

United Church of Christ
California, Missouri

Rev. Russell Cobb
Mrs. Beth Dampf

Pastor
Organist

December 29, 2024 ~ First Sunday after Christmas

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

The Bell

The Prelude

Lighting of the Candles Camden & Sutton Lawson

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

Come to Bethlehem to behold God and humanity made one.

Here kneel before a child who brings God close.

O Christ, we come, just as we are, to receive you.

**We come to worship you, we come hoping that you will
bless us with your reconciling peace.**

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

*Hymn No. 58 “Crown Him with Many Crowns”

*Prayer of the Day

**Loving Father, you have created us with questioning
hearts and minds. Guide us, we pray, that our questions
will keep us open to your grace. Open our ears that we
may hear and act, living into the answers that you offer
us. For we ask this in the name of our Savior, Jesus
Christ. Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer (*debts and debtors*)
(*printed on laminated card in hymnal*)

Invitation to the Offering

The Offering of Our Gifts and Ourselves

Offertory

*Response “*Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*”
(*printed on laminated card in hymnal*)

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn No. 168 “*Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne*”

*Benediction

*Congregational Response – “**Soon and Very Soon**” p. 218
 “*Soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King,*
 Soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King,
 Soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King,
 Hallelujah, Hallelujah, we're goin' to see the King!”

*Postlude



A **Nursery** is available just outside the sanctuary. The nursery volunteer is **Julie Medlin**. 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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Activities: December 29, 2024 ~ January 5, 2025

Sunday, December 29, 2024:

9:30 a.m. Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Worship

Wednesday, January 1, 2025: New Year's Day – Office Closed

Friday, January 3, 2025

6:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study at Crossroads

Sunday, January 5, 2025: Epiphany

9:30 a.m. Sunday School

10:30 a.m. Worship – Holy Communion

Looking ahead..... Jan. 6 – Sunday School Teacher and Officer Meeting 7 pm

Jan. 8 – Wednesday Night Activities resume

Jan. 13 – Consistory 6 pm

Jan. 15 – Women's Guild at 1pm

Jan. 26 – Annual Meeting/Youth Lunch fundraiser

Jan. 27 - Brotherhood at 7 pm

Reminder: 2024 Annual Reports for Committees & Organizations are due! Financial Reports are due before or by January 10, 2025.

For those that ordered poinsettias or placed an ornament on the Memory Tree, they can be picked up starting after Church today.
Thanks from the Worship Committee.

Community Men's Bible Study
Friday, January 3rd at 6:00 am
Crossroads Plaza

Please pray for these . . .

Love & Justice in God's World

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 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)

Blake Street (grandson of Jenine Baker, Basic Training, Ft. Still, OK)

Annual Meeting scheduled for

Sunday, January 26, 2025

The Consistory wants you to start thinking about and have your thoughts ready on the following Capital Improvement ideas.... (they are not in any priority order)

-Stained Glass Window Repairs and Stabilization

-Church Sign on Oak Street

-Roof/Awning at Lower Entrance

-Tile Floor Replacement at Lower Entrance and Hallways

Crown Him with Many Crowns



1. Crown Him with man - y crowns, The Lamb up - on His throne; Hark!
2. Crown Him the Lord of love, Be - hold His hands and side, Rich
3. Crown Him the Lord of life, Who tri-umphed o'er the grave, And
4. Crown Him the Lord of years, The po - ten - tate of time, Cre -



how the heav'n-ly an-them drowns All mu-sic but its own. A -
wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove In beau-ty glo - ri - fied. No
rose vic - to - rious in the strife For those He came to save; His
a - tor of the roll-ing spheres, In - eff - a - bly sub-lime. All



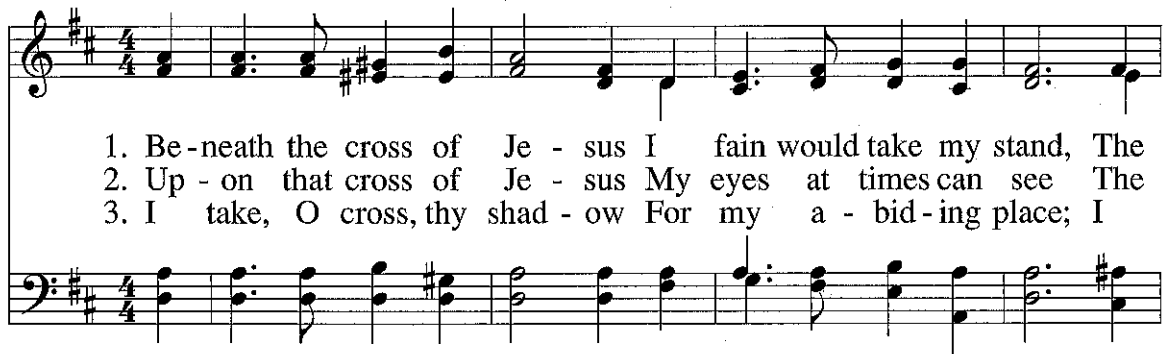
wake, my soul, and sing Of Him who died for thee, And hail Him
an - gel in the sky Can ful - ly bear that sight, But down-ward
glo - ries now we sing Who died and rose on high, Who died, e -
hail, Re-deem-er, hail! For Thou hast died for me; Thy praise shall



