

United Church of Christ of California ~ California, Missouri
Rev. Russell Cobb Pastor
Mrs. Beth Dampf Organist
Mrs. Stacy Friedrich Sr. Choir Director

October 5, 2025 – Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
World Communion Sunday

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

The Bell

The Prelude

Lighting of the Candles Sophie and Bruce Miller

Choral Opening

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

*The Call to Worship

Sisters and brothers in Christ,
This is the day that the Lord has made.

We will rejoice and be glad in it!

This is the day of resurrection and new life.

We will rejoice and be glad in it!

This is the day when Christ feeds us and all
at his banquet table.

We will rejoice and be glad in it!

Let us worship with joy and gladness.

Amen.

*Hymn No. 377 “Leaning on the Everlasting Arms”

***Prayer of the Day**

Merciful God, we know that you love us and that you call us to fullness of life, but around us and within us we see the brokenness of the world and of our ways. Our successes leave us empty; our progress does not satisfy. Our prosperous land is not the promised land of our longing. Forgive our willful neglect of your word, our insensitivity to the needs of others, and our failure to feed the spirit that is within us; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. Amen.

***Call to Praise**

O Lord, open our lips!

And our mouths shall show forth your praise!

***Act of Praise “Gloria Patri” (*Glory be to the Father*)**
(printed on laminated card in hymnal)

Invitation to Children’s Time

Hymn for Children “Jesus Loves Me”

Children’s Time

Anny Roll

Anthem

“Remember”

Sr. Choir

Prayer of Illumination

Carla Clennin

Holy God, speak your word; let those who hear guard the good treasure entrusted to them with the help of the Holy Spirit, living in us all. Amen.

Scripture Lessons

First Lesson: Psalm 30 p. 479

Second Lesson: II Corinthians 11:23-28 p. 1010

Sermon **The Ultimate Home Security System**
Psalm 23:4-5

Hymn No. 390 “It is Well with My Soul”

Kyrie “Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us”

(printed on laminated card in hymnal)

Declaration of Forgiveness

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel:

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Thanks be to God! Amen.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Any Christian who wishes to know the presence of Christ and share in the community of God’s people is invited to receive the Sacrament.

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

God, as we have received these gifts of bread and wine, you have fed us with the spiritual food of the body and blood of our Savior Jesus. Renew us by your Holy Spirit, unite us in the body of your Son, and bring us with all your people into the joy of your eternal kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Bryce Opie

Welcome, Scripture, and Reaffirming of Faith

Welcome by the Congregation

Carole Barbour
Consistory President

Let us, the members of the United Church of Christ of California, express our welcome and affirm our mutual ministry in Christ.

We welcome you with joy in the common life of this church. We promise you our friendship and prayers as we share the hopes and labors of the Church of Jesus Christ. By the power of the Holy Spirit may we continue to grow together in God's knowledge and love and be witnesses of our Risen Lord.

In the name of Jesus Christ and on behalf of the United Church of Christ of California, we extend our Christian love, welcoming you into the company of this congregation.

The Prayer

*Hymn No. 434 "Precious Lord Take My Hand"

*Benediction

*Extinguishing of the Candles

*Congregational Response –

“Blest Be the Tie That Binds” (p. 497) verse 1 & 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



FFA BBQ

Today, Sunday, October 5 from 11-1:30pm

California High School

Tickets are \$15 each; Drive Thru Only

Beef Brisket, Pulled Pork, Cheesy Potatoes,
Corn and Green Beans

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, October 9th and Friday, October 10th**. They should all be ready to walk on by Sunday morning, October 12th. We appreciate your patience as we continue to make some improvements.

The Consistory.

Wednesday Evening Meal, October 8th, 6:00 p.m.

