



**United Church of Christ of California ~ California, Missouri**  
**Rev. Russell Cobb** **Pastor**  
**Mr. Jess Medlin** **Organist**  
**Mrs. Stacy Friedrich** **Pianist**

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**August 17, 2025 ~ Tenth Sunday after Pentecost**

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

The Bell

The Prelude

Lighting of the Candles

Grayden & Rynley Gatlin

**\*Call to Worship**

God has invited us to live faithfully in this life.

**God has invited us to be transformed.**

God has invited us to be loving participants in this world.

**God has invited us to live joyfully in peace.**

In life, in death, in life to come, we are God's.

**Praise God!**

**\*Hymn No. 362 "I Know Whom I Have Believed"**

**\*Prayer of the Day**

**Eternal God, draw near to us that we may draw near to you, and grant us the grace to love and to serve you that we may find in your will our true freedom; through Jesus Christ, the way, the truth and the life. 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*)**

*(printed on laminated card in hymnal)*

Invitation to Children's Time

Hymn for Children *"Deep and Wide"*

*Deep and wide, Deep and Wide  
There's a fountain flowing deep and wide;  
Deep and wide, Deep and wide  
There's a fountain flowing deep and wide.*

Children's Time

Kendra Hall

**Presentation of Bibles to 4<sup>th</sup> Graders**

**Ruby Brockes, Sutton Lawson, Bruce Miller,  
Kamryn Robertson and Kara Zuidervaat**

Special Music

Jess Medlin

Prayer for Illumination

Carla Clennin

**Gracious Spirit, you have promised that where two or more are gathered in your name, there you will be also. Open our hearts and our minds to your Presence here in worship, in music and in the reading of your Holy Word and in our heartfelt prayers. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

Scripture Lessons

*First Lesson:* Psalm 85:6-13 p. 512

*Second Lesson:* Matthew 25:14-23 p. 860

**Sermon Bearing the Fruit of God's Spirit: Faithfulness  
Galatians 5:22-25**

Hymn No. 47 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

*Christians, what do you believe?*

**(Apostles' Creed) I believe in God the Father, Almighty...**

*(printed on laminated card in hymnal)*

## Prayer of Intercession

### The Lord's Prayer (*debts and debtors*)

*(printed on laminated card in hymnal)*

## Invitation to the Offering

### \*Response "*Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow*"

*(printed on laminated card in hymnal)*

## \*Prayer of Dedication

### \*Hymn No. 343 "I Am Thine, O Lord"

## \*Benediction

### \*Congregational Response –

*"Here I Am, Lord"*

*Here I am, Lord, Is it I, Lord?*

*I have heard You calling in the night,*

*I will go, Lord, if You lead me,*

*I will hold Your people in my heart.*

## \*Postlude

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.

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**Evangelism Committee Meeting immediately  
following Church TODAY downstairs in Meeting  
Room**

**Activities: August 17, 2025 – August 24, 2025**

**Sunday, August 17, 2025:**

9:30 a.m. .... Sunday School

10:30 a.m. .... Worship

**Tuesday, August 19, 2025**

9:00 a.m. .... Prayer Cell

**Wednesday, August 20, 2025-First Day of School**

9:00 a.m. ... Women's Guild Work Day

7:30 p.m. .... Sr. Choir Practice

**Saturday, August 23, 2025**

4:00 p.m. .... Salem Ice Cream Social

**Sunday, August 24, 2025**

9:30 a.m. ... Sunday School

10:30 a.m. ... Worship

**TIDINGS News for  
SEPTEMBER Due before or  
by Friday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>.  
THANKS!**

*Looking ahead ~*

*Aug. 25<sup>th</sup> - Brotherhood Fish Fry*

**Food Pantry Items Needed**

Each month the Food Pantry is requesting a different food item. For the **month of August, Dry Beans** is the food item requested. There is a box in the downstairs foyer at the California UCC to place your food items.

*Read the Bible on your phone. YouVersion Bible app.  
You can download this app for free at the app store.*



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*Please pray for these . . .*

Love & Justice in God's World

**Family and Friends of:** Richard Roedel, Herschel Connell and Katherine Meisenheimer

**All Those Who Need Our Prayers, including:**

Michael and Tammy Rex, 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, Italy*)  
Damion Street (*grandson of Jenine Baker, Army, Munich, Germany*)  
Blake Street (*grandson of Jenine Baker, Basic Training, Ft. Still, OK*)

## Sound Booth

The Consistory is still searching for Sound Booth help. Please reach out to any Consistory Member to get the details on how you can help out! It is easier than you think!

