

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

April 28, 2024 ~ Fifth Sunday of Easter

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

The Bell

The Prelude

Lighting of the Candles Logan Milligan & Megan Carlock

Chorale Opening

Welcome and Announcements

***Call to Worship**

Let us worship in the name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit. Christ went up, above and beyond the
heavens,

To fill the whole universe with his presence. Alleluia!

***Hymn No. 281 "Count Your Blessings"**

***Prayer of the Day**

**O God, we gather as witnesses to your promise that if we seek
you with all our hearts, we will find you. Be among us this
day. Make us new again with your holy grace. Come, Holy
Spirit, come. 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 Puppets

Sacrament of Baptism Rev. Stephen Buchholz

Elliott Marie Baker
Daughter of Shane and Kayla Baker

Anthem “Give Me Oil for My Lamp” God’s Singers

Prayer for Illumination Beth Dampf
Almighty God, your Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence. Give us pure hearts and steadfast wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Scripture Lessons

First Lesson: Job 7:16-21 p. 438

Second Lesson: I Peter 4:12-19 p. 1060

Sermon **Life’s Greatest Questions: Why does God Allow Pain & Suffering?**
Romans 5:1-5

Hymn No. 390 “It Is Well with My Soul”

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. 57 *“Fairest Lord Jesus”*

*Benediction

*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

We rejoice with Shane & Kayla Baker on the baptism
of their daughter, Elliott Marie Baker.
Elliott’s sponsors are Jaclyn and Brian Smail

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Activities Calendar: April 28, 2024 ~ May 5, 2024

Sunday, April 28th – Fifth Sunday of Easter

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship

Tuesday, April 30th

9:00 a.m. – Prayer Cell

Wednesday, May 1st

6:30 p.m. – God's Singers and Bell Choir

7:30 p.m. – Sr. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, May 2nd

12:00 noon – National Day of Prayer-Courthouse

Sunday, May 5th

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship

Looking ahead ~

May 6th – Sunday School T& O meeting 7:00 p.m.

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

May 13th – Consistory 6:00 p.m.

May 15th - Women's Guild

May 20th – Brotherhood 7:00 p.m.

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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.

*Please pray for these . . .*

Love & Justice in God's World

**All Those Who Need Our Prayers, including:**

Becky Zuidervaat      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, Great Lakes Naval Base, North Chicago, IL*)

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*)

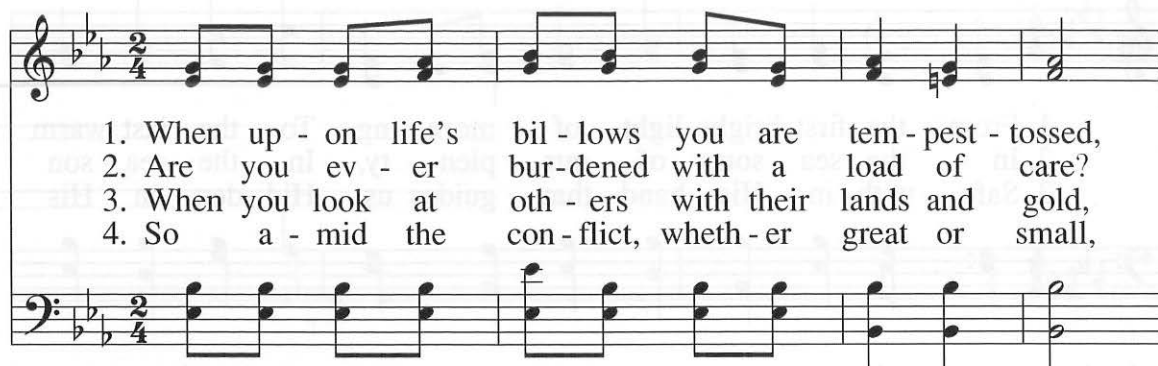


The California Ministerial Alliance invites you for prayer at the Moniteau County Courthouse on **Thursday, May 2nd**. Prayer will begin at 12:05 at the flag pole. Lunch is provided for soldiers and vets, firefighters, emergency responders and all who serve in the Courthouse and City Hall.

