



United Church of Christ of California ~ California, Missouri  
Allan Mortenson Leader  
Mrs. Beth Dampf Organist  
Mrs. Connie Bestgen God's Singers Director

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May 10, 2026 ~ Sixth Sunday of Easter  
Mother's Day

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

The Bell

The Prelude

Lighting of the Candles                      Lee Bieri & Nora Wolford

Chorale Opening

Welcome and Announcements

\*Call to Worship

Where have we seen and not believed?

**Where have we heard and not listened?**

Open our inner eyes to your miracles, Holy God;

**Open our inner ears to your amazing news.**

Inspire us to see, believe, hear, and follow.

\*Hymn No. 61                      "O How I Love Jesus"

\*Prayer of the Day (unison)

**O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *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

Puppets

Anthem

“I’m Something Special”

God’s Singers

Prayer of Illumination (unison)

Carole Barbour

**Living God, who speaks to all our hearts, filling them with hope and courage: Still the noise around and within us, so that we may hear and heed your voice alone. Ground our lives in the Gospel of your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, the crucified and risen Lord, in whose name we pray. Amen.**

Scripture Lessons

*First Lesson:* Proverbs 31:25-31 p. 573

*Second Lesson:* John 14:15-21 p. 939

Sermon

**Mother’s Day Tribute**

**Cody Schneider, Chase Trimble, and Adler Koestner**

Hymn No. 288

“Happy the Home When God Is There”

*Christians, what do you believe?*

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

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

\*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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Ushers: Jim Deeken and Doug Dampf

Greeters: Katie Schlup and Grace Meisenheimer



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**Office Hours for Rev. Lina Eddy**

*Wednesday, May 13 ~ 11:00 am to 1 pm*

*Thursday, May 14 ~ 10:30 am to 1:30 pm*

# **Happy Mother's Day!**

## **Sunday ROK (Reaching Our Kids)**

### **TODAY**

after children's time till the end of the worship service All the kids 4 years old 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.

## **Food Pantry Items Needed**

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

## **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.

## **Activities Calendar: May 10, 2026 ~ May 17, 2026**

### **Sunday, May 10, Sixth Sunday of Easter**

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship

### **Monday, May 11**

6:00 p.m. - Consistory

### **Tuesday, May 12th**

9:00 a.m. – Prayer Cell

6:00 p.m. – Schnuck Committee Meeting

### **Wednesday, May 13th**

5:30 p.m. – Bell Choir

7:00 p.m. – Baccalaureate Service

No Sr. Choir Practice

### **Sunday, May 17th Seventh Sunday of Easter and Senior Sunday**

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship – Kolten Fulks

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

***Sunday, May 24<sup>th</sup>, - Rev. Lina Eddy, New Member Sunday and Communion***

***6 pm. – Memorial Service at Cemetery***

***Monday, May 25<sup>th</sup> – Memorial Day -Church office closed***

***Saturday, May 30<sup>th</sup> – VeggieTale Carnival at 9:30 am***

**Articles & Reports for  
*The Tidings* -  
Due by Friday,  
May 22<sup>nd</sup>**

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

Amos 3:3, Matthew 18:19, Ephesians 4:3— Pray for powerful unity and oneness in spirit within the Search Committee

# 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.**

*Please pray for these . . .*

Love & Justice in God's World

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

Alan Meyer, Anjanette Volkart, Becky Zuidervaart, Alan Chambers, Joyce Rohrbach, Judy Kilmer, Cindy Ash, Kris Bieri, Jackie Heather

**California Care:** Jimmy Ford, Amanda Volkart, Ida Barry

**Valley Park:** Jane Burger, Carole Schroeder, Sue Latham, Patricia Friedrich

**Heisinger Bluffs:** Charles Goode

**Tipton Oaks:** Diane Jobe, Jo Suggs

### **All Those Serving in the U.S. Military, including:**

Martin Knipker (*son of Kenny Knipker, Naval Base, San Diego, CA*)

Dwight Bowlin (*grandson of the late Jack & Carole Bowlin, Fort Campbell, KY*)

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*)