*Chicken Fettuccine, BBQ Meatballs, Vegetable,
Salad and Garlic Sticks*

Please 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

Activities Calendar: October 5, 2025 ~ October 12, 2025

Sunday, October 5, 2025, Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship- World Communion

5:30 p.m. – Sunday School Teacher and Officer Meeting

Tuesday, October 7, 2025

9:00 a.m.- Prayer Cell

Wednesday, October 8, 2025

6:00 p.m. – Wed. Night Meal/Confirmation

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

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

Friday, October 10, 2025

Sr. High Concert at Capitol Region Amphitheater

Sunday, October 12, 2025, Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship- Sunday R.O.K.

-Farewell dinner for Pastor Cobb following worship

3:30 p.m. – Sunday School Fall Party

Looking ahead.....

October 13 – Consistory 6 pm

October 15 – Women's Guild 1pm

October 22 - Youth Wednesday Night Meal-Taco Bar

October 23 – Sr. High Youth Concert at Columbia

October 26 – Middle School Fall Party at Bestgens 3pm

Sr. High Youth at Ingrams 6pm

October 27 – Brotherhood 7 pm

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.

Today, Sunday, October 5 following the church service, there will be a pizza party and Christmas Play meeting. At this meeting the cast will be chosen. All participants who would like to be a part of the Christmas Eve Service are invited to attend. We will be performing the Christmas Letter's Musical on Christmas Eve. The choir will include members of all ages. Please support this beautiful program with attending our Planning Meeting. For more information contact Cressida Gattermeir.

*No R.O.K. December 3, 10, and 17.
Just God's Singers and Christmas Eve practices*

Food Pantry Items Needed

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

Farewell Luncheon for Pastor Cobb Sunday, October 12, 2025

following worship

Please sign up if you plan to attend
or let the church office know by
Thursday, Oct. 9th.

Rev. Cobb: rev.cobb@calmo-ucc.org; 573-489-7891 (cell phone)

Church office 573-796-4885 / Website: www.calmo-ucc.org

rhonda@calmo-ucc.org

Please pray for these . . .

Love & Justice in God's World

Confirmants: 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*)
Blake Street (*grandson of Jenine Baker, Basic Training, Ft. Still, OK*)

ALL CHURCH FALL PARTY

(SPONSORED BY THE CALIFORNIA UCC SUNDAY SCHOOL)

WHERE: California UCC

WHEN: OCTOBER 12TH

3:30 P.M. – Gathering-Games

4:30 P.M. – Hayride

5:30 P.M. – Grilled Hamburgers and Hot Dogs

BRING YOURSELF, YOUR FAMILY, YOUR FRIENDS!



Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

1. What a fel - low - ship, what a joy di - vine,
2. O how sweet to walk in this pil - grim way,
3. What have I to dread, what have I to fear,

Lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms;

What a bless - ed - ness, what a peace is mine,
O how bright the path grows from day to day,
I have bless - ed peace with my Lord so near,

Lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.

Lean - ing, lean - ing,
Lean - ing on Je - sus, lean - ing on Je - sus,


safe and se - cure from all a - larms; lean - ing,
lean - ing on Je - sus,

The first system of the musical score consists of two staves. The top staff is in treble clef and the bottom staff is in bass clef. Both staves are in the key of B-flat major (two flats) and 4/4 time. The melody is written in the treble staff, and the bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the staves, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across measures.

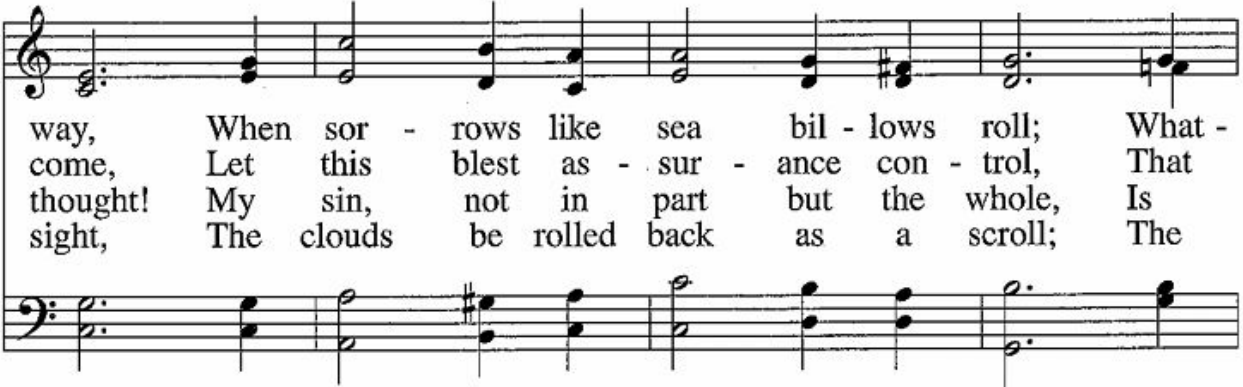
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lean - ing on Je - sus,