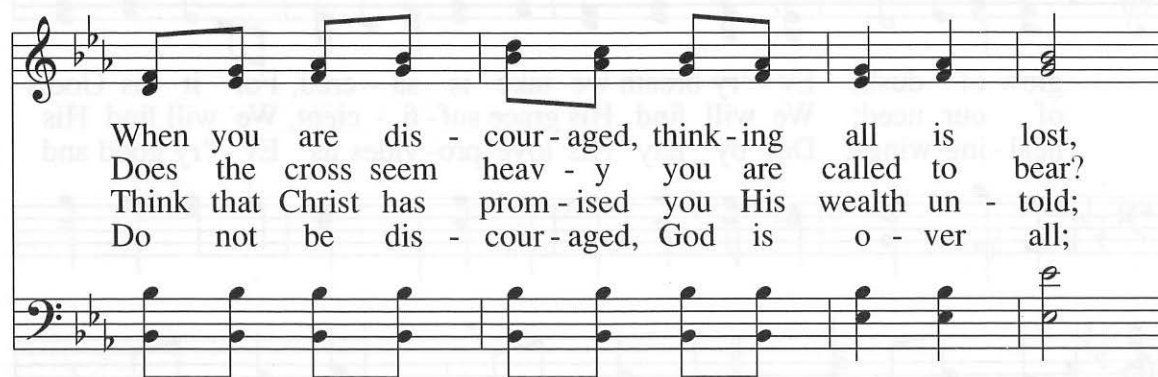
**Food Pantry Items Needed**

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

# Count Your Blessings



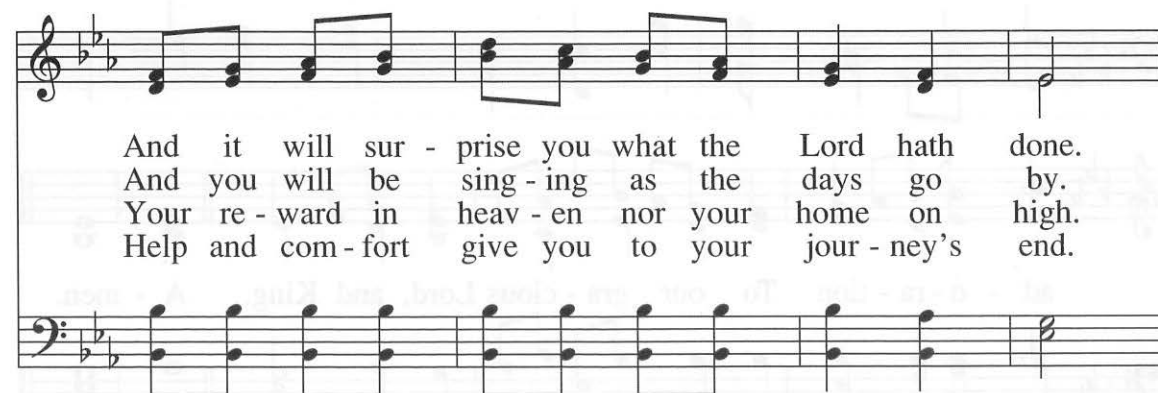
1. When up - on life's bil - lows you are tem - pest - tossed,  
2. Are you ev - er bur - dened with a load of care?  
3. When you look at oth - ers with their lands and gold,  
4. So a - mid the con - flict, wheth - er great or small,



When you are dis - cour - aged, think - ing all is lost,  
Does the cross seem heav - y you are called to bear?  
Think that Christ has prom - ised you His wealth un - told;  
Do not be dis - cour - aged, God is o - ver all;



Count your man - y bless - ings, name them one by one,  
Count your man - y bless - ings, ev - 'ry doubt will fly,  
Count your man - y bless - ings, mon - ey can - not buy  
Count your man - y bless - ings, an - gels will at - tend,



And it will sur - prise you what the Lord hath done.  
And you will be sing - ing as the days go by.  
Your re - ward in heav - en nor your home on high.  
Help and com - fort give you to your jour - ney's end.

Count your bless-ings, name them one by

Count your man - y bless-ings, name them one by

one; Count your bless - ings, see what

one; Count your man - y bless - ings,

God hath done; Count your

see what God hath done; Count your man - y

bless - ings, Name them one by one;

bless - ings,

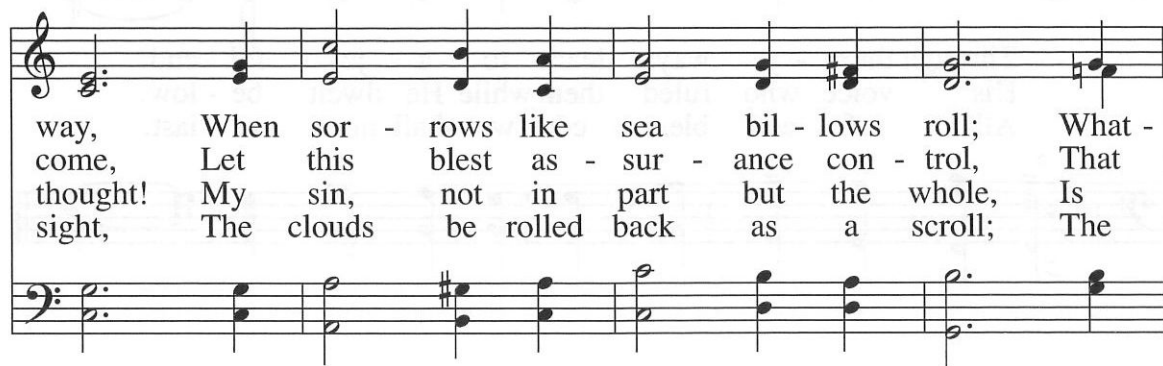
Count your man - y bless-ings, see what God hath done.