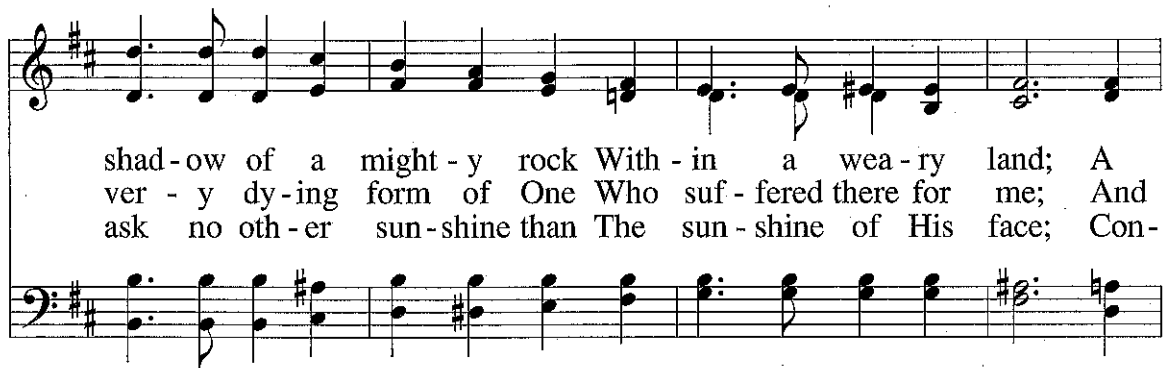
as thy match-less King Through all e - ter - ni - ty.
bends His burn - ing eye At mys-ter - ies so bright.
ter - nal life to bring, And lives that death may die.
nev - er, nev - er fail Through-out e - ter - ni - ty. A-men.



