

United Church of Christ ~ California, Missouri

Rev. Michael Matheny

Pastor

Mrs. Beth Dampf

Organist

June 21, 2026 – Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

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

The Bell

The Prelude

Lighting of the Candles Nora Wolford & Amelia Howard

Gathering Chorus No. 49 “God Is So Good”

Welcome and Announcements

***Call to Worship**

Leader: Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.

People: For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised.

Leader: See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God!

People: And that is what we are.

Leader: Come, let us bow down and worship, recognizing the steadfast love of our Heavenly Father.

People: We come into His presence with thanksgiving, ready to praise His holy name!

***Hymn No. 263 “This Is My Father’s World”**

***Prayer of the Day (unison)**

Heavenly Father, we thank You for the privilege of calling You our Father. We come together today not as strangers, but as Your beloved children. We invite Your Holy Spirit to guide our minds, quiet our distractions, and fill this space with Your peace. As we open our hearts to worship,

may our praises bring joy to Your heart and unite us as a family of believers. In Your holy and precious name, we pray. Amen.

* Call to Praise

O Lord, open our lips!

And our mouths shall show forth your praise!

*Act of Praise – “*Gloria Patri*” (printed on laminated card in hymnal)

Invitation to Children’s Time

Hymn for Children “B-I-B-L-E” (sing twice)

The B-I-B-L-E,

Yes, that’s the book for me;

I stand alone on the Word of God,

The B-I-B-L-E

Children’s Time

Ronda Mortenson

Special Music Tony Barry, Todd Barry, Mark Rohrbach
and Christy Heimericks

Prayer for Illumination (unison) Toni Kueffer

**As the seed of your revelation is dropped into our heart,
give us the discernment to hear through human words
that we may apprehend a divine Word. Amen.**

Scripture Lessons

First Lesson: Psalm 103 p. 521

Second Lesson: Matthew 6:24-34 p. 840

Sermon **God Our Father**

1st John 3:1-3 p. 1066

*Hymn No. 51 “He’s Got the Whole World in His Hand”

Pastoral Prayer

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

Invitation to the Offering

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

*Prayer of Dedication

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

*Benediction

May the Lord bless you and keep you. May God the Father make His face shine upon you and give you an unwavering sense of His love. As you leave this place, go with the comforting assurance that you are His children, held securely in His hands. May His peace, which surpasses all understanding, guard your hearts and minds as you walk in His ways. In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, Amen.

*Congregational Response *“They'll Know We Are Christians”*

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,

And we pray that all unity may one day be restored:

And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,

Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

*Extinguishing of the Candles

*Postlude

Activities Calendar: June 21, 2026 ~ June 28, 2026

Sunday, June 21-Father's Day

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship

6:30 p.m. – Bible School

Monday, June 22

6:30 p.m. – Bible School

7:00 p.m. – Brotherhood at First Christian Church

Tuesday, June 23

9:00 a.m. – Prayer Cell

6:30 p.m. – Bible School

Wednesday, June 24

6:30 p.m. – Bible School

Thursday, June 25

6:30 p.m. – Bible School

Sunday, June 28

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship

Looking ahead ~

Friday, July 3rd – Church office closed

Saturday, July 4th - Fourth of July Holiday and Parade at 9 am

Monday, July 6th – Sunday School Teacher and Officer Meeting at 6:30 pm

Tuesday, July 7th - Quilters meet 11am

Monday, July 13th – Consistory meeting 6 pm

Wednesday, July 15th – Women's Guild 1pm

Saturday, July 25th – Rohrbach Sing-a-long and Potluck

Monday, July 27th – Brotherhood 7pm

**July Tidings News
due by Thursday,
June 25th**

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Ushers: Jay Bestgen and Tara Meisenheimer

Greeters: VanDee and Patrick Miller



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*Please pray for these . . .*

Love & Justice in God's World

Family and Friends of: Kris Bieri

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

Alan Meyer, Anjanette Volkart, Becky Zuidervaat, 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, Patricia Friedrich

**Heisinger Bluffs:** Charles Goode

**Tipton Oaks:** 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*)

Derek Meyer (*grandson of Elaine & Eldred Proctor, Army, Italy*)

Blake Street (*grandson of Jenine Baker, Army, Ft. Drum, NY*)

**Happy Father's Day!!**

Be sure to get some jerky. On behalf of the Evangelism committee and the church, have a Blessed Day!

***250<sup>th</sup> Fourth of July Parade***

If you are interested in riding on the church float, walking or handing out candy, let the church office or Amy Howard know. The parade starts at 9 am on Saturday, July 4th at the Concrete Plant by Cargill and ends at the Fairgrounds. Come join this historical event as America celebrates 250 years!

*Check out the flooring project that was approved and completed for the downstairs entry way. Thanks for your patience as the project was being done!*

Prayer from the Search Committee...

*Heavenly Father,*

We come before You with open hearts, seeking Your wisdom and guidance. You know the needs of our church, the challenges we face, and the vision You have placed before us. Lord, lead us to the shepherd who will love Your people, teach Your Word faithfully, and walk humbly in Your ways.

