

United Church of Christ of California – California, MO
Rev. Russell Cobb Pastor
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Mrs. Connie Bestgen God's Singers Director

May 11, 2025 ~ Fourth Sunday of Easter
Good Shepherd Sunday and Mother's Day

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

The Bell

The Prelude

Lighting of the Candles Meredith & Nora Wolford

Choral Opening

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship *From Psalm 23*

In the name of a gracious God, a risen Savior, and an
empowering Spirit.

Amen.

The Lord is my shepherd,

I shall not want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures;

He leads me beside still waters.

He restores my soul.

He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of
my life,

And I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

*Hymn No. 27 "How Great Thou Art"

***Prayer of the Day**

O Lord Christ, Good Shepherd of the sheep, you seek the lost and guide us into your fold. Feed us, and we shall be satisfied; heal us, and we shall be whole. Make us one with you, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. 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 “Do Lord”

Do Lord, Oh do Lord, Oh do remember me,

Do Lord, Oh do Lord, Oh do remember me

Do Lord, Oh do Lord, Oh do remember me

Way beyond the blue

Children’s Time

Puppets

Anthem “Jesus Is A Rock”

God’s Singers

Prayer for Illumination

Jess Medlin

Shepherd of all, by laying down your life for your flock you reveal your love for all. As we hear your word, lead us from the place of death to the place of abundant life, that guided by your care for us, we may rightly offer our lives in love for you and our neighbors. Amen.

Scripture Lessons

First Lesson: I Samuel 1:24-28 p. 234

Second Lesson: Proverbs 31:25-31 p. 573

Sermon

Mother's Day

**Hunter Hall, Caleb Howard, Chase Trimble,
Hayden Kilmer, and Bennett Gatlin**

Hymn No. 288 “Happy the Home When God Is There”

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. 166 “Jesus Loves the Little Children”

*Benediction

*Congregational Response “Pass It On” p. 465

*It only takes a spark to get a fire going,
And soon all those around can warm up in its glowing;
That's how it is with God's love, once you've experienced it:
You spread His love to everyone, you want to pass it on.*

*Postlude

The Fourth Sunday of Easter we traditionally celebrate as Good Shepherd Sunday. This is because in the Gospel of the day (from St. John's Gospel), Jesus speaks of himself as the Shepherd who is prepared to lay down his life for his sheep. Throughout this Gospel, Jesus calls His followers to trust in Him and live according to His teachings. His role as the shepherd mirrors His call to love and serve others, just as He loves and serves us.

Happy Mother's Day

Be sure to pick up a cookie for all mothers and have your picture taken in the specially decorated spot in the sanctuary before or after the worship service.

Activities Calendar: May 11, 2025 ~ May 18, 2025

Sunday, May 11th, Fourth Sunday of Easter

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship

Monday, May 12th

6:00 p.m. – Consistory

Tuesday, May 13th

9:00 a.m. – Prayer Cell

Wednesday, May 14th

5:30 p.m. – Bell Choir

7:30 p.m. – Sr. Choir practice

Thursday, May 15th

9:30 a.m. – California Care Services

Sunday, May 18th Senior Recognition Sunday

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship

Looking ahead ~

May 18th – Senior Sunday

May 21st - Women's Guild

May 25th - Memorial Service at Evangelical Cemetery

The Historical Committee is looking for pictures of the church's active military members to display in the historical cabinet for Memorial Day and throughout June. If you have a picture of a family member or friend who is currently serving in the military that you would like to share for display, please drop those pictures off at the office by

May 23rd.

Please pray for these . . .

Love & Justice in God's World

All Those Who Need Our Prayers, including:

Becky Zuidervaat Bill Schacht Jenine Baker
Alan Chambers Courtney Cassil 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, CA*)
Damion Street (*grandson of Jenine Baker, Army, Munich, Germany*)
Blake Street (*grandson of Jenine Baker, Basic Training, Ft. Still, OK*)
Hayden Grant (*grandson of Kathy Grant, Air Force, Okinawa, Japan*)
Derek Meyer (*grandson of Elaine & Eldred Proctor, Army, Monterey, CA*)
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UCC High School Upcoming Events

MAY 13	Concessions for CHS Baseball Sign up for a shift: 4:45-6:30 OR 6:30-8:15
MAY 29 & 30	Church Garage Sale Drop-Off Days Congregation drops off donations & HS prices the items
MAY 31	Church Garage Sale & Bake Sale Time: 7am-1pm (HS students manage and sell items w/ parent supervision)

QUESTIONS? DYAN INGRAM TEXT @ 714-417-3926 @CALIMOYOUTHGROUP

Sunday ROK (Reaching Our Kids)

TODAY

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.