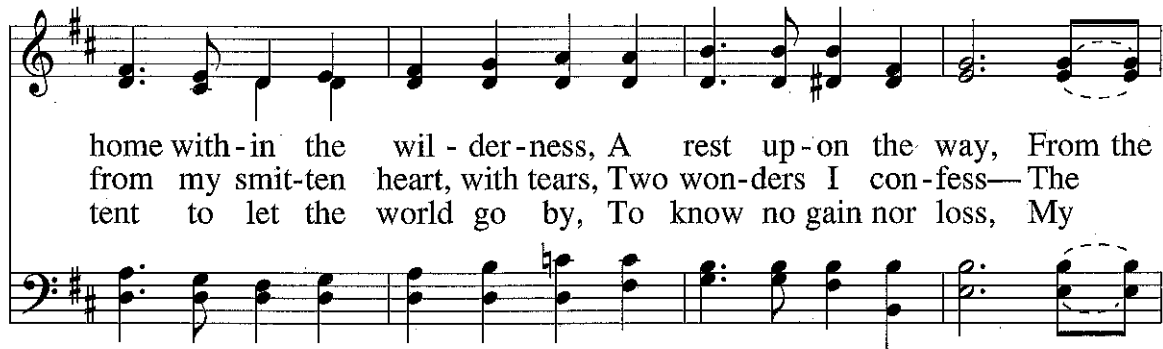
Beneath the Cross of Jesus



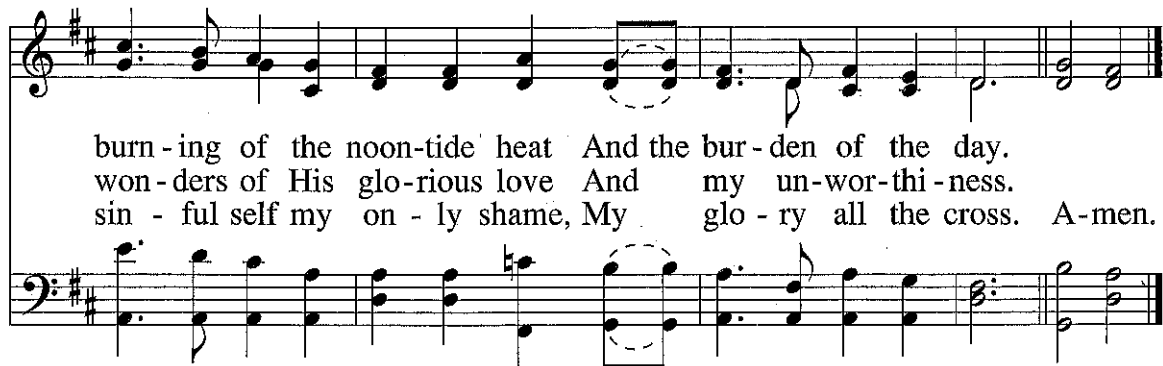
1. Be - neath the cross of Je - sus I fain would take my stand, The
2. Up - on that cross of Je - sus My eyes at times can see The
3. I take, O cross, thy shad - ow For my a - bid - ing place; I



shad - ow of a might - y rock With - in a wea - ry land; A
ver - y dy - ing form of One Who suf - fered there for me; And
ask no oth - er sun - shine than The sun - shine of His face; Con -

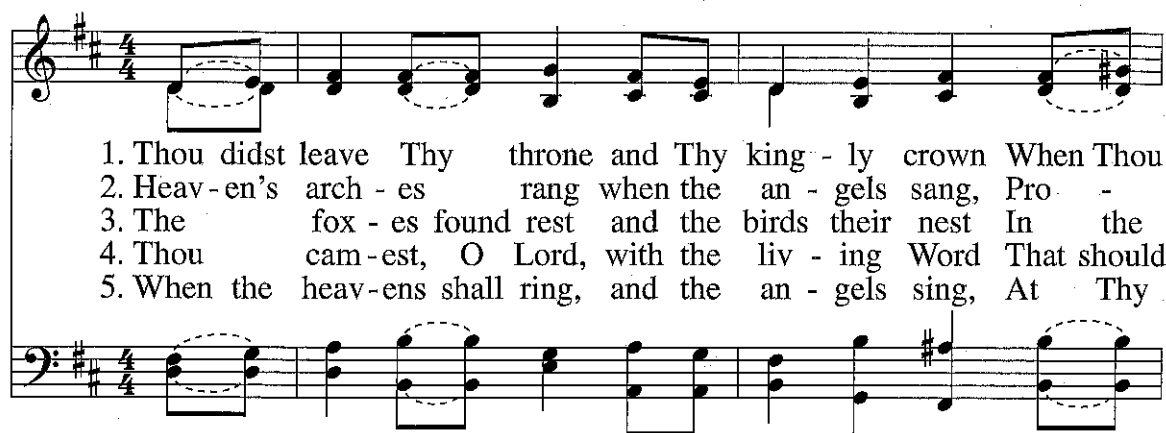


home with - in the wil - der - ness, A rest up - on the way, From the
from my smit - ten heart, with tears, Two won - ders I con - fess— The
tent to let the world go by, To know no gain nor loss, My

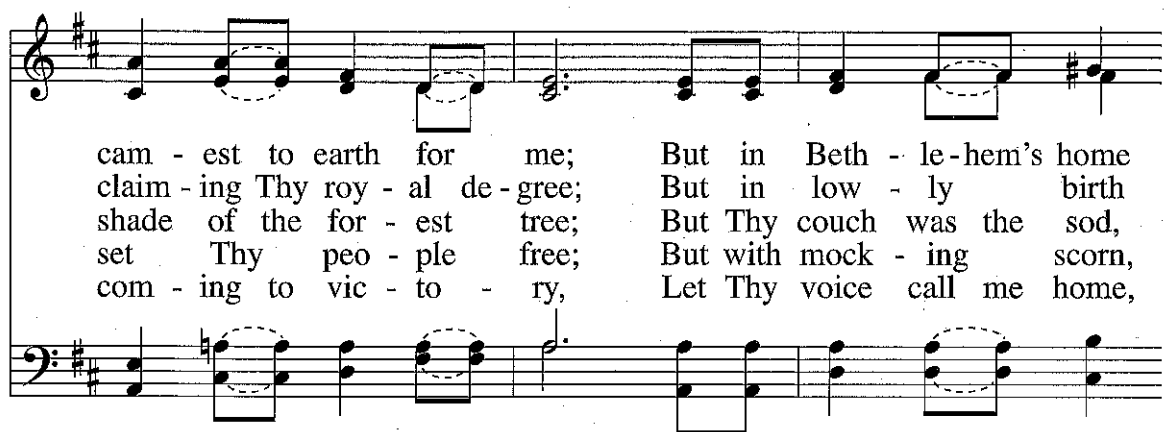


burn - ing of the noon - tide heat And the bur - den of the day.
won - ders of His glo - rious love And my un - wor - thi - ness.
sin - ful self my on - ly shame, My glo - ry all the cross. A - men.

