

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

June 23, 2024 ~ Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

**All those who are able, please stand*

The Bell

The Prelude

Lighting of the Candles Logan Milligan & Brenyn Robertson

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

Love the Lord your God,
**with all your heart, and with all your soul,
and with all your strength, and with all your mind!**
Love your neighbor as yourself,
**with all your heart, and with all your soul,
and with all your strength, and with all your mind!**
Do this and you will live!
Let us worship God!

*Hymn No. 382 “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

*Prayer of the Day

**We thank you, O God, for creating this beautiful world.
We praise you for the life of your creation and for that
eternal love that will not let us go. Widen our hearts and
open our hands to care for all your children, even as
Jesus has cared for us; in his Name we pray. 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 "Down in My Heart" p. 398 1st verse

Children's Time Carole Barbour

Special Music Hadley Milligan & Bella Fulks

Prayer of Illumination Carla Clennin

Merciful God, send your Holy Spirit upon us, that we may hear you speak through the ancient texts. Give us faith, that we may entrust our living and our dying to your gracious care. Give us courage, that we may be bold witnesses for your Son, Jesus Christ. Give us hope, that we may endure every time of trial and, at the last, rejoice in your heavenly kingdom, where Jesus Christ reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

Scripture Lessons

First Lesson: Genesis 15:1-6 p. 11

Second Lesson: Galatians 3:6-14 p. 1013

Sermon **Transformation: A Study on Romans**
Father Abraham-Romans 4

Hymn No. 361 "My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

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. 505 “Faith of Our Fathers”

*Benediction

*Congregational Response –

“I’ve Got Peace Like a River” p. 394

I’ve got peace like a river,

I’ve got peace like a river,

I’ve got peace like a river in my soul

*Postlude

Activities Calendar: June 23, 2024 ~ June 30, 2024

Sunday, June 23, Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship

6:30 p.m. – Bible School

Monday, June 24

6:30 p.m. – Bible School

7:00 p.m. – Brotherhood at First Christian Church

Tuesday, June 25th

9:00 a.m. – Prayer Cell

6:30 p.m. – Bible School

Wednesday, June 26th

6:30 p.m. – Bible School

Thursday, June 27th

6:30 p.m. – Bible School/Fish Fry

Sunday, June 30th, Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship

Looking ahead ~

July 1st – Sunday School Teacher and Officers Meeting – 7 p.m.

July 4th – Independence Day- church office closed

Fourth of July Parade

July 8th – Consistory 6:00 p.m.

R.O.K (Reaching our Kids) is looking for a Crafts leader for the upcoming year (September 2024 – February 2025). R.O.K meets on Wednesday evening at 6:30 PM. This leader or co-leader would be responsible for creating craft projects for students. The project can be completed in one night or multiple weeks. For additional information, please contact Kendra Hall or Carla Clennin.

Food Pantry Items Needed

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

Dear friends at California UCC,

We wish to thank you for again being gracious hosts for our concert last evening of the Lake Area Community Orchestra. You provide a great place for us to perform and it is a pleasure to share music with the California community.

Thanks for the refreshments following the concert. This adds a nice touch and a time for some fellowship.

Blessings to you.

Gene Moll

Lake Area Community Orchestra Publicity Chair

THE LAKE AREA COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA

Remaining Summer Concert Schedule

June 25 West Lake Christian Church, Laurie

July 9 Hope Lutheran Chapel Sokoll Building, Osage Beach

July 16 First Christian Church, East Capitol Ave, Jefferson City

July 23 Lake Ozark Christian Church, Bus. 54, Lake Ozark

July 30 High School Performing Arts Center, Versailles

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Fourth of July Parade

If you would like to donate candy to be given out at the 4th of July parade, please bring candy to the Church office no later than Wednesday, July 3rd. Also, the Evangelism Committee invites you to come walk or ride on the float in the parade!

Come join the Fun!

Please pray for these . . .

Love & Justice in God's World

Family and Friends of Alice Pate, Patty Elliott, Randy Runkle

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 the late Jack & 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*)

Derek Meyer (*grandson of Elaine & Eldred Proctor, Army, Monterey,*

Damion Street (*grandson of Jenine Baker, Army, Munich, Germany*)

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.

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

1. A might - y for - tress is our God, A
2. Did we in our own strength con - fide, Our
3. And though this world, with dev - ils filled, Should
4. That word a - bove all earth - ly pow'rs, No

bul - wark nev - er fail - ing; Our help - er He a -
striv - ing would be los - ing, Were not the right man
threat - en to un - do us, We will not fear, for
thanks to them, a - bid - eth; The Spir - it and the

mid the flood Of mor - tal ills pre - vail - ing.
on our side, The man of God's own choos - ing.
God hath willed His truth to tri - umph through us.
gifts are ours Through Him who with us sid - eth.

