





\*Prayer of the Day (unison)

**Source of Light, God of great mercy and love, we come to you this day seeking restoration of our sight. Clear away our blindness, and give us a new vision of all that we can accomplish in your name. Give us strength and confidence to truly witness to your abiding love and faithfulness. For we offer this prayer in Jesus' Name. 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 “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

Puppets

Anthem “Jesus is Alive and Doin' Well” God's Singers

Prayer for Illumination (unison)

Ginnie Medlin

**Shine the light of Your Spirit into our hearts and minds, that we may understand not only the meaning of Your Word, but also the life it calls us to live. Lead us through the gate of Your truth into the pasture of Your grace, where we may find rest, renewal, and courage for the journey ahead. Through Jesus Christ, our Shepherd and Savior, we pray. Amen.**

Scripture Lessons:     *Acts 2:42-47*         *p. 949*  
                              *Psalm 23*                 *p. 476*  
                              *1 Peter 2:19-25*     *p. 1059*  
                              *John 10:1-10*         *p. 933*

Sermon                    **Powerful Witness**

Hymn No. 431    “Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us”

**Statement of Faith** (*found on the inside front cover of the hymnal or yellow laminated folder*)

Prayer of Intercession

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

Invitation to the Offering

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

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*Hymn            “I Will Sing the Wondrous Story” (insert)

\*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

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Greeters: Jay and Connie Bestgen

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The Fourth Sunday of Easter we traditionally celebrate as Good Shepherd Sunday. This is because in the Gospel of the day (from St. John's Gospel), Jesus speaks of himself as the Shepherd who is prepared to lay down his life for his sheep. Throughout this Gospel, Jesus calls His followers to trust in Him and live according to His teachings. His role as the shepherd mirrors His call to love and serve others, just as He loves and serves us.

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

*Wednesday, April 29 ~ 1 to 3 pm*  
*Thursday, April 30 ~ 9 am to 11 am*

## **Activities Calendar: April 26, 2026 ~ May 3, 2026**

### **Sunday, April 26, Fourth Sunday of Easter**

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship

2:00 p.m. – Cabinet Meeting

3:00 p.m. - Middle School Youth going to trampoline park

### **Monday, April 27**

7:00 p.m. – Brotherhood

### **Tuesday, April 28**

9:00 a.m. – Prayer Cell

### **Wednesday, April 29**

5:30 p.m. – Bell Choir

6:30 p.m. – God's Singers

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

### **Friday, May 1**

12:00 p.m. – National Day of Prayer at the Courthouse

### **Sunday, May 3 - Communion**

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship- Rev. Lina Eddy

5:30 p.m. -Family night

### ***Looking ahead ~***

*Monday, May 4<sup>th</sup> – Sunday School Teacher and Officer Meeting at 6:30pm*

*Tuesday, May 5<sup>th</sup> – Quilters at 11:00 am*

*Sunday, May 10 – Mother's Day- Youth and Allan Mortenson*

# **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!***



***Please pray for these . . .***

Love & Justice in God's World

Family and Friends of: David Decker, Lanny Strickfaden and Hattie Scott

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

Alan Meyer, 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*)

### **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.

The Middle School Youth Fellowship is planning to go to Jetz Trampoline Park at the Lake of the Ozarks **TODAY Sunday, April 26<sup>th</sup>**. We will meet at the church at 3p.m.



## **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.campauroa.org](http://www.campauroa.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.**

### **VeggieTale Carnival**

**Saturday, May 30<sup>th</sup>, 9:30am -11:30 am**

Age 2 to 5<sup>th</sup> grade

Movie: Dave and The Giant Pickle in the Fellowship Hall

Then off to the Carnival in the Friendship Hall

Try your luck at Breaking a Pinata, play various Carnival Games,

Collect Prizes and join in on the cupcake walk.

Contact Ronda Mortenson at 573-694-3933 or Church Office at 573-796-4885.

New Members interested in joining the Church are meeting at 9:30 a.m. downstairs in the Pastor's office with Rev. Lina Eddy.

### **National Day of Prayer**

The California Ministerial Alliance invites you for prayer at the Moniteau County Courthouse on **Friday, May 1st**. Prayer will begin at 12:05 at the flag pole. Lunch is provided for soldiers and vets, firefighters, emergency responders and all who serve in the Courthouse and City Hall.