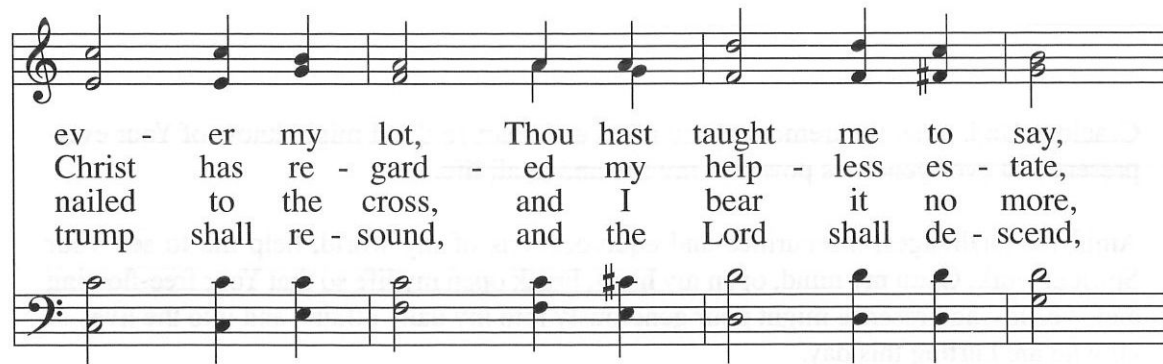
# It Is Well with My Soul



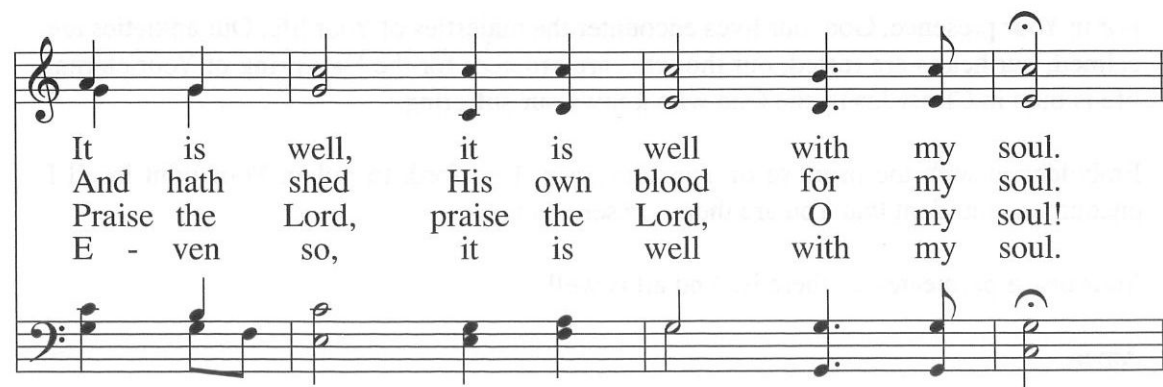
1. When peace, like a riv - er, at - tend - eth my  
 2. Though Sa - tan should buf - fet, though tri - als should  
 3. My sin, oh, the bliss of this glo - ri - ous  
 4. And, Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be



way, When sor - rows like sea bil - lows roll; What -  
 come, Let this blest as - sur - ance con - trol, That  
 thought! My sin, not in part but the whole, Is  
 sight, The clouds be rolled back as a scroll; The



ev - er my lot, Thou hast taught me to say,  
 Christ has re - gard - ed my help - less es - tate,  
 nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more,  
 trump shall re - sound, and the Lord shall de - scend,



It is well, it is well with my soul.  
 And hath shed His own blood for my soul.  
 Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!  
 E - ven so, it is well with my soul.

It is well

with my soul,

The first system of the musical score consists of two staves. The upper staff is in treble clef and contains the vocal melody. It begins with a half note G4, followed by a half note A4, then a half note B4. A slur covers the next two measures: a half note C5 and a half note B4. This is followed by a half note A4, then a half note G4. A final slur covers the last two measures: a half note F#4 and a half note E4. The lower staff is in bass clef and provides harmonic accompaniment. It starts with a whole rest, followed by a half note G3 and a half note F#3. The next measure has a whole rest, followed by a half note E3 and a half note D3. The following measure has a whole rest, followed by a half note C3 and a half note B2. The final measure has a whole rest, followed by a half note A2 and a half note G2.

