

United Church of Christ of California ~ California, Missouri
Rev. Mike Williams
Mrs. Beth Dampf
Mrs. Stacy Friedrich
Boone Hospital Chaplain
Organist
Sr. Choir Director

September 7, 2025 ~ Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

**All those who are able, please stand*

The Bell

The Prelude

Lighting of the Candles Lee Bieri & Charley Medlin

Choral Opening

Welcome and Announcements

***Call to Worship (Psalm 78):**

Leader: Give ear, O my people, to my teaching; incline your ears to the words of my mouth.

People: I will open my mouth in a parable; I will utter dark sayings from of old,

Leader: things that we have heard and known, that our ancestors have told us.

People: We will not hide them from their children; we will tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the Lord and his might and the wonders that he has done.

Leader: He established a decree in Jacob and appointed a law in Israel, which he commanded our ancestors to teach to their children,

People: that the next generation might know them, the children yet unborn, and rise up and tell them to their children,

Leader: so that they should set their hope in God, and not forget the works of God, but keep his commandments;

People: and that they should not be like their ancestors, a stubborn and rebellious generation, a generation whose heart was not steadfast, whose spirit was not faithful to God.

*Hymn No. 243 “Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty”

*Prayer of the Day

Holy Spirit, who in the beginning hovered over the waters, who at Jesus' baptism descended in the form of a dove, who at Pentecost was poured out under the signs of fire and wind, come to us, open our hearts and minds, so that we may hear the life-giving word and be renewed by your power in the unity of the Father and the Son, now and forever. 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*)

Invitation to Children's Time

Hymn for Children “Jesus Loves Me”

Children's Time

Mike Williams

Anthem *“Back to the Church in the Wildwood”*

Sr. Choir

Prayer for Illumination

Brad Friedrich

Eternal God, in the reading of the scripture, may your word be heard; in the meditations of our hearts, may your word be known; and in the faithfulness of our lives, may your word be shown. Amen.

Scripture Lessons

Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 43:1-7 *p. 623*

New Testament Lesson: Mark 1:4-11 *p. 867*

Sermon **You are my Son, the Beloved**

Hymn No. 349 “Take My Life and Let It Be”

Sacrament of Baptism

Callan Veston and Bobbi Jean Troutman

Son and Daughter of Cory and Sarah (Bryant) Troutman

Baptismal Prayer (Unison):

Gracious God, we give you thanks for Bobbi and Callan and for the grace acknowledged here today in water and the Holy Spirit. Embrace us all as your blessed children in the one household of your love. Grant us grace to receive, nurture, and befriend Sarah, Cory, and the entire Troutman family throughout every stage of life. Grant everyone who calls us on you strength for life's journey, courage in time of suffering, the joy of faith, the freedom of love, and the hope of new life; through Jesus Christ who makes us one. Amen.

Kyrie “Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us”

Declaration of Forgiveness

You are God's Beloved. You delight God's heart. Believe this good news, my friends!

The Spirit of God rests upon us, anointing us with mercy and peace. Thanks be to God! Amen.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

The Sacrament of Holy Communion is open to all who seek to receive the Gift of God in Jesus Christ. This table is spread for you and for all.

The inner circle contains white wine. The outer circles contain red grape juice.

Communion Prayer

The Lord be with you.

And with you also.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

As we pray together -

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

Breaking Bread and Pouring Wine

Sharing the Elements

*(Please hold the elements until all have been served,
so that we may all commune together.)*

*Prayer of Thanksgiving (unison)

Bountiful God, we give you thanks for both the promise of baptism and the refreshment of our faith at your table. In these sacraments experience the presence of Christ and the strengthening of our faith. Now we ask you to send us forth into the world in courage, peace, and love for one another, rejoicing always in the power of your Holy Spirit. Amen.

*Hymn No. 166 “Jesus Loves the Little Children”

*Benediction

*Congregational Response – “Blest Be the Tie That Binds” p. 497
(*Verses 1 and 4*)

*Blest be the tie that binds
Our hearts in Christian love;
The fellowship of kindred minds
Is like to that above.
When we are called to part
It give us inward pain,
But we shall still be joined in heart,
And hope to meet again.*

*Postlude

A **Nursery** is available in the upstairs hallway, just outside the sanctuary. The nursery attendant is **Emma Bestgen**. 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.

We rejoice with Cory and Sarah Troutman on the baptisms of their children, Callan and Bobbi Troutman. Their sponsors are Bobby Bryant and Hannah Lehman.

New Nursery Attendant

Emma Bestgen is the new Nursery Attendant starting today. Emma is the daughter of Anny Roll and Nathan Bestgen. Emma attends Tipton High School and is in the 10th grade. She is currently playing volleyball. She loves working with kids! Welcome Emma!!

Moniteau 4-H Honoring Our Local Heroes

TODAY

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**

UCC High School

Upcoming Events

Mark your calendars!

2025

SEPT 27

Redemption Concert

@ Cole County Fairgrounds

The graphic features a dark background with a globe icon and a blue hand icon. The text is arranged in a hierarchy, with the school name at the top, followed by the event title in large, bold letters. A green banner with a starburst icon encourages marking calendars, and a yellow banner displays the year. At the bottom, a red banner highlights the specific date and event name, with the location noted below.