***Annual Pork Steak BBQ Fundraiser & Baked Goods Auction***

First Christian Church, Sunday, May 31<sup>st</sup>, 11:30 am to 1pm

Pork Steak Meal-suggested \$12 or Hot Dog Meal-suggested \$5

All proceeds support Church Camp – Carry out available

**Annunciation Catholic Church Picnic**

Sunday, June 7, 2026

Family-Style Dinner 11:00 am – 6:00 pm

Carry out available

**Vacation Bible School**

June 21<sup>st</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> 6:30 to 8:30 pm

Ages 3 years to 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

Register at [calmo-ucc.org](http://calmo-ucc.org)

UCC Church family, with Sunday Schools approval an Amazon VBS wish list for supplies was set up and posted on facebook as well. All items purchased will ship directly to the UCC Church. Below is a link to the Egypt VBS June 21-25th 2026 Amazon Wish list Thank you in advance for your donation, it is truly appreciated.

[https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/LBEYFITYJEDH?ref=wl\\_share](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/LBEYFITYJEDH?ref=wl_share)

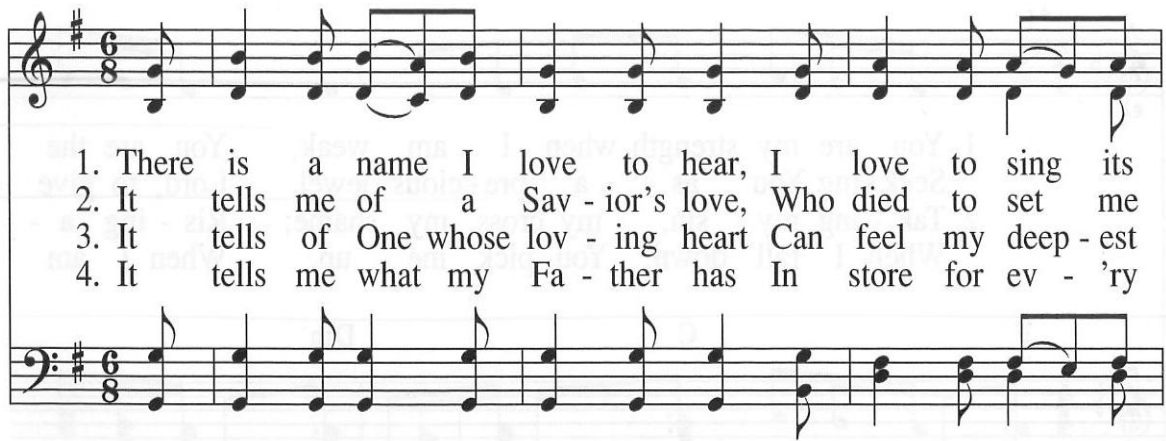
Sincerely,  
Ronda Mortenson

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.

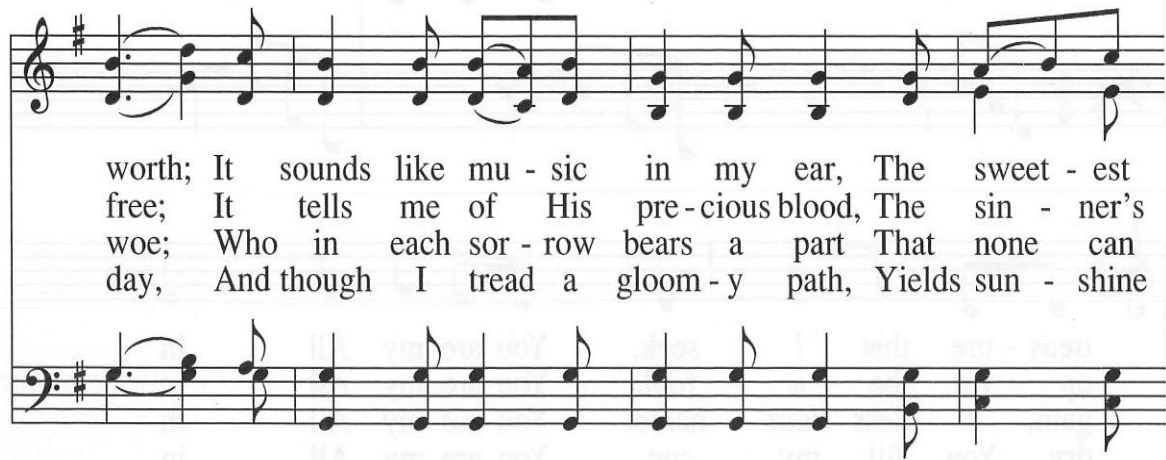
**Need some help with hearing?** See an usher at the back of the sanctuary to check out a hearing assisted unit for your personal use in the sanctuary and in the Friendship Hall. We have new units available.

