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

August 4, 2024 ~ Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

*All those who are able, please stand

The Bell

The Prelude

Lighting of the Candles Amelia Howard & Rylan Robertson

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

In you, O Lord, I take refuge; let me never be put to shame.

In your righteousness deliver me and rescue me;

incline your ear to me and save me.

Be to me a rock of refuge,

a strong fortress, to save me, for you are my rock and my fortress.

Let us sing to the Lord, who is our refuge and our rock!

*Hymn No. 47 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

*Prayer of the Day

Lord God, we seek the powerful presence of Jesus, your Son. We gather in his name to find healing and freedom. We come to give our lives to the power of your praise. Send your Spirit, that we might be energized to worship and to serve. Free us for the new life you have promised. In Jesus' 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	"Jesus Loves Me"		
Children's Time	Anny Roll		
Special Music	Steve Inglish		
Prayer for Illumination	Carole Barbour		

Creative God, we do not ask that you would only open our hearts and our ears to the truth of your gospel. More than this, we ask that you would open our mouths, to proclaim your grace throughout the world and sing your praise with eternal joy. Speak, O Lord, for your servants are eager to hear. Amen

Scripture Lessons

First Lesson:	Hosea 14:1-7	p. 784
Second Lesson:	John 15:1-8	p. 939

Sermon Transformation: The Remnant Chosen by Grace Romans 11

Hymn No. 362 "I Know Whom I Have Believed"

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. 20 "I Love You, Lord (Sing Twice) *Benediction

*Congregational Response -

"God Be With You Till We Meet Again" God be with you till we meet again; By His counsels guide, uphold you, With His sheep securely fold you: God be with you till we meet again.

*Postlude

The flowers at the front of the church are in honor of *Norman and Joyce Rohrbach's 50th Wedding Anniversary*! For fifty years, their lives have been a union of love for the Lord, one another, their family, their church family, and their community.

<u>Activities Calendar: August 4, 2024 ~ August 11, 2024</u> <u>Sunday, August 4, Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost</u>

9:30 a.m. - Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship-Acolyte Training following

7:00 p.m. – Community Band followed by Worship Services at the Fairgrounds.

Tuesday, August 6th

9:00 a.m. – Prayer Cell

Sunday, August 11, Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School 10:30 a.m. – Worship Looking ahead ~ Aug. 12th- Consistory 6:00 p.m. Aug. 13th – Sunday School Teachers and Officers Meeting 7:00 p.m. Aug. 18th – Rally Sunday Aug. 21st – Women's Guild cleaning day 9:00 a.m. - First Day of School Aug. 24th- Salem UCC Ice Cream Social 4:00 p.m. Aug. 26th - Brotherhood Fish Fry

Acolyte Training

Today, Sunday, August 4, immediately following church service. (Meet in the choir room for about 45 minutes to an hour, depending on class size. Please contact Courtney Cassil if you have questions or need to set up another time if your child is interested but can't make either of these times. 573-680-5347

Food Pantry Items Needed

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

Thank you to Pastor Russ and all of you so much for all of the cards, visits and special gifts during my recovery from right shoulder surgery! It means a lot to be thought of!! God bless each of you!

Deb McDaniel



Sunday ROK (Reaching Our Kids) <u>Sunday, August 11</u>

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.

Salem United Church of Christ Annual Ice Cream Social

Saturday, August 24 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.

Please pray for these . . .

Love & Justice in God's World

Family and Friends of Art Liebi, Bill Stahl, Norma Porter, Bryan Hampton and Paulette Reynolds

All Those Who Need Our Prayers, including:

Becky ZuidervaartBill SchachtJo SuggsJudy KilmerJaden 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) Blake Street (grandson of Jenine Baker, Basic Training, Ft. Still, OK)

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Senior Choir

Attention all singers! Practices for the Senior Choir will start on <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>August 21st at 7:30pm</u> 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 <u>Wednesday, August 28th at 6:30pm</u>. New Bell members are always welcome!

Becky Schneider, Bell Choir Director

A **Nursery** is available in the upstairs hallway, just outside the sanctuary. The nursery volunteer is **Betty Cobb**. 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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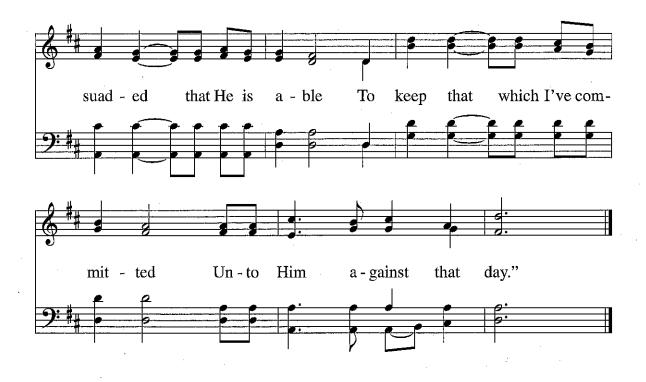
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To access the bottom doors when locked, you will find the call button and key fob pad outside on the pole next to the mailbox. If you do not have a key fob, simply just press the call button and wait for the office to open the door. If you have a key fob, just simply swipe your fob in front of the black pad. You should hear a beep or see the light change to green, and the door will unlock. If you need to use the handicapped button, the door must be first unlocked either by the office or your key fob before pressing the handicapped button. Any member wanting a key fob issued, just let Rhonda know in the office. The doors are locked primarily on a daily basis other than scheduled events.









I Love You, Lord



THE APOSTLES' CREED

l 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 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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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. Congregation: Lord, have mercy upon us.