## **Senior Choir**

**Attention all singers! Practices for the Senior Choir will start on Wednesday, August 20th at 7:30pm in the sanctuary. If you are interested in being a part of a wonderful group of dedicated singers, please feel free to join us! If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 573-291-1189. Hope to see you there!**

**Stacy Friedrich, California UCC Choir Director**



## **Bell Choir**

**Bell practice will start Wednesday, August 27th at 6:30pm. New Bell members are always welcome!**

**Becky Schneider, Bell Choir Director**

### *Seeking a Nursery Attendant-*

*The Consistory is taking applications for a Nursery Attendant. Hours are from 9:15 am to 11:30/Noon @ \$40 every Sunday. Applications and job description can be picked up in the church office.*

### **NEED HELP WITH EXTRA CHORES?**

High school youth are available to help anyone in the congregation to raise money for their future mission trip. They can mow lawns, pull weeds, plant flowers, anything to help. Just let Kris or Dyan Ingram know when, where, and what needs to be done and they will contact the high school youth and their families. Donations are appreciated.



# **Salem United Church of Christ**

## **Annual Ice Cream Social**

**Saturday, August 23**

**Serving from 4:00-6:30 p.m.**

**Located on the Salem church grounds  
on HWY K, east of California**

**Dining inside and outside, pick your pleasure.**

**Ice Cream- Drinks- Chips- Cake- Sandwiches**

**Cake Walk ~ Everyone welcome!**

**Come and enjoy an evening of fun, food and fellowship.**

## **Moniteau 4-H**

### **Honoring Our Local Heroes**

**Sunday, September 7**

**Latham Memorial Park**

**1:00 p.m.**

**Please join us as we honor those who have given so much!**

**Veterans, Military, Emergency Service Personnel,**

**Healthcare Workers, Law Enforcement**



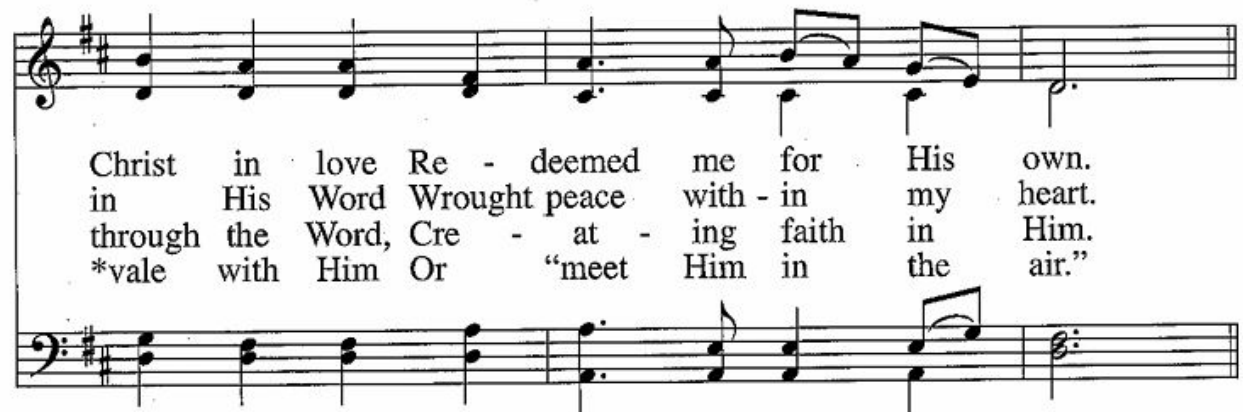
# I Know Whom I Have Believed



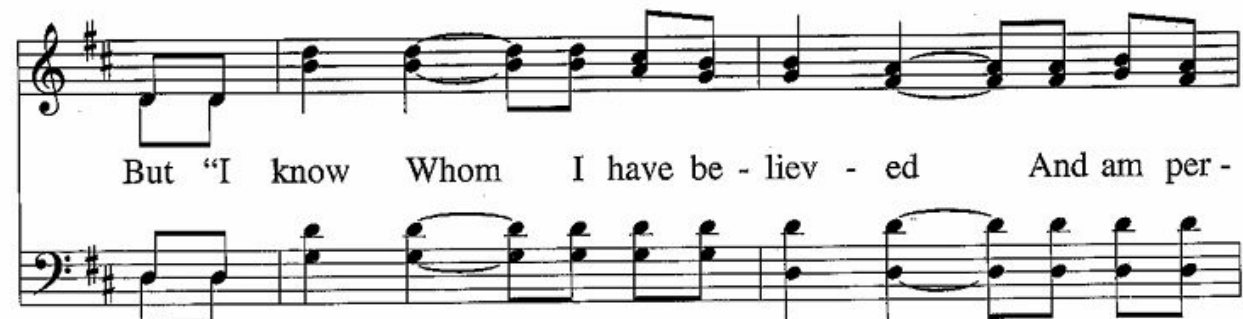
1. I know not why God's won - drous grace To  
 2. I know not how this sav - ing faith To  
 3. I know not how the Spir - it moves, Con -  
 4. I know not when my Lord may come, At



