United Church of Christ of California – California, MORev. Russell CobbPastorMrs. Beth DampfOrganistMrs. Stacy FriedrichSr. Choir Director

The Fifth Sunday in Lent April 6, 2025

* All those who are able, please stand.

The Bell

The Prelude

Lighting of the Candles

Lena & Lee Bieri

Choral Opening

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

Friends, we are gathered to give thanks for all we have received from God's good hands:

to praise God's holy name!

to acknowledge and confess our sins;

to hear God's holy word; and to ask those things needful for life.

Let us draw near to God in all humility and celebrate God's infinite goodness and mercy.

*Hymn No. 58 "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

*Prayer of the Day

God of mercy, you are full of tenderness and compassion, slow to anger, rich in mercy, and always ready to forgive. Grant us grace to renounce all evil and to cling to Christ, that in every way we may prove to be your loving children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

*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 "Tell Me the Stories of Jesus" (1 st verse) p.165		
Children's Time		Ginnie Medlin
Anthem	"I'd Rather Have Jesus"	Senior Choir
Prayer for Illumination		Judy Burger
Wise, all-knowing God, soften our hardened hearts that we may hear your voice in the reading of the Scriptures. Lead		

us and feed us as we travel through this Lenten wilderness towards the promised land. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Scripture LessonsFirst Lesson:Matthew 28:1-10Second Lesson:Mark 7:24-30p. 874

Sermon The People of Jesus: The Lady Disciples Luke 7:36-8:3

Hymn No. 386 "His Eye Is on the Sparrow"

Christians, what do you believe?

Statement of Faith (found on the inside front cover of the hymnal or yellow laminated folder) 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. 337 "Heaven Came Down"

*Benediction

*Congregational Response "Because He Lives" (chorus only) p.204 Because He lives I can face tomorrow; Because He lives all fear is gone; Because I know He holds the future, And life is worth the living just because He lives.

*Postlude

<u>Wednesday, April 9th ~</u> Statement of Faith Conner Brockes and Carson Kruger Special Music Becky Schneider Speaker Frank Hensley

Wednesday Evening Meal, April 9th ~ 5:45pm

Pork Loin, Mashed Potatoes, Vegetable

Don't forget to sign up!!

Reception for Confirmation Class of 2025 *Hosted by the Women's Guild* April 9, 2025 ~ following the Lent service downstairs in the Friendship Hall. All are welcome!

Activities Calendar: April 6, 2025 ~ April 13, 2025 Sunday, April 6 - - Fifth Sunday in Lent

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship

Monday, April 7

6:30 p.m. – Sunday School Teacher and Officers Meeting

Tuesday, April 8

9:00 a.m. – Prayer Cell

Wednesday, April 9 - Sixth Wednesday in Lent

5:45 p.m. – Fellowship Meal

6:15 p.m. – Bell Choir

6:20 p.m. – God's Singers

7:00 p.m. – Worship – Confirmation Reception & Sr. Choir following

Friday, April 11

7:00 p.m. – The Living Lord's Supper

Saturday, April 12

5:30 p.m. – Salem UCC Shrimp and Chicken Dinner

7:00 p.m. – The Living Lord's Supper

Sunday, April 13 - Palm Sunday

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship – Rite of Confirmation

Looking Ahead.....

April 14th – Consistory Meeting at 6 p.m.

April 16th – Women's Guild at 1 p.m.

April 17th – Maundy Thursday Service at 7 p.m.

April 18th- Good Friday – Church office closed

April 20th – Easter Services 7 a.m. – breakfast following and 10:30 a.m.

April 28th – Brotherhood at 7 p.m.

Food Pantry Items Needed

Each month the Food Pantry is requesting a different food item. For the **month of April, Tuna or canned meat** is the food item requested. There is a box in the downstairs foyer to place your food items.

Holy Week Schedule

April 13—Palm Sunday

Worship 10:30 a.m.—Rite of Confirmation

April 17—Maundy Thursday

Worship 7 p.m.—Holy Communion & Tenebrae

April 18—Good Friday

Church Office Closed

April 20—Easter

Worship 7 a.m.—Holy Communion (Breakfast following worship) Worship 10:30 a.m.—Holy Communion

Salem United Church of Christ

Shrimp and Chicken Dinner

April 12 ~ 5:30-7:00 pm

Dine-in or Carry-out Meal includes: shrimp or chicken, cheesy potatoes, slaw, dessert and drink.

