



**United Church of Christ ~ California, Missouri**

**Mr. Allan Mortenson**

**Leader**

**Mrs. Beth Dampf**

**Organist**

**Mrs. Stacy Friedrich**

**Sr. Choir Director**

**Mrs. Connie Bestgen**

**God's Singers Director**

**Mrs. Ellen Ash**

**Piano Accompanist**

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**April 12, 2026 ~ Second Sunday of Easter**

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The Bell

The Prelude

Lighting of the Candles    Nora Wolford & McKenna Chambers

Choral Opening

Welcome and Announcements

\*Call to Worship

This is a new day. Christ lives in our hearts and in our world.

**Christ lives. Let us love our neighbors!**

Christ lives. Let us share God's abundance and care for His creation!

**Christ lives. Let us rejoice!**

\*Hymn No. 47            "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

\*Prayer of the Day (unison)

**Almighty God, with joy we celebrate our Lord's resurrection. By the grace of Christ among us, enable us to show the power of the resurrection in all that we say and do, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. 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 “Praise Him, Praise Him” p. 6 verse 1

*Praise Him, praise Him, all ye little children,  
God is love, God is love; Praise Him, praise Him,  
all ye little children, God is love, God is love.*

Children’s Time

Anny Roll

Cantata “Hope and Grace”

*Featuring Stacy Friedrich, Sr. Choir, and God’s Singers  
Readers – Hunter Hall, Hadley and Logan Milligan*

Invitation to the Offering

\*Response “*Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow*”

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*Hymn No. 361 “My Faith Looks Up to Thee”

\*Benediction

\*Congregational Response “Because He Lives” (chorus only) p.204

*Because He lives I can face tomorrow;  
Because He lives all fear is gone;  
Because I know He holds the future,  
And life is worth the living just because He lives.*

\*Postlude

**Ushers – Holly Bieri and Kris Ingram**

**Greeters – Jay and Connie Bestgen**

## **Wednesday Evening Meal, April 15th ~ 6 p.m.**

Chicken and Bacon Pasta with Tomatoes in Garlic Cream Sauce, Beef Mostaccioli, Vegetables, Salad and Breadsticks

**Don't forget to sign up ~~ Last one until Fall!!!**

### **Food Pantry Items Needed**

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

***If you ordered Easter flowers for the sanctuary,  
please take them home after worship today.  
Thank you!***

### **New Member Class**

**Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup>**, there will be a lunch immediately following the service for anyone interested in joining the Church. New member classes will follow on Sunday mornings during Sunday School hour taught by Rev. Lina Eddy. Anyone interested in joining the Church let the Church office know.

### **Mark your Calendars**

**Cabinet Meeting – April 26<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm**

### **Office Hours for Rev. Lina Eddy**

*Wednesday, April 15 ~ 11 to 1 pm*

*Thursday, April 16 ~ 9 am to 11 am*

***Sunday ROK (Reaching Our Kids) Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup>  
after children's time until the end of the worship service children age 4 and up  
are invited to come down to the Fellowship Hall with Ronda Mortenson. You  
can pick up your child in the Fellowship Hall at the end of the worship service.***

## Activities Calendar: April 12, 2026 ~ April 19, 2026

### Sunday, April 12 Second Sunday of Easter

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship

### Monday, April 13

6:00 p.m. – Consistory

### Tuesday, April 14

9:00 a.m. – Prayer Cell

### Wednesday, April 15

1:00 p.m. – Women's Guild

6:00 p.m. – Fellowship Meal – *Last one until Fall*

6:30 p.m. – God's Singers & Bell Choir

7:30 p.m. – Sr. Choir

### Thursday, April 16

9:30 a.m. – California Care Worship

### Sunday, April 19, Third Sunday of Easter

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship – Rev. Michael Matheny

- R.O.K. Sunday and New Member Luncheon after worship

*Looking ahead ~*

*Sunday, April 26<sup>th</sup> – Brenda Oesterly ~ Cabinet meeting at 2pm*

*Monday, April 27<sup>th</sup> – Brotherhood at 7pm*

***Tidings News Due  
by April 24th***

***Today – High School Friends of Music Annual BBQ – Carry out/Drive thru only. 11:00 am to 1:00 pm, serving pulled pork, smoked turkey, baked potato, green beans, apple sauce and dessert. \$15.00 a ticket and can purchase still when you drive up or at the door.***

### ***High School Seniors***

*The Ivan Dameron Memorial Service Scholarship Application can be found in the Church Office and must be completed and returned by Thursday, April 30<sup>th</sup>! This scholarship will be awarded at the Baccalaureate Service and is sponsored by the Ministerial Alliance.*

*Please pray for these . . .*

Love & Justice in God's World

Family and Friends of *Pete Murphy and Mary Alice Seehusen*

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

Anjanette Volkart, Charles Velazquez (Dolores Burger's brother-in-law), Diane (Henry) Jobe, Becky Zuidervaart, Jenine Baker, Alan Chambers, Courtney Cassil, Joyce Rohrbach, Jo Suggs, Judy Kilmer