Grant our search committee discernment, unity, and patience. Remove any spirit of division, and replace it with peace and trust in Your perfect timing. Prepare the heart of the one You are calling, and prepare us to receive them with grace, love, and support.

May this season draw us closer to You, deepen our faith, and strengthen our fellowship. We trust that You will provide the right leader to guide us into the next chapter of our ministry.

In Jesus' name, Amen.

## **Food Pantry Items Needed**

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

## **Vacation Bible School Starts Tonight**

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

Come check out Egypt- Joseph's Journey from Prison to Palace

## **Rohrbach Sing-A-Long and Potluck Dinner**

Saturday, July 25<sup>th</sup>, 6 p.m.

Bring your favorite dish and come join the singing.

All are welcome!

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.

# God Is So Good

E $\flat$ 
B $\flat$ 7
Fm/B $\flat$  E $\flat$


1. God is so good, God is so good,  
 2. He saved my soul, He saved my soul,  
 3. I'll praise His name, I'll praise His name,

B $\flat$ m7
A $\flat$ 
Fm/A $\flat$ 
Fm7( $\flat$ 5)
E $\flat$ /B $\flat$ 
B $\flat$ m7
E $\flat$

God is so good— O so good to me.  
 He saved my soul— God's so good to me.  
 I'll praise His name— God's so good to me.

SO GOOD


# This Is My Father's World



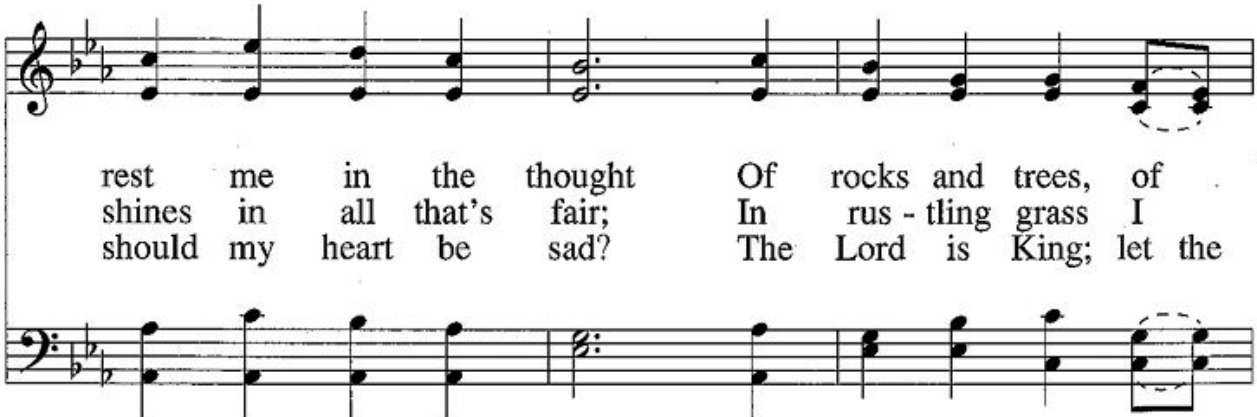
1. This is my Fa-ther's world; And to my lis-t'ning  
2. This is my Fa-ther's world; The birds their car - ols  
3. This is my Fa-ther's world; O let me ne'er for -



ears, All na - ture sings, and round me rings The  
raise, The morn - ing light, the lil - y white, De -  
get That though the wrong seems oft so strong, God



mu - sic of the spheres. This is my Fa-ther's world; I  
clare their Mak - er's praise. This is my Fa-ther's world; He  
is the rul - er yet. This is my Fa-ther's world; Why



rest me in the thought Of rocks and trees, of  
shines in all that's fair; In rus - tling grass I  
should my heart be sad? The Lord is King; let the

skies and seas, His hand the won - ders wrought.  
 hear Him pass; He speaks to me ev - 'ry - where.  
 heav - ens ring! God reigns; let the earth be glad. A - men.

## He's Got the Whole World in His Hand

*Unison*

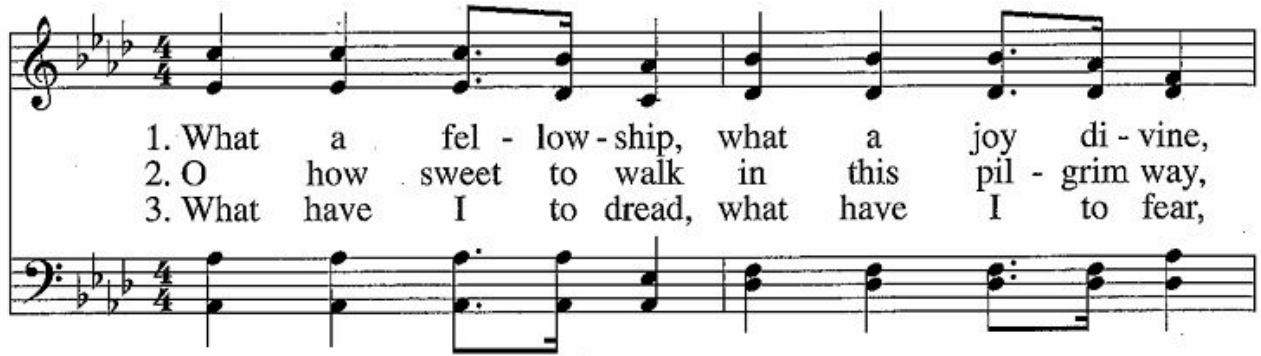
1. He's got the whole world  
 2. He's got the sun and the moon  
 3. He's got the wind and the rain  
 4. He's got the lit - tle bit - ty ba - by  
 5. He's got you and me, broth - er,