### **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. *Looking ahead to May*, Peanut Butter is the food item requested. There is a box in the downstairs foyer to place your food items.

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.

# I Love to Tell the Story



1. I love to tell the sto - ry Of un - seen things a -  
2. I love to tell the sto - ry, For those who know it




bove, Of Je - sus and His glo - ry, Of  
best Seem hun - ger - ing and thirst - ing To



Je - sus and His love. I love to tell the  
hear it, like the rest. And when, in scenes of



sto - ry, Be - cause I know it's true; It  
glo - ry, I sing the new, new song, 'Twill



sat - is - fies my long - ings As noth - ing else would do.  
be the old, old sto - ry That I have loved so long.

I love to tell the sto-ry; 'Twill be my theme in glo-ry

To tell the old, old sto-ry Of Je-sus and His love.

# Savior, Like a Shephard Lead Us

1. Sav - ior, like a shep-herd lead us, Much we  
 2. We are Thine; do Thou be - friend us; Be the  
 3. Ear - ly let us seek Thy fa - vor; Ear - ly  
 4. Thou hast prom - ised to re - ceive us, Poor and

need Thy ten - der care; In Thy pleas - ant pas - tures  
 guard - ian of our way; Keep Thy flock, from sin de -  
 let us do Thy will; Bless - ed Lord and on - ly  
 sin - ful though we be; Thou hast mer - cy to re -

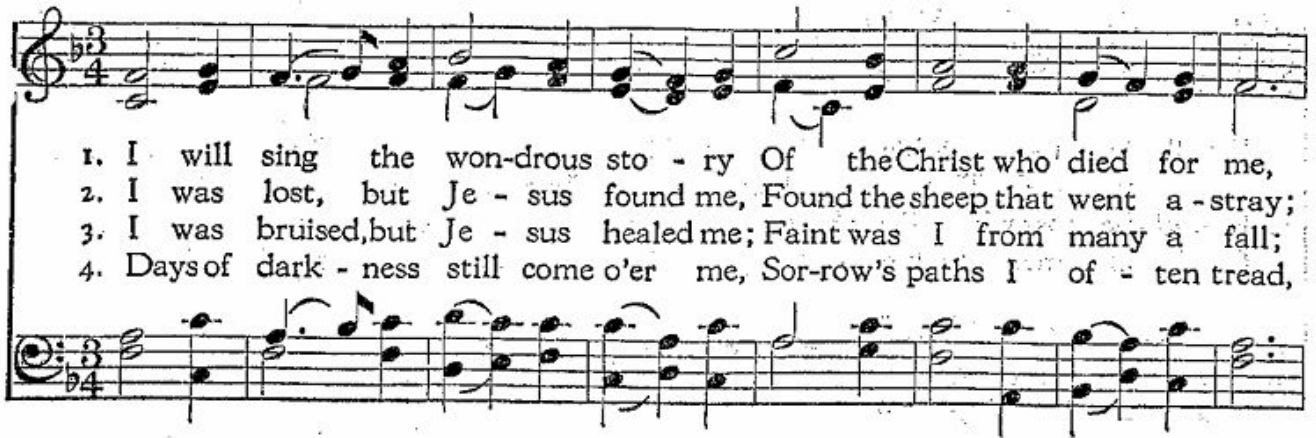
feed us, For our use Thy folds pre - pare.  
 fend us, Seek us when we go a - stray.  
 Sav - ior, With Thy love our bos - oms fill.  
 lieve us, Grace to cleanse, and pow'r to free.

Bless - ed Je - sus, Bless - ed Je - sus, Thou hast  
 Bless - ed Je - sus, Bless - ed Je - sus, Hear Thy  
 Bless - ed Je - sus, Bless - ed Je - sus, Thou hast  
 Bless - ed Je - sus, Bless - ed Je - sus, Ear - ly