**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.

# O How I Love Jesus



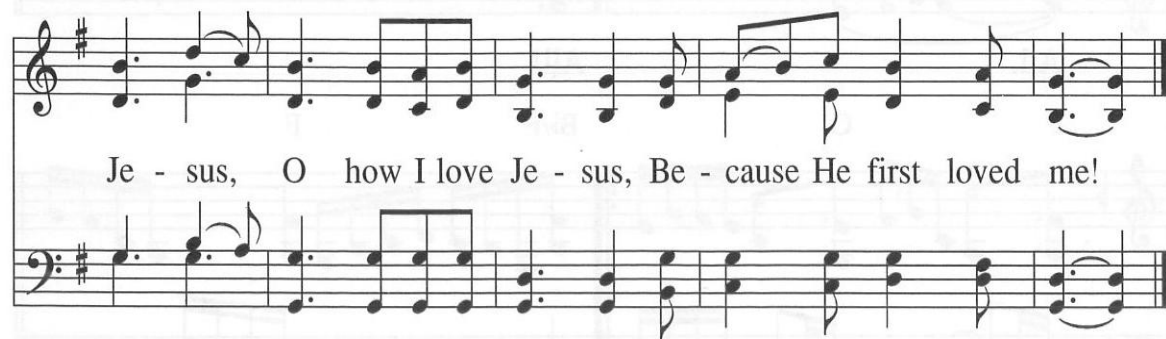
1. There is a name I love to hear, I love to sing its  
2. It tells me of a Sav - ior's love, Who died to set me  
3. It tells of One whose lov - ing heart Can feel my deep - est  
4. It tells me what my Fa - ther has In store for ev - 'ry



worth; It sounds like mu - sic in my ear, The sweet - est  
free; It tells me of His pre - cious blood, The sin - ner's  
woe; Who in each sor - row bears a part That none can  
day, And though I tread a gloom - y path, Yields sun - shine




name on earth.  
per - fect plea.  
bear be - low. O how I love Je - sus, O how I love  
all the way.

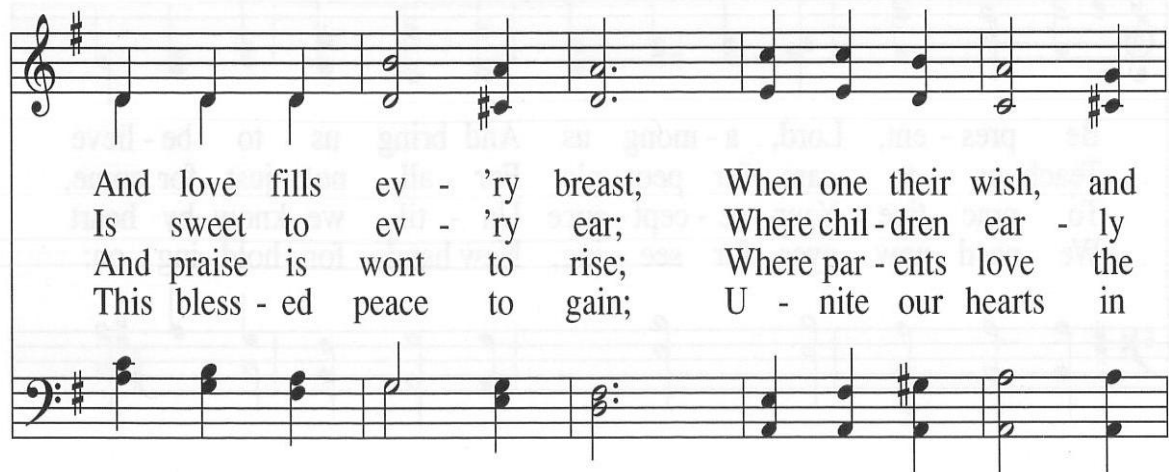


Je - sus, O how I love Je - sus, Be - cause He first loved me!