Sound Booth

The Consistory would like to thank the current volunteers (Ronnie Kissick, Andy Burger, Kaiden and Kole Ingram, and Carla Clennin for their service to our Audio and Visual needs. The service they offer ensure those present at church can hear clearly and those online have access to the service and sound. In order to best serve our church family, we would like to ask for 1-2 more volunteers to allow a rotation and have people available for special services. Please reach out to any Consistory Member to get the details on how you can help out!

Library

There are several items from the Library that are being purged. Old cds, cassette tapes, and other materials. If you are interested in reviewing them or would like to take some, feel free to do so. Anything left after June 30th, will no longer be available.

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Camp Aurora

Summer 2025 Dates

Senior High Camp July 6 - 12

Junior High Camp July 13-18

Junior Camp July 20-25

Primary Camp July 27-30

Sunday School will pay ½ of Early Registration Fee for Member and One Friend. Contact Cinda Scheidt for more information.

Food Pantry Items Needed

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

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.

How Great Thou Art



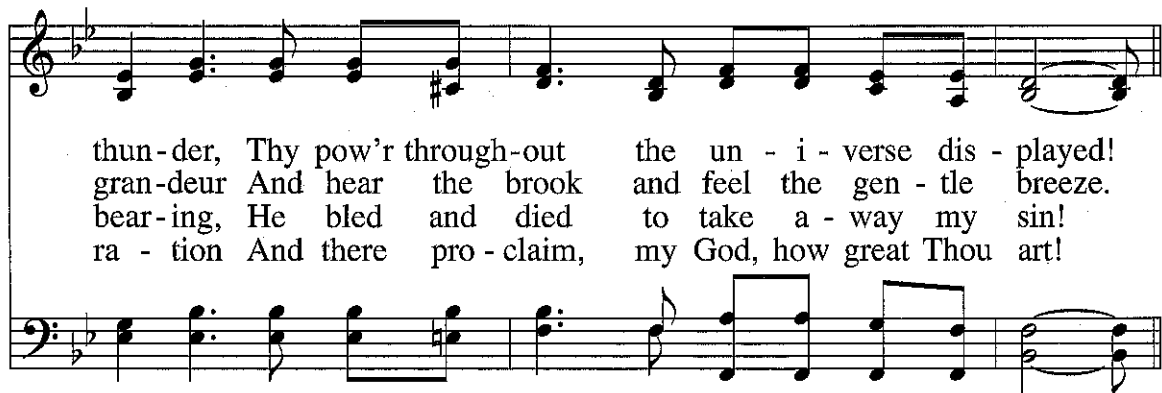
1. O Lord my God, when I in awe - some
 2. When through the woods and for - est glades I
 3. And when I think that God, His Son not
 4. When Christ shall come with shout of ac - cla -



won - der Con - sid - er all the worlds Thy hands have
 wan - der And hear the birds sing sweet - ly in the
 spar - ing, Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it
 ma - tion And take me home, what joy shall fill my



made, I see the stars, I hear the roll - ing
 trees, When I look down from loft - y moun - tain
 in That on the cross, my bur - den glad - ly
 heart! Then I shall bow in hum - ble ad - o -



thun - der, Thy pow'r through-out the un - i - verse dis - played!
 gran-deur And hear the brook and feel the gen - tle breeze.
 bear - ing, He bled and died to take a - way my sin!
 ra - tion And there pro - claim, my God, how great Thou art!

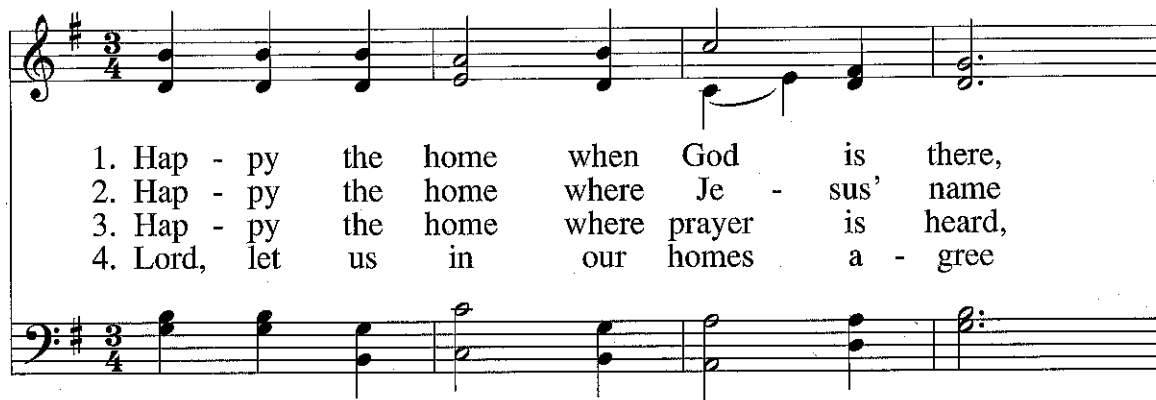
Then sings my soul, my Sav-ior God, to Thee; How great Thou

art, how great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my Sav-ior God, to