The second system of the musical score also consists of two staves in treble and bass clefs, continuing the key of B-flat major and 4/4 time. The melody continues in the treble staff, and the bass staff provides accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the staves, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across measures.

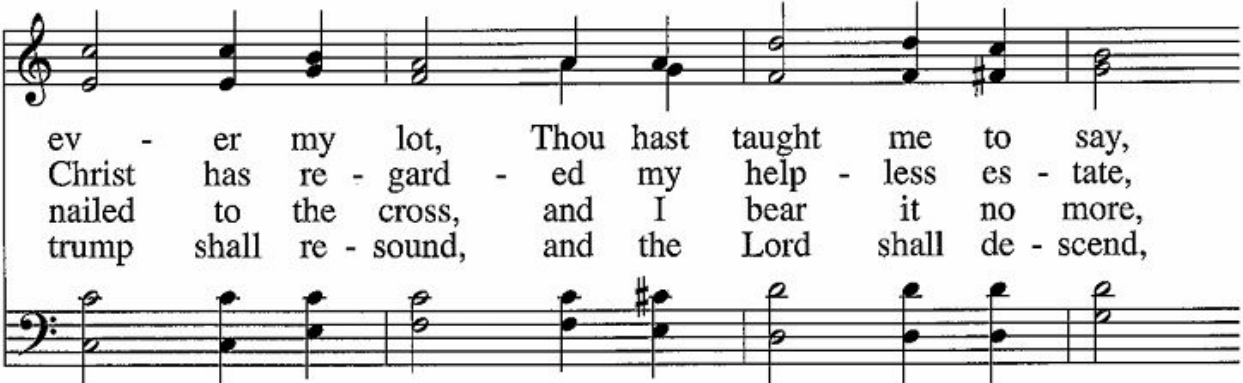
It Is Well with My Soul



1. When peace, like a riv - er, at - tend - eth my
 2. Though Sa - tan should buf - fet, though tri - als should
 3. My sin, oh, the bliss of this glo - ri - ous
 4. And, Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be



way, When sor - rows like sea bil - lows roll; What -
 come, Let this blest as - sur - ance con - trol, That
 thought! My sin, not in part but the whole, Is
 sight, The clouds be rolled back as a scroll; The



ev - er my lot, Thou hast taught me to say,
 Christ has re - gard - ed my help - less es - tate,
 nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more,
 trump shall re - sound, and the Lord shall de - scend,



It is well, it is well with my soul.
 And hath shed His own blood for my soul.
 Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!
 E - ven so, it is well with my soul.