**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*)

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## Camp Aurora

### Summer 2026 Dates



**Senior High Camp July 5 - 11**

**Junior High Camp July 12-17**

**Junior Camp July 19-24**

**Primary Camp July 26-29**

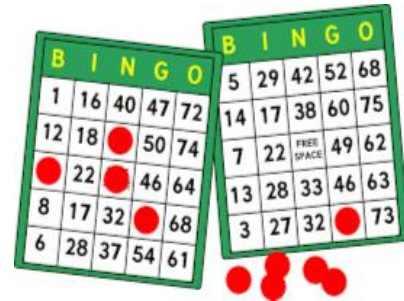
**Register online at [www.campaaurora.org](http://www.campaaurora.org).**

Completed forms and a check for ½ of the Early Registration Fee payable to the UCC SUNDAY SCHOOL must be turned in to Cinda Scheidt or the Church Office BEFORE 11:00 am on May 24, 2026.

# ALL CHURCH FAMILY NIGHT MAY 3rd

Potluck supper. Come any time after 5:30, eat at 6:00, followed by entertainment and bingo (prizes for the winners).

Bring your favorite dishes to share. Drinks and table service provided by the Brotherhood.



***LET'S HAVE A FUN FAMILY  
GET TOGETHER!***

## *Prayer from Search Committee.....*

John 15:1-8 — Pray for church members to continually abide in Christ and produce much fruit that glorifies the Father during the interim period.

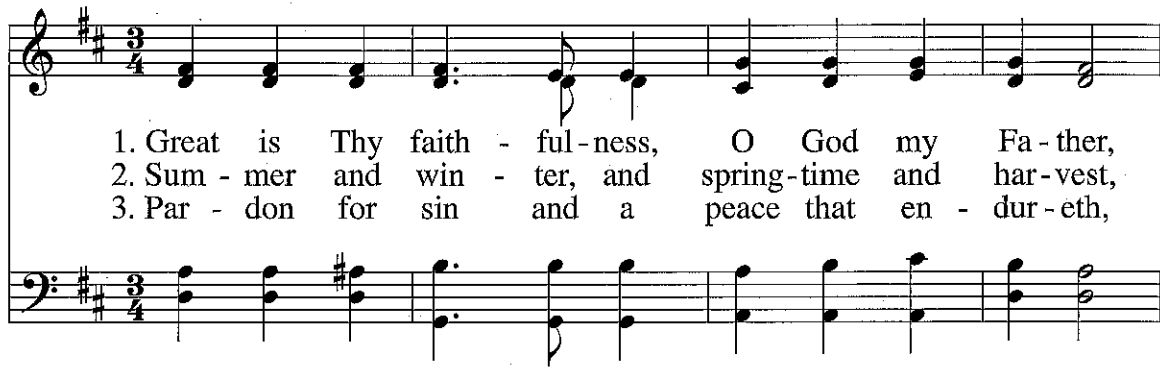
A **Nursery** is available in the upstairs hallway, just outside the sanctuary. The nursery attendant is **Emma Bestgen**. There are activity bags at the back of the sanctuary for children that stay in the worship service.

**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.

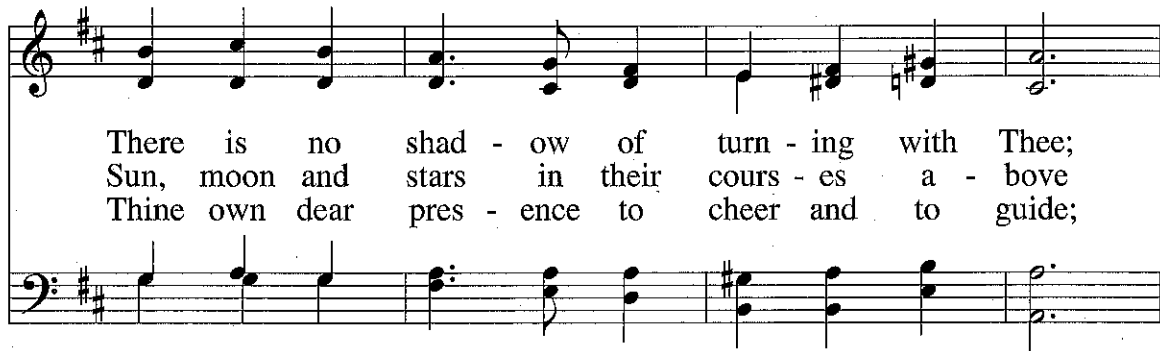
**Notice the “Connection Cards” in the pews.** They are for our guests or anyone that has a prayer request or needs more information about the church. Please place it in the offering plate.

