United Church of Christ of California – California, MO

**Rev. Russell Cobb** 

**Pastor** 

Mrs. Beth Dampf

**Organist** 

Mrs. Becky Schneider

**Bell Choir Director** 

#### February 16, 2025 ~ The Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

\* All those who are able, please stand.

The Bell

The Prelude

Lighting of the Candles

Camden & Sutton Lawson

Welcome and Announcements

\*Call to Worship

The morning has dawned. The people are gathered.

The Spirit speaks. Hope is reborn.

We gather, remembering God's amazing promise:

Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes in the morning.

The joy has come.

**Praise God!** 

Thank You, Lord, for who You are and what You do. Help us to speak about and to act upon Your perfect gifts, and Your wonderful works — every day, in ordinary ways and places. This we pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

<sup>\*</sup>Hymn No. 546 "Revive Us Again"

<sup>\*</sup>Prayer of the Day

\*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 "Jesus Loves the Little Children" p. 166 Children's Time Anny Roll

Anthem "I Love You, Lord"

Bell Choir

Prayer for Illumination

Susan Burger

Lord God of heaven and earth, we ask you to send your Spirit upon us, that we may hear, speak, and do your Word. Make us agents of your love. Bless all people with your peace; through Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. Amen.

Scripture Lessons

First Lesson: John 15:1-8

p. 939

Second Lesson: Colossians 3:1-10 p. 1027

Sermon Chosen: To Live for Christ Ephesians 4:17-6:9

Hymn No. 325 "Just As I Am, without One Plea"

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. 349 "Take My Life and Let It Be"
- \*Benediction
- \*Congregational Response "Go in Love"

Go in love, have no fear.

God will guide you, He is always near.

Go in love, take His hand.

God will hear you, He will understand.

May His light forever shine upon you;

May His peace be always in your heart.

Go in love, face each day.

God will lead you, He will show the way. Go in love, and live in faith. Amen.

\*Postlude

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#### Wednesday Evening Meal February 19 ~ 6:00 p.m.

Chili and Soups

Don't forget to sign up!

#### **Food Pantry Items Needed**

Each month the Food Pantry is requesting a different food item. For the **month of February, Soup** is the food item requested. For January, the food item was Cereal if you still want to bring a box or two. All food items are appreciated. There is a box in the downstairs foyer to place your food items.

#### Activities Calendar: February 16, 2025 ~ February 23, 2025

#### Sunday, February 16

9:30 a.m. - Sunday School

10:30 a.m. - Worship

#### Tuesday, February 18

9:00 a.m. - Prayer Cell

#### Wednesday, February 19

1:00 p.m. - Women's Guild

6:00 p.m. – Fellowship Meal

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

7:30 p.m. – Sr. Choir

#### Sunday, February 23

9:30 a.m. - Sunday School

10:30 a.m. - Worship

4:00 p.m.- SS Family Game Night-Chili/Soup Cookoff

Looking ahead......

February 24 - Men's Brotherhood

#### Sunday School is sponsoring





March Tidings News

Due by Friday,

February 21st

When: Sunday, February 23, 2025

Games begin at 4:00 pm Sampling Soup or Chili starts at 5:00 pm



#### 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 (spouse- Jasmine Ash and 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)

A **Nursery** is available just outside the sanctuary. The nursery attendant is **Kya Peck.** 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.

#### Revive Us Again



#### Just As I Am, without One Plea



#### Take My Life and Let It Be



# 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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### DOXOCOY

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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### 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. Congregation: Lord, have mercy upon us.