It is well

with my soul,

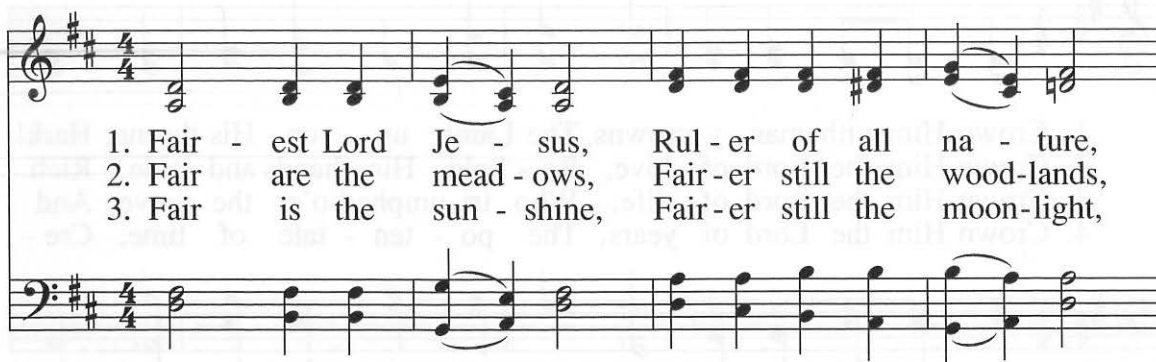
The second system of the musical score also consists of two staves. The upper staff in treble clef continues the vocal melody with a half note D4, followed by a half note C4, then a half note B3. A slur covers the next two measures: a half note A3 and a half note G3. This is followed by a half note F#3, then a half note E3. A final slur covers the last two measures: a half note D3 and a half note C3. The lower staff in bass clef continues the accompaniment with a half note G2 and a half note F#2, followed by a half note E2 and a half note D2. The next measure has a whole rest, followed by a half note C2 and a half note B1. The following measure has a whole rest, followed by a half note A1 and a half note G1. The final measure has a whole rest, followed by a half note F#1 and a half note E1.

It is well,

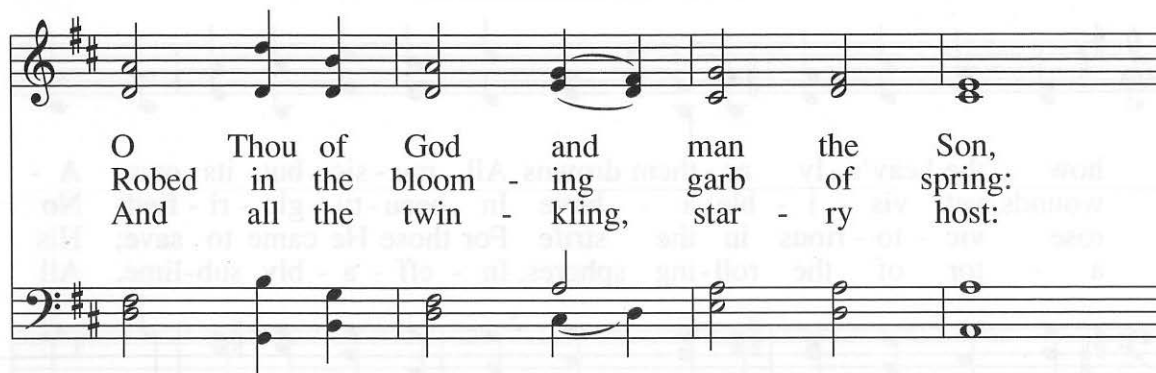
it is well

with my soul.

# Fairest Lord Jesus



1. Fair - est Lord Je - sus, Rul - er of all na - ture,  
2. Fair are the mead - ows, Fair - er still the wood-lands,  
3. Fair is the sun - shine, Fair - er still the moon-light,



O Thou of God and man the Son,  
Robed in the bloom - ing garb of spring:  
And all the twin - kling, star - ry host:



Thee will I cher - ish, Thee will I hon - or, Thou,  
Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is pur - er, Who  
Je - sus shines bright - er, Je - sus shines pur - er, Than



my soul's glo - ry, joy, and crown.  
makes the woe - ful heart to sing.  
all the an - gels heav'n can boast. A - men.

## 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.**  
*Minister: Christ, have mercy upon us.*  
**Congregation: Christ, have mercy upon us.**  
*Minister: Lord, have mercy upon us.*  
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