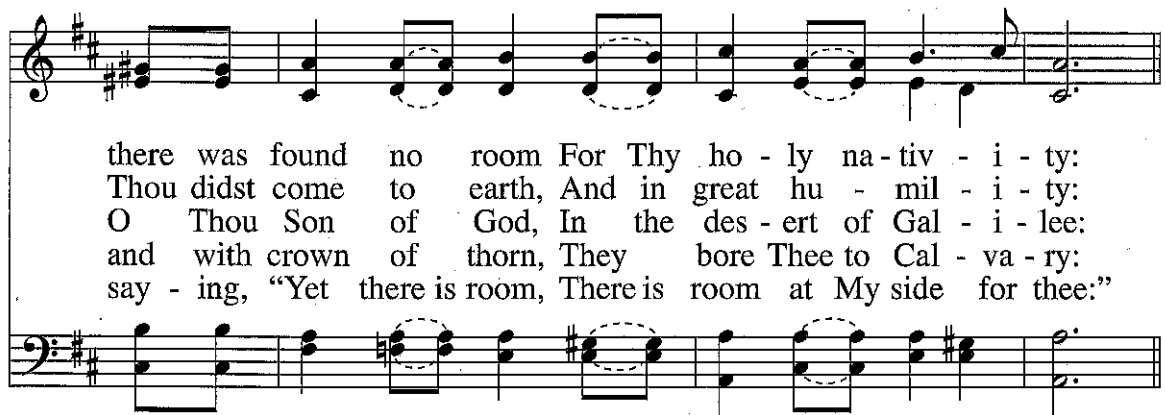
Thou Didst Leave Thy Throne



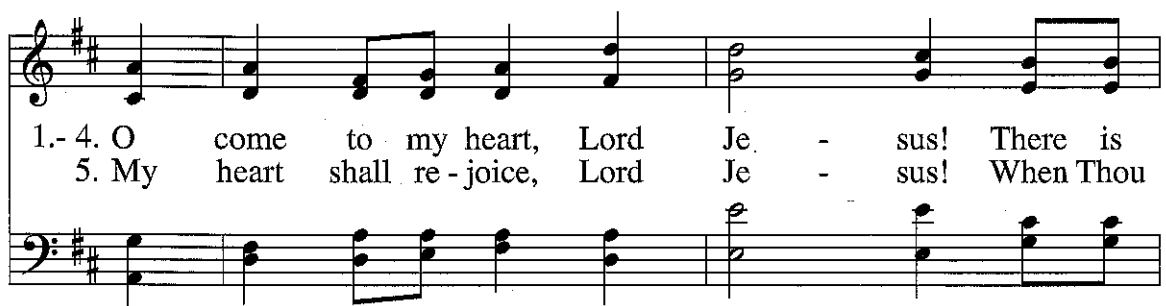
1. Thou didst leave Thy throne and Thy king - ly crown When Thou
 2. Heav - en's arch - es rang when the an - gels sang, Pro -
 3. The fox - es found rest and the birds their nest In the
 4. Thou cam - est, O Lord, with the liv - ing Word That should
 5. When the heav - ens shall ring, and the an - gels sing, At Thy



cam - est to earth for me; But in Beth - le - hem's home
 claim - ing Thy roy - al de - gree; But in low - ly birth
 shade of the for - est tree; But Thy couch was the sod,
 set Thy peo - ple free; But with mock - ing scorn,
 com - ing to vic - to - ry, Let Thy voice call me home,



there was found no room For Thy ho - ly na - tiv - i - ty:
 Thou didst come to earth, And in great hu - mil - i - ty:
 O Thou Son of God, In the des - ert of Gal - i - lee:
 and with crown of thorn, They bore Thee to Cal - va - ry:
 say - ing, "Yet there is room, There is room at My side for thee:"



1.- 4. O come to my heart, Lord Je - sus! There is
 5. My heart shall re - joice, Lord Je - sus! When Thou

room in my heart for Thee.
com - est and call - est for me. 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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