me He hath made known; Nor why, un - wor - thy,  
 me He did im - part; Nor how be - liev - ing  
 vinc - ing men of sin; Re - veal - ing Je - sus  
 night or noon - day fair; Nor if I'll walk the



Christ in love Re - deemed me for His own.  
 in His Word Wrought peace with - in my heart.  
 through the Word, Cre - at - ing faith in Him.  
 \*vale with Him Or "meet Him in the air."



But "I know Whom I have be - liev - ed And am per -

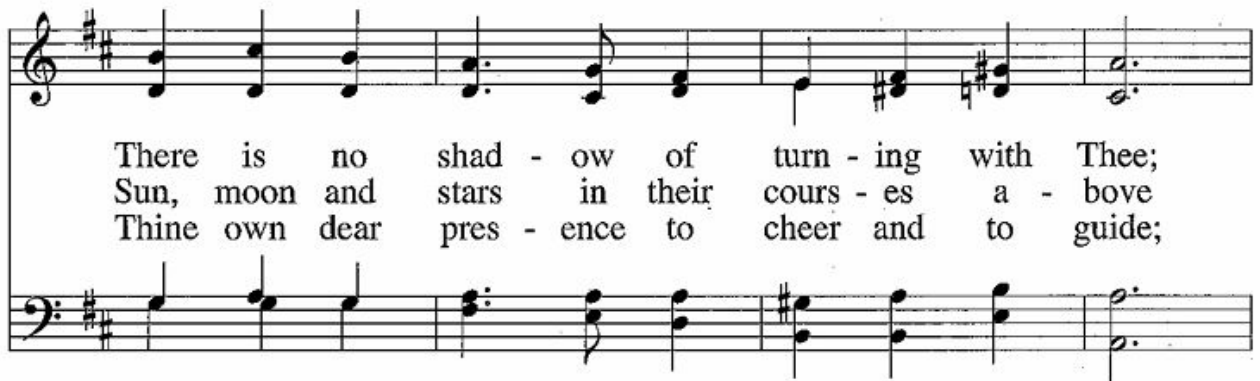
suad - ed that He is a - ble To keep that which I've com-

mit - ted Un - to Him a - gainst that day."

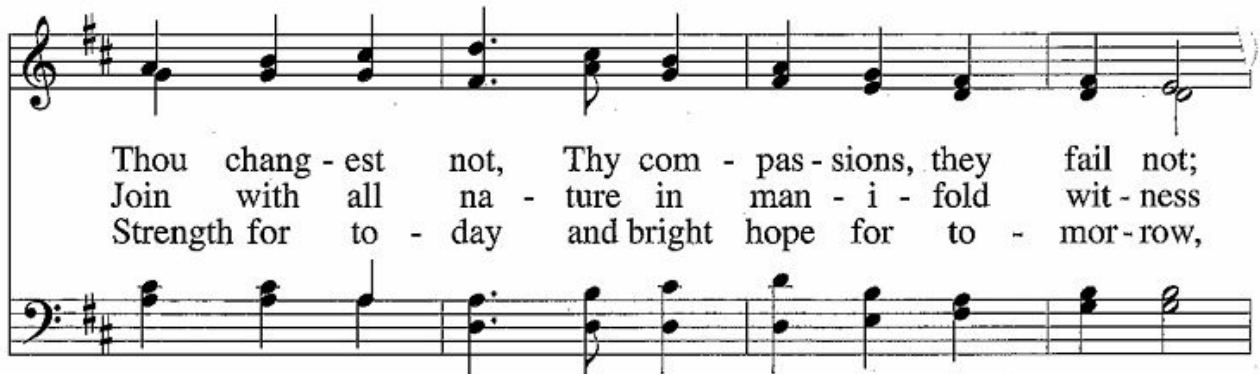
# Great Is Thy Faithfulness



1. Great is Thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther,  
2. Sum - mer and win - ter, and spring - time and har - vest,  
3. Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,



There is no shad - ow of turn - ing with Thee;  
Sun, moon and stars in their cours - es a - bove  
Thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide;



Thou chang - est not, Thy com - pas - sions, they fail not;  
Join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness  
Strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row,



As Thou has been Thou for - ev - er wilt be.  
To Thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy and love.  
Bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

Great is Thy faith - ful-ness! Great is Thy faith - ful-ness!