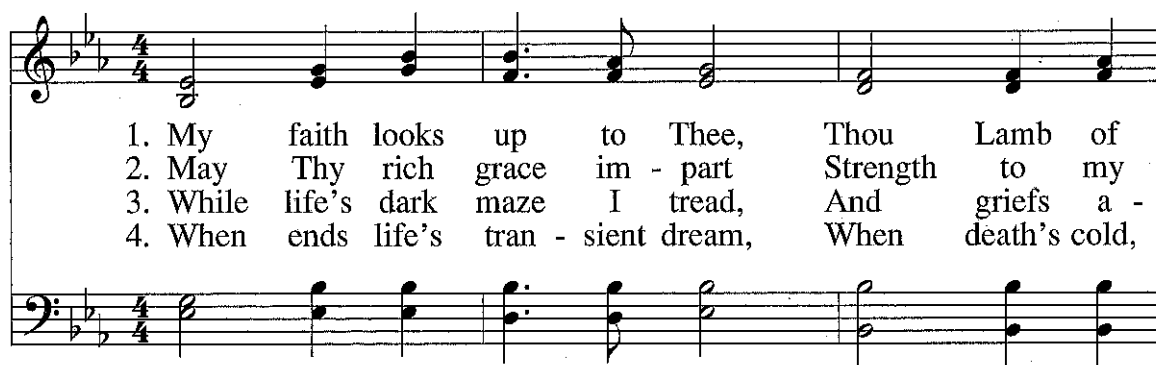
For still our an - cient foe Doth seek to work us woe;
Dost ask who that may be? Christ Je - sus, it is He;
The prince of dark - ness grim, We trem - ble not for Him;
Let goods and kin - dred go, This mor - tal life al - so;

His craft and pow'r are great, And armed with cru - el hate,
 Lord Sa - ba - oth His Name. From age to age the same,
 His rage we can en - dure, For lo, His doom is sure:
 The bod - y they may kill; God's truth a - bid - eth still,

On earth is not his e - qual.
 And He must win the bat - tle.
 One lit - tle word shall fell Him.
 His king - dom is for - ev - er. A - men.

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My Faith Looks Up to Thee



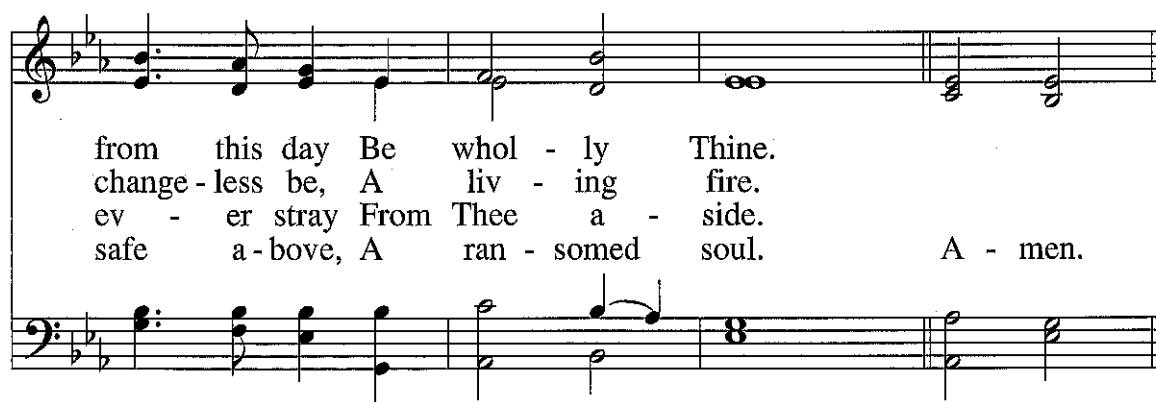
1. My faith looks up to Thee, Thou Lamb of
2. May Thy rich grace im - part Strength to my
3. While life's dark maze I tread, And griefs a -
4. When ends life's tran - sient dream, When death's cold,



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.

Faith of Our Fathers

1. Faith of our fa - thers! Liv - ing still
2. The mar - tyrs, chained in pris - ons dark,
3. Faith of our moth - ers! Faith and prayer
4. Faith of our fa - thers! We will love

The first system of music features a treble and bass staff in G major and 3/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics for four different verses. The bass line provides a steady accompaniment.

In spite of dun - geon, fire and sword:
Were still in heart and con - science free:
Shall win all na - tions un - to Thee;
Both friend and foe in all our strife:

The second system continues the melody and accompaniment. The lyrics describe the hardships of the early Christians and their ultimate triumph through faith.

O how our hearts beat high with joy,
And tru - ly blest would be our fate,
And through the truth that comes from God,
And preach Thee, too, as love knows how,

The third system of music continues the hymn. The lyrics express the joy and blessing of the Christian faith and the mission to preach the Gospel.

When - e'er we hear that glo - rious word:
If we, like them, should die for Thee.
We shall all then in - deed be free.
By kind - ly deeds and vir - tuous life.

The final system of music concludes the hymn. The lyrics emphasize the ultimate goal of the Christian life: to live in freedom through faith and virtuous deeds.

Faith of our fa - thers, ho - ly faith!
Faith of the mar - tyrs, ho - ly faith!
Faith of our moth - ers, ho - ly faith!
Faith of our fa - thers, ho - ly faith!

We will be true to Thee till death. 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.

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