Please RSVP by Monday, April 7 to

Brenda Oesterly Home: 573-796-3013 ~ Cell: 573-291-7165 email: <u>oesterlyb@yahoo.com</u> Finke Theatre Presents The Living Lord's Supper Live Performance at 7:00 p.m. April 11 & 12 <u>www.finketheatre.com</u> or 573-691-9939

High School Seniors that are members of California UCC, the Kaiser Scholarship Applications were mailed out and are due in the office **by April 9th!**



Sunday ROK (Reaching Our Kids) Sunday, April 13, 2025

after children's time until the end of the worship service for **Grades K-3rd grade**. We will have a Bible story video, 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.

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.

Please pray for these . . .

Love & Justice in God's World

Family and Friends of Judy Silver, John Baker, Anna Schull, Donna Shane and Dorothy Graham

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 SchachtJenine BakerAlan ChambersCourtney CassilJo SuggsJudy KilmerJaden Perry (Janice Anderson's grandson)

All Those Serving in the U.S. Military, including:

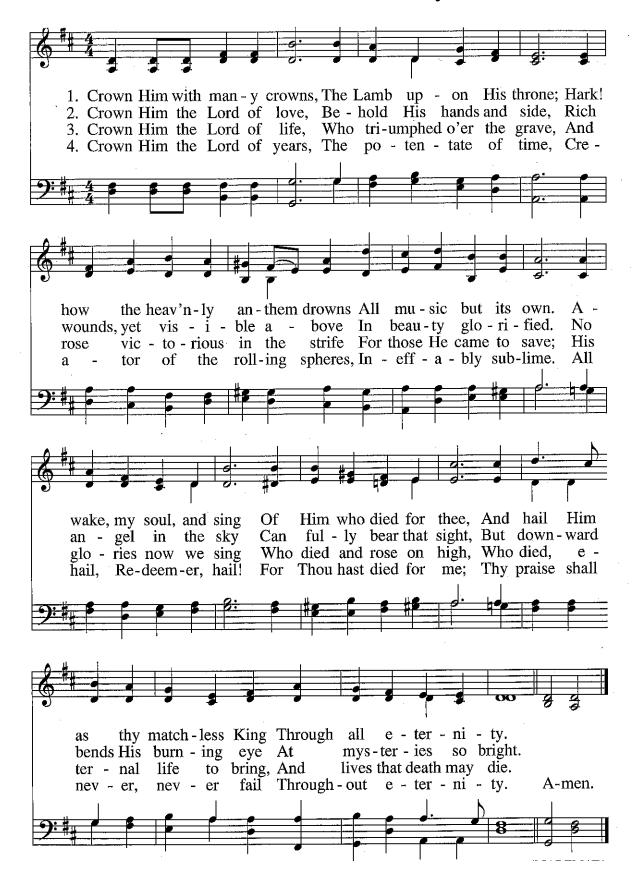
Martin Knipker (son of Kenny Knipker) Dwight Bowlin (grandson of the late Jack & Carole Bowlin, Fort Campbell, KY)

Dakota Meyer (grandson of Billy Meyer, Ft. Carson, Colorado Springs, CO) Madelynn Perry (granddaughter of Jan Anderson, army – Europe) Dylan Ash (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)

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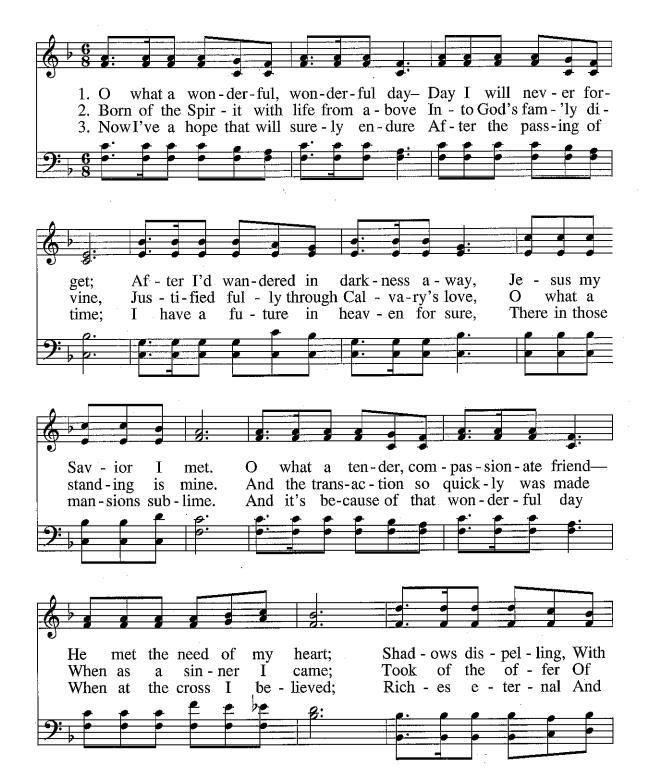


His Eye Is on the Sparrow





Heaven Came Down





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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