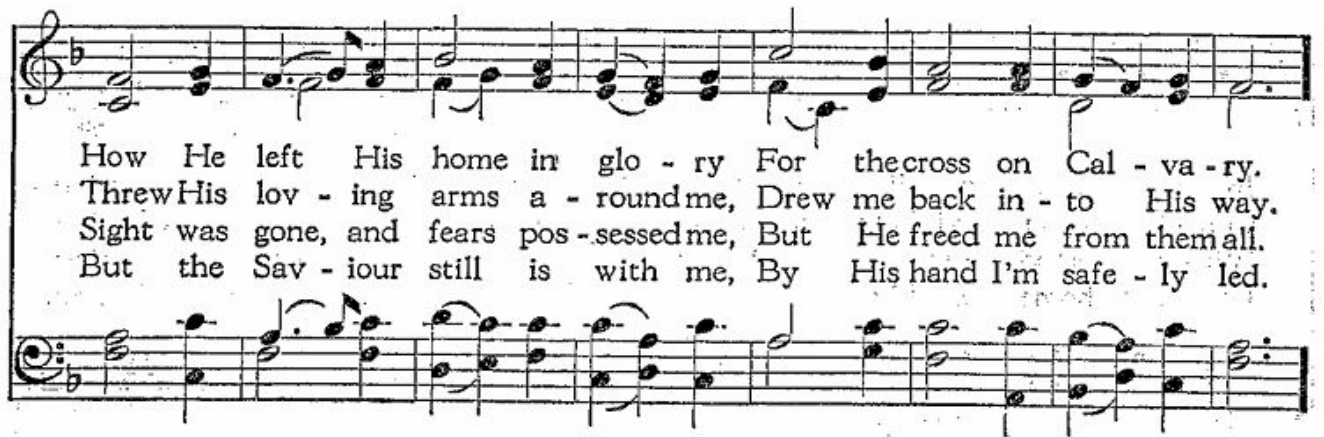
bought us, Thine we are; Bless-ed Je - sus, Bless-ed  
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 loved us, love us still; Bless-ed Je - sus, Bless-ed  
 let us turn to Thee; Bless-ed Je - sus, Bless-ed

Je - sus, Thou hast bought us, Thine we are.  
 Je - sus, Hear Thy chil - dren when they pray.  
 Je - sus, Thou hast loved us, love us still.  
 Je - sus, Ear - ly let us turn to Thee. A - men.

# I Will Sing the Wondrous Story

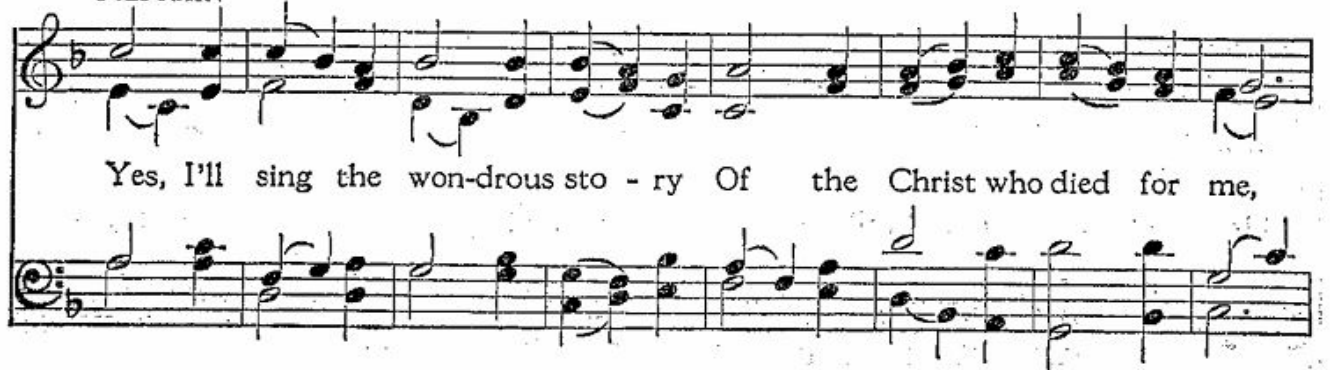


1. I will sing the won-drous sto - ry Of the Christ who died for me,  
2. I was lost, but Je - sus found me, Found the sheep that went a - stray;  
3. I was bruised, but Je - sus healed me; Faint was I from many a fall;  
4. Days of dark - ness still come o'er me, Sor-row's paths I of - ten tread,



How He left His home in glo - ry For the cross on Cal - va - ry.  
Threw His lov - ing arms a - round me, Drew me back in - to His way.  
Sight was gone, and fears pos - sessed me, But He freed me from them all.  
But the Sav - iour still is with me, By His hand I'm safe - ly led.

## REFRAIN



Yes, I'll sing the won-drous sto - ry Of the Christ who died for me,



Sing it with the saints in glo - ry, Gath - ered by the crys - tal sea.

## 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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