United Church of Christ of California ~ California, Missouri

Rev. Russell Cobb

Pastor

Mrs. Beth Dampf

Organist

Mrs. Stacy Friedrich

Sr. Choir Director

April 14, 2024 ~ Third Sunday of Easter

*All those who are able, please stand

The Bell

The Prelude

Lighting of the Candles Grayden Gatlin & Rylan Robertson

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

Like the disciples who met the risen Christ,

we come hoping for unexpected appearances of God's love.

We come with our questions and doubts, and listen for Christ to appear in our midst saying:

"Peace be with you."

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

*Hymn No. 38 "O Worship the King, All Glorious Above"

*Prayer of the Day

Gracious God, through the gift of your endless and eternal love, you have established your kingdom here on earth. Send your Holy Spirit to open our eyes that we may see it, enter it and live its reality this day and all our days. 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

"Praise Him, Praise Him"

p. 6 first verse one time

Children's Time

Ginnie Medlin

Anthem

"Always By Our Side"

Sr. Choir

Prayer of Illumination

Susan Burger

Holy and righteous God, you raised Christ from the dead and glorified him at your right hand. Open our minds to understand the scriptures, that we may have faith and know the joy of believing. Amen.

Scripture Lessons

First Lesson:

Job 38:1-7

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Second Lesson:

Psalm 95:1-7

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Sermon Life's Greatest Questions: Does God Exist?
Psalm 14 & Romans 1:18-23

Hymn No. 27 "How Great Thou Art"

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. 277 "This Is the Day" (Sing Twice)
- *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 Evening Meal, April 17th ~ 6 p.m. Taco Salad

Don't forget to sign up!!

California Care Worship Service ~ Thursday, April 18th at 9:30am

Eveyone is welcome to come visit with the residents and sing some hymns. It's a great time!

Food Pantry Items Needed

Each month the Food Pantry is requesting a different food item. For the **month of April, Tuna/Canned Meat** is the food item requested. There is a box in the downstairs foyer to place your food items.

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ALL CHURCH FAMILY NIGHT TONIGHT

Potluck supper.
Come any time after 5:30,
eat at 6:00,
followed by entertainment and
bingo (prizes for the winners).

Bring your favorite dishes to share. Drinks and table service provided by the Brotherhood.

LET'S HAVE A FUN FAMILY GET TOGETHER!





Sunday ROK (Reaching Our Kids) - TODAY

after children's time till 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



Activities Calendar: April 14, 2024 ~ April 21, 2024

Sunday, April 14, Third Sunday of Easter

9:30 a.m. - Sunday School

10:30 a.m. - Worship

5:30 p.m.- Family Night sponsored by Brotherhood

Tuesday, April 16th

9:00 a.m. - Prayer Cell

Wednesday, April 17th

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

6:00 p.m. - Fellowship Meal

6:30 p.m. - God's Singers & Bell Choir

7:30 p.m. - Sr. Choir

Thursday, April 18th

9:30 a.m. - California Care Worship

Sunday, April 21st

9:30 a.m. - Sunday School

10:30 a.m. - Worship

Looking ahead ~

April 22nd – Brotherhood 7:00 p.m.

May 3rd – National Day of Prayer-Courthouse at noon

May 12th - Mother's Day/Senior Recognition Sunday

May 13th - Consistory 6:00 p.m.

May 15th - Women's Guild

Congratulations to our Sunday School 1st Quarter Perfect Attendance

Tony Barry, Connie Bestgen, Jay Bestgen, Judy Burger, Courtney Cassil, Carla Clennin, Beth Dampf, Cressida Gattermeir, Dave Gattermeir, Caleb Howard, Kent Howard, Dyan Ingram, Justin Kilmer, Tammy Kilmer, Phyllis Miller, Ronda Mortenson, Joyce Rohrbach, Norman Rohrbach, and Larry Schoeneberg

Please join us for **Sunday School** – will your name be added for 2nd quarter (April – June)

Sunday School with one absentee for 1st Quarter

Adult classes: Carole Barbour, Beth Chambers, Doug Dampf, Kris Ingram, Lola McCarthy, Allan Mortenson, and Larry Rohrbach

Student classes: Lauren Lawson and Kolly Opie

Tidings News

Due by April 19th

Please pray for these . . .

Love & Justice in God's World

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)

Camp Aurora



Summer 2024 Dates

Senior High Camp July 7 - 13

Junior High Camp July 14 - 19

Junior Camp July 21 - 26

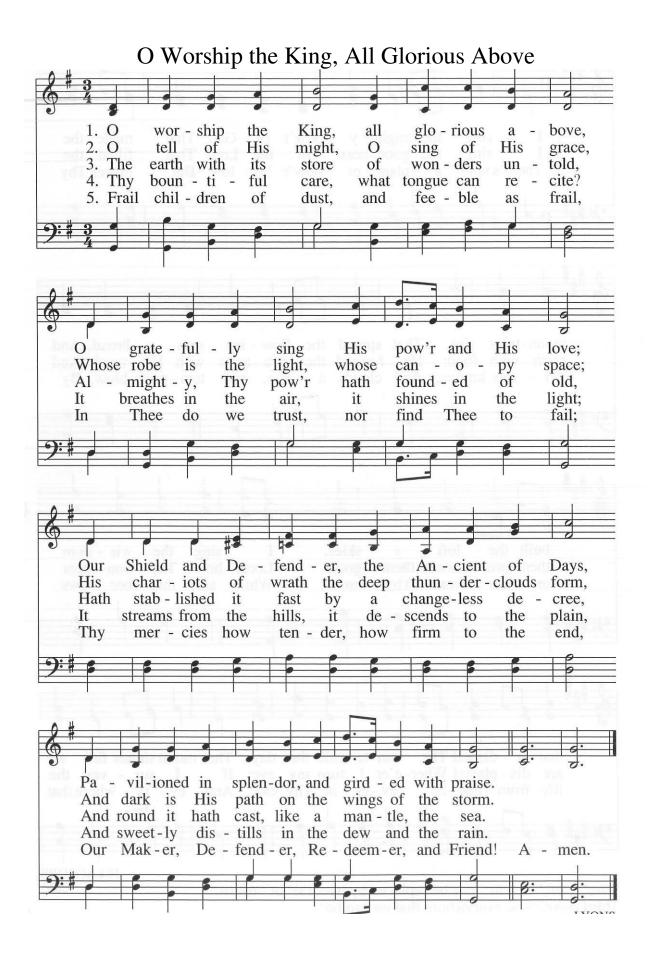
Primary Camp July 28 - 31

Sunday School will pay ½ of Early Registration Fee for Member and One Friend. Contact Cinda Scheidt for more information.

A **Nursery** is available in the upstairs hallway, 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.



How Great Thou Art





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This Is the Day



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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KYRIE

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