Activities Calendar: September 7, 2025 ~ September 14, 2025

Sunday, September 7, 2025, Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 a.m. - Sunday School

10:30 a.m. - Worship-*Communion*

Tuesday, September 9th

9:00 a.m. - Prayer Cell

Wednesday, September 10

6:00 p.m.....Wednesday Night Meal

6:30 p.m... R.O.K./God's Singers/Bell Choir/Confirmation

7:30 p.m. - Sr. Choir practice

Saturday, September 13th

9:30 a.m. - Veggie Tales

Sunday, September 14th, Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 a.m. - Sunday School

10:30 a.m. - Worship - *Sunday ROK (Reaching Our Kids)*
- Evangelism Committee Meeting following worship

Looking ahead ~

Sept. 17th - Women's Guild – 1pm

Sept. 19th – Chalk the Walk 6:30 pm

Sept. 20th – Ham and Turkey Festival

Sept. 22nd - Brotherhood

Wednesday Evening Meal, Sept. 10 - 6:00 p.m.

Lasagna, Veggie Medley, Salad and Garlic Knots

Wednesday Evening Meal Reservations

There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board by the kitchen for donating desserts & helping in the kitchen with clean up, drying dishes & wiping tables down.

Your help will be much appreciated!

Sign Up for Wednesday Evening Meals

Sign up on the clip board at the office window or at the back of the sanctuary.

Or by 4:00 Monday: Call the church office (796-4885)

Email Rhonda: rhonda@calmo-ucc.org

Food Pantry Items Needed

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

Middle School Youth Event – Sunday, September 14th

The MS Youth Group will be having an activity on Sunday, September 14th. Please drop your MS youth off at the California City Pool at 3pm. Cost to swim is \$3. The youth will eat at the church at around 4:45 and will be ready to be picked up at the church at 5:30. Reach out to Connie Bestgen or Tammy Kilmer with questions.



Chalk the Walk

Friday, September 19

6:30 PM – 8:00 PM

All are welcome to join this outdoor event to create colorful, chalk creations on the sidewalk in front of our Church property. Share messages or pictures of inspiration and beauty with visitors who'll attend the Ham & Turkey Festival.

You're welcome to bring your personal chalk. Some chalk will be provided.

Ham & Turkey Festival Parade

Saturday, September 20

Join the fun to ride or walk in the parade - greeting and tossing candy to the community! Please watch updates on Facebook or via text for time and location to meet.

Please pray for these . . .

Love & Justice in God's World

Family and Friends of: Aspyn Heckman, Michael Dzaidosz, Max Birdsong, Harold Kiesling, and Russell Gerlach

Confirmands: Lena Bieri, Megan Carlock, Royce Everett, Logan Milligan and Meredith Wolford

All Those Who Need Our Prayers, including:

Charles Velazquez (Dolores Burger's brother-in-law), Diane (Henry) Jobe, 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*)

Second Phase of Floor Cleaning

The upstairs bathrooms, choir room, and downstairs by the kitchen and bottom of both stairways are scheduled to be clean on **Thursday, September 18 and Friday, September 19th**. They should all be ready to walk on by Sunday morning, September 21st. We appreciate your patience as we continue to make some improvements.

The Consistory.

VeggieTales

Saturday, September 13th

9:30 to 11:00 a.m.

United Church of Christ

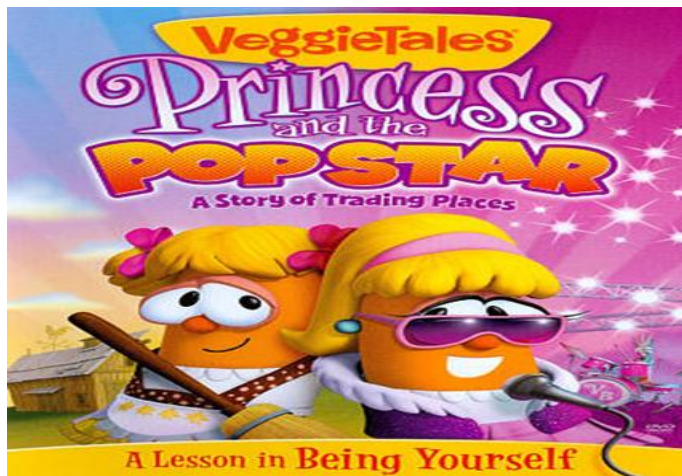
Come Join Us in the Fellowship Hall for
VeggieTales Movie Presentation
Princess & the PopStar

Please Pre-Register below so that we are sure to have enough snacks,
and goodie bags for each child in attendance.

You may return the form to UCC Church office, or contact Ronda
Mortenson by email rkmort60@gmail.com or call 573-694-3933

Childs Name Attending: _____

Emergency Contact Name & Number: _____



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Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty

1. Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!
 2. Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! all the saints a - dore Thee,
 3. Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! though the dark-ness hide Thee,
 4. Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to Thee;
 Cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
 Though the eye of sin - ful man Thy glo - ry may not see;
 All Thy works shall praise Thy Name in earth, and sky, and sea;

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! mer - ci - ful and might - y;
 Cher-u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore Thee,
 On - ly Thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side Thee,
 Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! mer - ci - ful and might - y;

God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!
 Which wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.
 Per - fect in pow'r, in love, and pu - ri - ty.
 God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty! A - men.

Take My Life and Let It Be

1. Take my life, and let it be Con - se - crat - ed,
 2. Take my hands, and let them move At the im - pulse
 3. Take my will, and make it Thine; It shall be no
 4. Take my love: my Lord I pour At Thy feet its

Lord, to Thee; Take my mo - ments and my days,
 of Thy love; Take my feet, and let them be
 long - er mine; Take my heart, it is Thine own;
 treas - ure store; Take my - self, and I will be

Let them flow in cease - less praise.
 Swift and beau - ti - ful for Thee.
 It shall be Thy roy - al throne.
 Ev - er, on - ly, all for Thee. A - men.

VIENNA
7.7.7.7

Jesus Loves the Little Children

Chorus

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.***

Minister: Christ, have mercy upon us.

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

Minister: Lord, have mercy upon us.

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