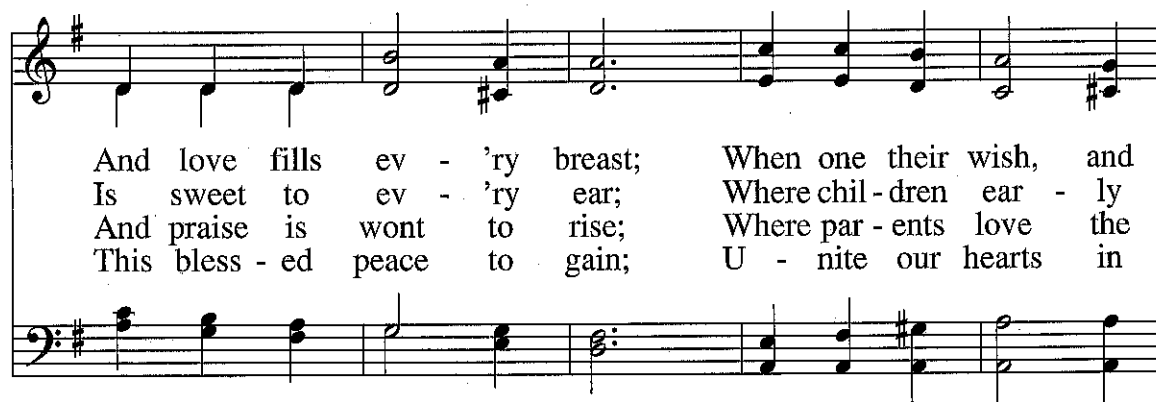
Thee; How great Thou art, How great Thou art!

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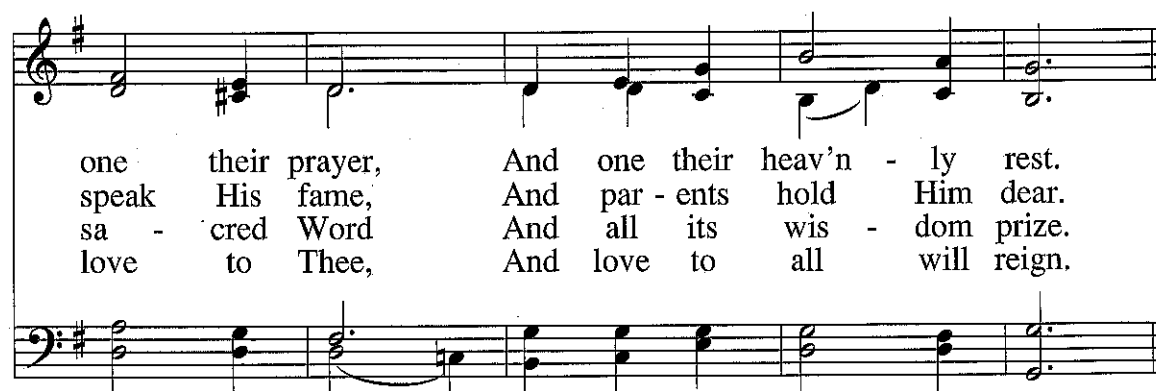
Happy the Home When God Is There



1. Hap - py the home when God is there,
 2. Hap - py the home where Je - sus' name
 3. Hap - py the home where prayer is heard,
 4. Lord, let us in our homes a - gree



And love fills ev - 'ry breast; When one their wish, and
 Is sweet to ev - 'ry ear; Where chil - dren ear - ly
 And praise is wont to rise; Where par - ents love the
 This bless - ed peace to gain; U - nite our hearts in



one their prayer, And one their heav'n - ly rest.
 speak His fame, And par - ents hold Him dear.
 sa - cred Word And all its wis - dom prize.
 love to Thee, And love to all will reign.

Jesus Loves the Little Children

Unison

1. Je - sus calls the chil - dren dear, "Come to me, and nev - er fear,
2. Je - sus is the Shep-herd true, And He'll al - ways stand by you,
3. I am com - ing, Lord, to Thee, And Thy sol - dier I will be,

For I love the lit - tle chil - dren of the world; I will
For He loves the lit - tle chil - dren of the world; He's a
For He loves the lit - tle chil - dren of the world; And His

take you by the hand, Lead you to the bet - ter land,
Sav - ior great and strong, And He'll shield you from the wrong,
cross I'll al - ways bear, And for Him I'll do and dare,

For I love the lit - tle chil - dren of the world."
For He loves the lit - tle chil - dren of the world.
For He loves the lit - tle chil - dren of the world.

Refrain

Je - sus loves the lit - tle chil - dren,

all the chil - dren of the world, All the

chil - dren of the earth, they are pre - cious from their birth, Je - sus

loves the lit - tle chil - dren of the world. world. Je - sus

loves the lit - tle chil - dren of the world.

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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