

United Church of Christ of California – California, MO
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Guest Speaker
Organist

January 25, 2026
The Third Sunday after Epiphany

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

The Bell

The Prelude

Lighting of the Candles

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship:

Leader: Children of God, who has God called you to be?

People: A light to all the nations!

Leader: When confusion, disunity, and misinformation threaten to undo us, who are you called to be?

People: A light to all the nations!

Leader: When wars and rumors of wars in our communities and around the world overwhelm us, who are you called to be?

People: A light to all the nations!

Leader: When the vulnerable are left without care or hope for flourishing, who are you called to be?

People: A light to all the nations!

Leader: Come! Let us worship God, who gives us as a light of good news to all the nations!

People: We come to worship God, who calls us and equips us to reflect God's glory and abundant life into all the world.

Amen.

*Hymn No. 400 “In My Heart There Rings a Melody”

*Prayer of the Day (Unison)

Almighty God, your Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world. May your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, shine with the radiance of his glory, that he may be known, worshiped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; for he lives and reigns with you in the unity of 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 -

“He’s Got the Whole World in His Hand” *(verse 1)*

Children’s Time

Favorite Hymn

Prayer for Illumination

Holy God as we come to the hearing of your Word, we invite you to encompass us with your spirit. Everything we desire can be found in you. You desire wholeness for us and in us so now we draw nigh to receive from your Scriptures and to share in you. Amen.

Scripture Lessons

Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 49:1-7 p.629

New Testament Lesson: John 1:1-5, 19-34 p. 922

Sermon "I have testified that this is the Chosen One."

Hymn No. 57 "Fairest Lord Jesus"

Christians, what do you believe?

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

Prayers

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

Invitation to the Offering

*Response "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn No. 451 "Lead On, O King Eternal"

*Benediction

*Congregational Response –

"Oh, How He Loves You and Me" p. 335

*Oh, how He loves you and me! Oh, how He loves you and me!
He gave His life, what more could He give?
Oh, how He love you, Oh, how He love me,
Oh, how He loves you and me!*

*Postlude



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Wednesday Evening Meal, January 28th ~ 6 p.m.

Pulled Pork, BBQ Beans, Mac and Cheese and Rolls

Don't forget to sign up!

**ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING
NEXT SUNDAY, February 1st.**

***Soup and Chili will be served BEFORE the meeting
as a fundraiser for the youth.***

Special Benevolence and Guest Speaker-Gene Eulinger

Next Sunday, Feb. 1st, has been designated as Gideon Sunday and all loose plate offering, as well as special envelopes, will be sent to the Gideon Ministry.

Activities Calendar: January 25, 2026 ~ February 1, 2026

Sunday, January 25

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship

Monday, January 26th

7:00 p.m. – Brotherhood

Tuesday, January 27th

9:00 a.m. – Prayer Cell

Wednesday, January 28th

5:30 p.m. – Acolyte Training

6:00 p.m. – Fellowship Meal and Confirmation

6:30 p.m. –R.O.K./God’s Singers, Bell Choir

7:30 p.m. – Sr. Choir

Sunday, February 1st

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship – Allan Mortenson

11:30 a.m. – Soup and Chili youth fundraiser followed by

Annual meeting

**Community Men's Bible Study
Friday, Feb. 6th at 6:00 a.m.
Crossroads Plaza**

**UCC HS 
UPCOMING
EVENTS 2026**

January 11th - Mission Meeting after Church

February 7th - Midway Golf w/Kris (boys)

**February 13th- MU Hockey Game @ 7:30pm
(\$10 each)**

**March 7th - Called To Be Conference
(9-3pm) Girls**

March 14th - Life Surge in St Louis

**March 28th - Young Christians Weekend
@ Silver Dollar City**

April 10th thru 11th - Lock-In 8pm-8am

May 30-31st - High School Garage Sale

June event ideas needed!

July 18 thru 26 - Mission Trip to Barnesville, MN

————— Contact Dyan @ 714-417-3926 ————

Please pray for these . . .

Love & Justice in God's World

Family and Friends of Larry Renfro, Glenda Williams and Marian Britton

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, Becky Zuidervaart, Bill Schacht, Jenine Baker, Alan Chambers, Courtney Cassil, Joyce Rohrbach, 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, Army, Ft. Drum, NY)

Heavenly Father may Your grace shine upon our search process, leading us to the individual You have prepared for this sacred calling. We trust in Your perfect timing and surrender our desires into Your loving hands. In Jesus' name, we pray.

Amen

In My Heart There Rings a Melody

1. I have a song that Je-sus gave me, It was sent from
2. I love the Christ who died on Cal-v'ry, For He washed my
3. 'Twill be my end-less theme in glo-ry, With the an-gels

heav'n a-bove; There nev-er was a sweet-er mel-o-dy, 'Tis a
sins a-way; He put with-in my heart a mel-o-dy, And I
I will sing; 'Twill be a song with glo-rious har-mo-ny, When the

mel-o-dy of love. know it's there to stay. In my heart there rings a mel-o-dy, There
courts of heav-en ring.

rings a mel-o-dy with heav-en's har-mo-ny; In my heart there

rings a mel-o-dy; There rings a mel-o-dy of love.

The musical score consists of four systems of music. The top system has a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp, and a common time. The second system has a bass clef, a key signature of one sharp, and a common time. The third system has a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp, and a common time. The fourth system has a bass clef, a key signature of one sharp, and a common time. The music is primarily composed of quarter notes and eighth notes, with some sixteenth-note patterns. The lyrics are integrated into the music, appearing below the notes in a two-line staff format. The piano accompaniment is provided by the bass line in the lower staff of each system.

Fairest Lord Jesus

1. Fair - est Lord Je - sus, Rul - er of all na - ture,
2. Fair are the mead - ows, Fair - er still the wood-lands,
3. Fair is the sun - shine, Fair - er still the moon-light,

O Thou of God and man the Son,
Robed in the bloom - ing garb of spring:
And all the twin - kling, star - ry host:

Thee will I cher - ish, Thee will I hon - or, Thou,
Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is pur - er, Who
Je - sus shines bright - er, Je - sus shines pur - er, Than

my soul's glo - ry, joy, and crown.
makes the woe - ful heart to sing.
all the an - gels heav'n can boast. A - men.

Lead On, O King Eternal



1. Lead on, O King E - ter - nal, The day of march has come;
2. Lead on, O King E - ter - nal, Till sin's fierce war shall cease,
3. Lead on, O King E - ter - nal, We fol - low, not with fears,



Hence-forth in fields of con - quest Thy tents shall be our home.
And ho - li - ness shall whis - per The sweet a - men of peace.
For glad - ness breaks like morn - ing Wher-e'er Thy face ap - pears.



Through days of prep - a - ra - tion Thy grace has made us strong,
For not with swords loud clash - ing, Nor roll of stir - ring drums,
Thy cross is lift - ed o'er us; We jour - ney in its light;



And now, O King E - ter - nal, We lift our bat - tle song.
But deeds of love and mer - cy, The heav'n-ly king-dom comes.
The crown a - waits the con-quest; Lead on, O God of might! A-men.



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'ly 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: *Holy Ghost, have mercy upon us.*
Congregation: **Holy Ghost, have mercy upon us.**