Morn - ing by morn - ing new mer - cies I see;

All I have need - ed Thy hand hath pro - vid - ed—

Great is Thy faith - ful-ness, Lord, un - to me! A - men.

# I Am Thine, O Lord



1. I am Thine, O Lord, I have heard Thy voice, And it  
 2. Con - se - crate me now to Thy serv - ice, Lord, By the  
 3. O, the pure de - light of a sin - gle hour That be -  
 4. There are depths of love that I can - not know Till I



told Thy love to me; But I long to rise in the  
 pow'r of grace di - vine; Let my soul look up with a  
 fore Thy throne I spend, When I kneel in prayer, and with  
 cross the nar - row sea; There are heights of joy that I



arms of faith, And be clos - er drawn to Thee.  
 stead - fast hope, And my will be lost in Thine.  
 Thee, my God, I com - mune as friend with friend!  
 may not reach Till I rest in peace with Thee.

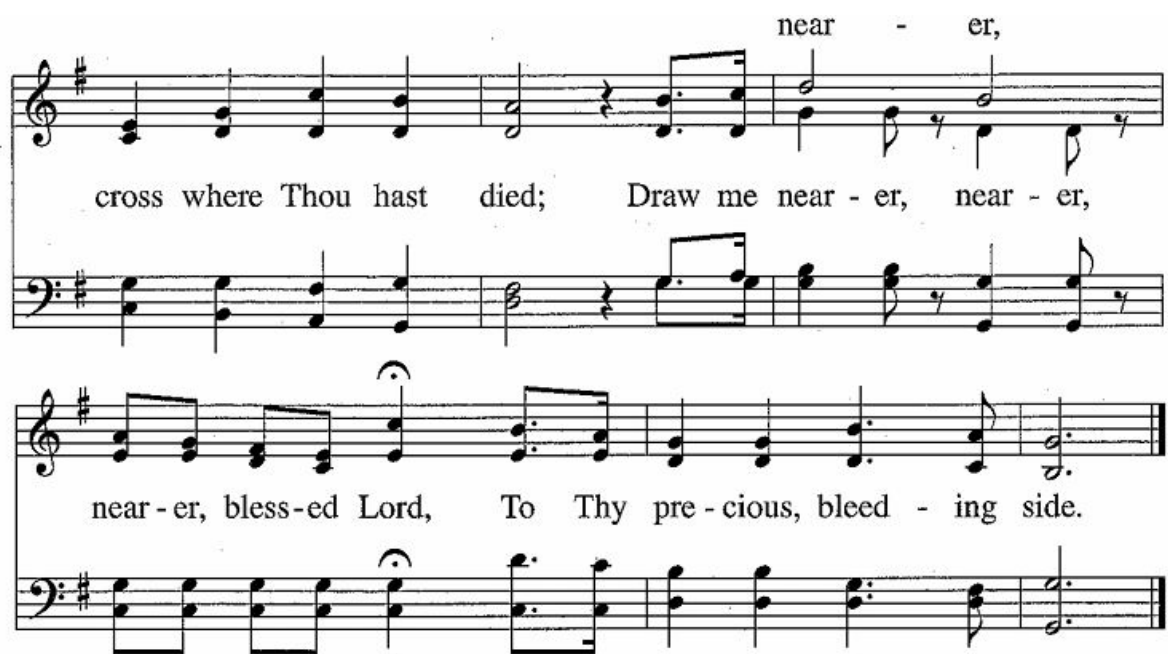


near - er,  
 Draw me near - er, near - er, near - er, bless - ed Lord, To the

near - er,

cross where Thou hast died; Draw me near - er, near - er,

near - er, bless-ed Lord, To Thy pre - cious, bleed - ing side.



## 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.***

*Minister: Christ, have mercy upon us.*

*Congregation: **Christ, have mercy upon us.***

*Minister: Lord, have mercy upon us.*

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