in His hand, He's got the whole world  
 in His hand, He's got the sun and the moon  
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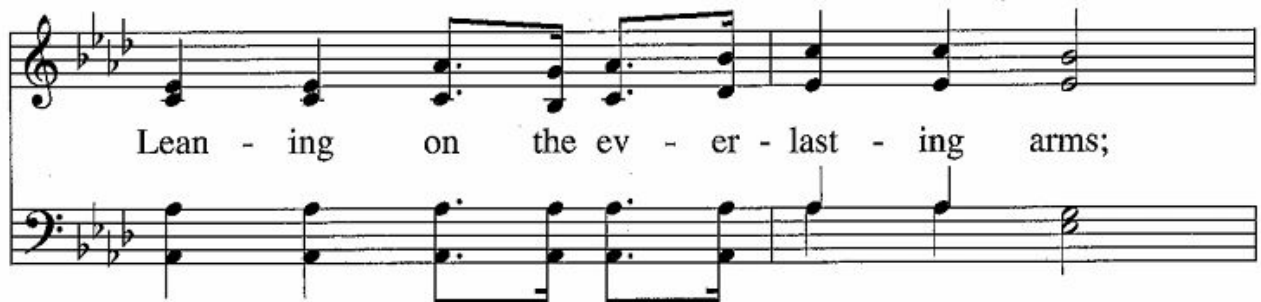
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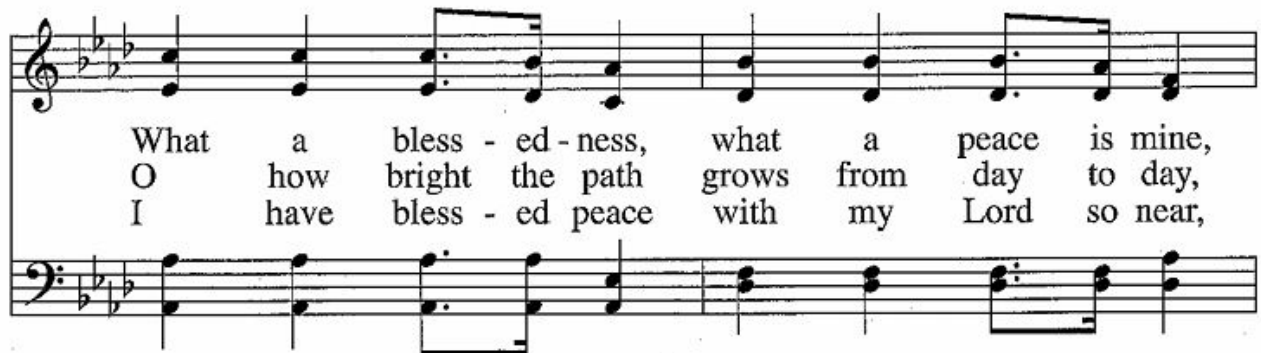
# Leaning on the Everlasting Arms



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,



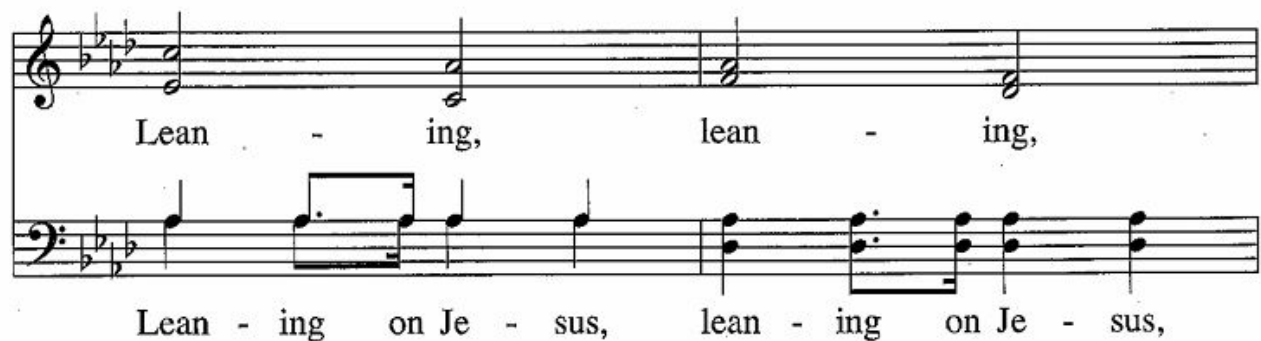
Lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms;



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,

lean - ing, lean - ing on the ev - er - last - ing arms.  
lean - ing on Je - sus,

## 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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