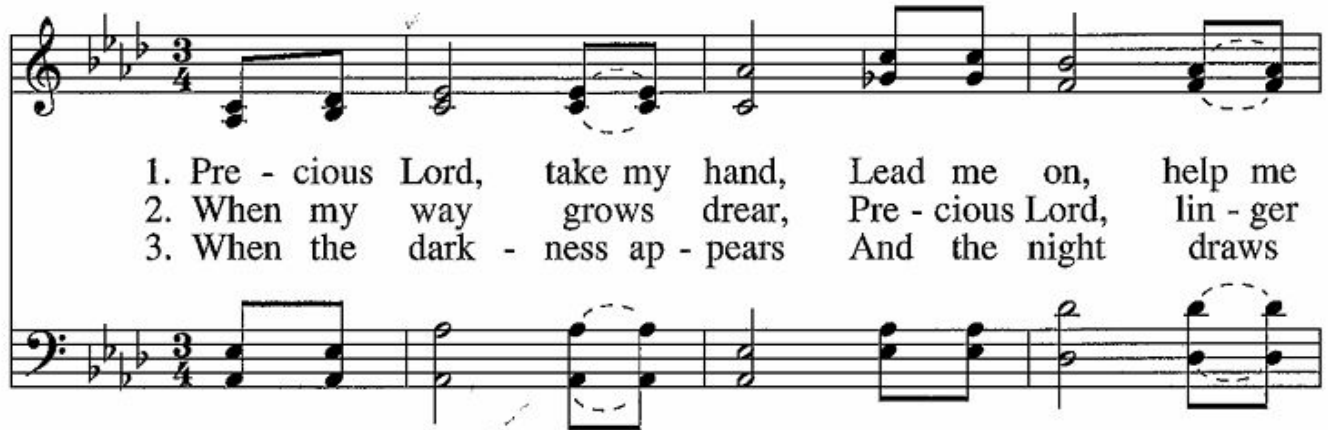
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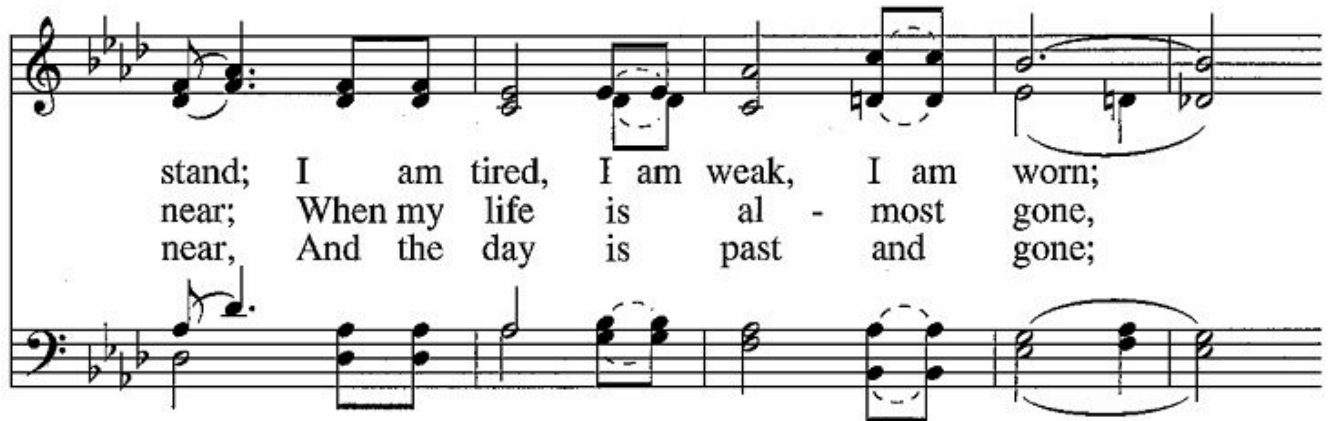
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It is well, it is well with my soul.

Precious Lord, Take My Hand



1. Pre - cious Lord, take my hand, Lead me on, help me
2. When my way grows drear, Pre - cious Lord, lin - ger
3. When the dark - ness ap - pears And the night draws



stand; I am tired, I am weak, I am worn;
near; When my life is al - most gone,
near, And the day is past and gone;



Through the storm, through the night, Lead me on to the
Hear my cry, hear my call, Hold my hand lest I
At the riv - er I stand, Guide my feet, hold my



light, Take my hand, pre-cious Lord, lead me home.
fall; Take my hand, pre-cious Lord, lead me home.
hand; Take my hand, pre-cious Lord, lead me home.

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.

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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