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

September 22, 2024 ~ Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

*All those who are able, please stand

The Bell

The Prelude

Lighting of the Candles Brynna Hall & Charley Medlin

Choral Opening

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

The heavens declare the righteousness of God.

The earth declares God's beauty.

From the rising of the sun to its setting

God's word shines forth in glory.

*Hymn No. 74 "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing" *Prayer of the Day

We praise you, O God, for the gift of this new day and for the call of Christ in our lives. May your love dawn upon us as we worship. May your Spirit feed us and lead us. May the joy we feel be expressed in praises in this sanctuary and in service in your world. Come, Lord Jesus! 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 "Count Your Blessings" p.281 (*Chorus only and one time*)

Children's Time

Kendra Hall

Anthem "I'm So Wonderfully Made" God's Singers

Prayer for Illumination

Carla Clennin

O God, reveal yourself to us in these sacred writings, so that we will recognize you when we see you in ourselves, in our neighbors, and in this world that you love. Send your Spirit upon us. Make us attentive and responsive disciples of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Scripture Lessons

First Lesson:	Luke 10:1-11	p. 901
Second Lesson:	I Corinthians 9:19-23	p. 997

Sermon Legacy & Growth: Who is Our Target Audience? Matthew 10

Hymn No. 48 "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

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. 20 "I Love You, Lord" (sing twice)

*Benediction

*Congregational Response –

"Blest Be the Tie That Binds" (p. 497) verse 1 & 4 "Blest be the tie that binds Our hearts in Christian love; The fellowship of kindred minds Is like to that above. When we are called to part, It give us inward pain, But we shall still be joined in heart, And hope to meet again."

*Postlude

Activities Calendar: September 22, 2024 ~ September 29, 2024

Sunday, September 22, 2024, Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 a.m. - Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship

Monday, September 23, 2024

12:00 p.m. – Prison Ministry Luncheon hosted by Women's Guild 6:30 p.m. - GriefShare

7:00 p.m. - Brotherhood

Tuesday, September 24, 2024

9:00 a.m. – Prayer Cell

Wednesday, September 25, 2024

6:00 p.m. - Fellowship Meal

6:30 p.m. - Bell Choir, ROK/God Singers, Confirmation

7:30 p.m. - Sr. Choir practice

Thursday, September 26, 2024

9:30 a.m. - California Care Worship

Sunday, September 29, 2024, Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 a.m. - Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship

Looking ahead......

September 30 - GriefShare

October 4 - Men's Bible Study at the Crossroads

October 6 - World Communion Sunday October 7 - GriefShare / Sunday School Teachers and Officers Meeting October 9 – Youth Fundraiser Meal October 14 - GriefShare / Consistory October 16 – Women's Guild October 20 - Sunday School Fall Party October 21 - GriefShare October 28 – GriefShare / Brotherhood

<u>Wednesday Evening Meal, September 25 - 6:00 p.m.</u> Chicken Fettuccine, Vegetable, Fruit and Garlic Bread

Wednesday Evening Meal Reservations

There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board by the kitchen for donating desserts & helping in the kitchen with clean up, drying dishes & wiping tables down.

Your help will be much appreciated! **Sign Up for Wednesday Evening Meals** Sign up on the clip board at the office window or at the back of the sanctuary. Or by 4:00 Monday: Call the church office (796-4885) Email Rhonda: <u>rhonda@calmo-ucc.org</u>

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.

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Please pray for these . . .

Love & Justice in God's World

Family and Friends of Mark Ash, Rebecca Eichelberger, Nadine Harris, Milton Fromm and Angela Flippin

Confirmands:

Conner Brockes, Jaelea Hall, Carson Kruger, Jess Medlin, Ava Motley, Brenyn Robertson, Rylan Robertson and Hazel Wolford

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

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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)

Grief Share Class

A Grief Share class will begin <u>Monday, September 23rd</u> 6:30 – 8:30 p.m., here at the Church. For more information, contact Jo Ann Cantriel at 573-690-6869 or joanncan@yahoo.com

Worship at California Care Center <u>Thursday, September 26th at 9:30 am</u>

Come sing some songs and fellowship with the residents. All are welcome! Central Church invites Brotherhood and spouses for dinner and fellowship on **Tuesday, October 1** at 6:00 p.m. <u>RSVP by September 24</u> the number that plan to come to 573-893-4912 or 573-635-1041. Carl Ernst

Food Pantry Items Needed

Each month the Food Pantry is requesting a different food item. For the <u>month of September, Green Beans</u> is the food item requested, but any canned vegetable will be appreciated at this time. There is a box in the downstairs foyer to place your food items.