*Church office: 573-796-4885 Website: [www.calmo-ucc.org](http://www.calmo-ucc.org)  
[rhonda@calmo-ucc.org](mailto:rhonda@calmo-ucc.org)*

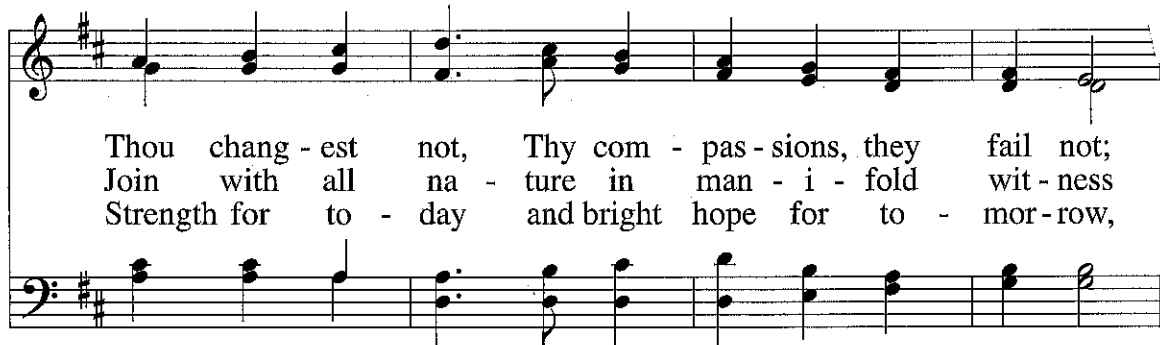
# Great Is Thy Faithfulness



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!

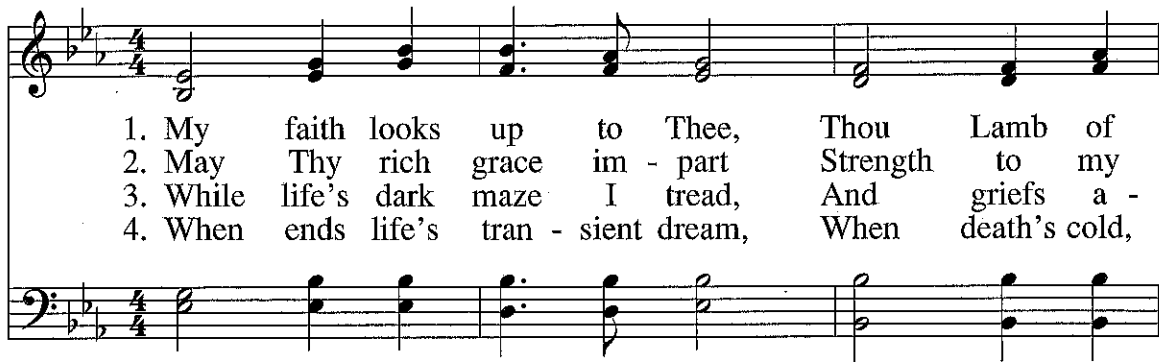
Great is Thy faith - ful - ness! Great is Thy faith - ful - ness!

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.

# My Faith Looks Up to Thee



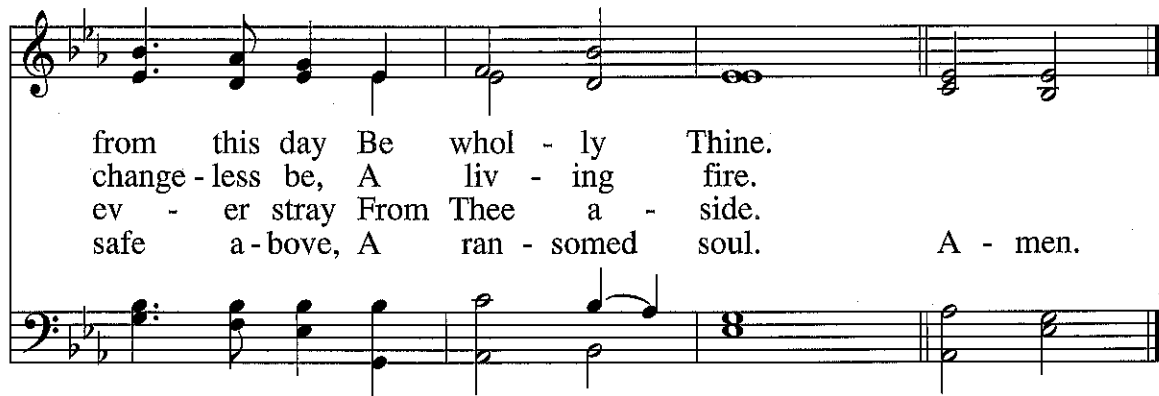
1. My faith looks up to Thee, Thou Lamb of  
2. May Thy rich grace im - part Strength to my  
3. While life's dark maze I tread, And griefs a -  
4. When ends life's tran - sient dream, When death's cold,



Cal - va - ry, Sav - ior di - vine! Now hear me  
faint - ing heart, My zeal in - spire; As Thou hast  
round me spread, Be Thou my guide; Bid dark - ness  
sul - len stream Shall o'er me roll, Blest Sav - ior,



while I pray; Take all my guilt a - way; Oh, let me  
died for me, Oh, may my love to Thee Pure, warm, and  
turn to day; Wipe sor - row's tears a - way; Nor let me  
then, in love, Fear and dis - trust re - move; Oh, bear me



from this day Be whol - ly Thine.  
change - less be, A liv - ing fire.  
ev - er stray From Thee a - side.  
safe a - bove, A ran - somed soul. 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'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.**  
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