# Happy the Home When God Is There



1. Hap - py the home when God is there,  
2. Hap - py the home where Je - sus' name  
3. Hap - py the home where prayer is heard,  
4. Lord, let us in our homes a - gree

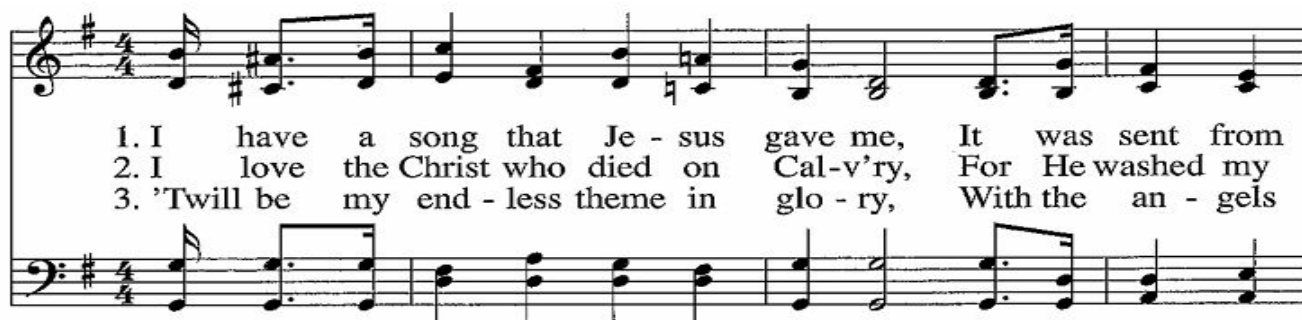


And love fills ev - 'ry breast;      When one their wish, and  
Is sweet to ev - 'ry ear;      Where chil - dren ear - ly  
And praise is wont to rise;      Where par - ents love the  
This bless - ed peace to gain;      U - nite our hearts in

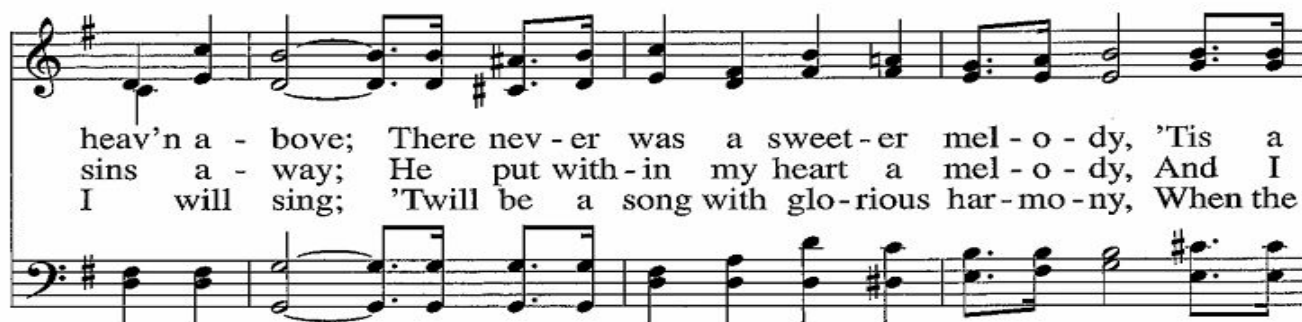


one their prayer,      And one their heav'n - ly rest.  
speak His fame,      And par - ents hold Him dear.  
sa - cred Word      And all its wis - dom prize.  
love to Thee,      And love to all will reign.


# 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.

*"In My Heart There Rings a Melody"*

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## 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.*  
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