To foun - tains of love,



For - get - ting in noth - ing His bless - ing to seek.
Thy friends in thy con - duct His like - ness shall see.
And, look - ing to Je - sus, Still trust in His word.
Thou soon shalt be fit - ted For serv - ice a - bove.

His Name Is Wonderful

1. His name is Won-der-ful, His name is Won-der-ful,
2. He is the might-y King, Mas-ter of ev-'ry-thing;

The first system of the sheet music features a treble and bass clef in 3/4 time. The melody is in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The lyrics are printed below the notes.

1. His name is Won-der-ful, Je-sus, my Lord. Je-sus, my Lord.
2. His name is Won-der-ful, Je-sus, my Lord. Je-sus, my Lord.

The second system continues the melody and bass line. It includes first and second endings, indicated by '1.' and '2.' above the staff. The lyrics are printed below the notes.

He's the great Shep-herd, the Rock of all a-ges, Al-might-y

The third system continues the melody and bass line. The lyrics are printed below the notes.

God is He; Bow down be-fore Him, Love and a-

The fourth system continues the melody and bass line. The lyrics are printed below the notes.

dore Him, His name is Won-der-ful, Je-sus, my Lord.

The fifth system concludes the melody and bass line. The lyrics are printed below the notes.

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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