Strength Training Progam for Older Adults

First Christian Church Tuesdays & Thursdays 9:00 to 10:00 AM

Starts Tuesday, October 1, 2024

\$50 for entire program Contact instructor, Alex Freeburger, to sign up at 660-827-0591

Diaper Raffle Sept. 3rd - 30th Commerce Bank-California Donate disposable diapers, pull-ups & wipes to enter the raffle. Drawing will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 1st. Donations go to restock The Well CaliMO

You are invited to join Prayer Cell.

The Prayer Cell group meets each Tuesday, from 9:00-9:30 a.m. in the conference room. We gather together in prayer and in fellowship. Bring you concerns and your praises to share. There is room for you.

Please join the Women's Guild in supporting the **Festival of Sharing**

The Women's Guild invites you to put together one of the kits that are most needed in Missouri. Please deliver your kit to the church no later than October 1, 2024.

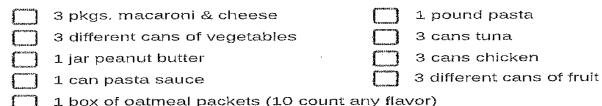
Monetary gifts are also appreciated. Please indicate on check or envelope that your donation is for Festival of Sharing. All will be delivered to the Sharefest Location on **October 12, 2024**.

We thank you for prayerfully considering to help our group!



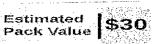
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Instructions: Tighten lids and place all items in a large zipper storage bag (2-2.5 gallon). Place completed packs in boxes labeled with **"Missouri Personal Hygiene Packs"** and the quantity on the exterior.

- 1 fluoride toothpaste (6 oz. or more)
- 1 toothbrush (in original package)
- 1 bottle of body wash (15-22 oz.)
 - 1 bottle shampoo (12-16 oz.)
- 1 washcloth

- 1 hand towel
- 1 deodorant
 - 2 razors (disposable)
 - 1 comb (large) OR brush
 -] 1 bottle travel skin lotion (1-3 oz.)



Missouri Paper Product Pack 4.659 requested versus 1.119 shared in 2023



Instructions: Place all items in a tall-sized kitchen trash bag. Label the trash bag **"Missouri Paper Products Pack."**



2 facial tissue (large rectangle boxes)

2 rolls paper towels (good quality)

12 double/mega rolls of toilet paper as 3 packages of 4 or 2 packages of 6 (unable to receive 12 rolls in one pack)



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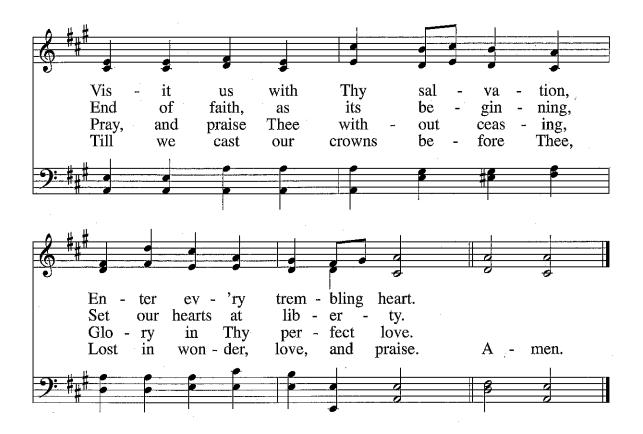
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Minister: Lord, have mercy upon us. Congregation: Lord, have mercy upon us. Minister: Christ, have mercy upon us. Congregation: Christ, have mercy upon us. Minister: Lord, have mercy upon us. Congregation: Lord, have mercy upon us.

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing







I Love You, Lord

