

Cottage Grove United Church of Christ is a Joyful Place to be... making connections, touching lives, and serving Christ.  
We enter the Sanctuary to worship God. We leave the Sanctuary to serve with God.  
(\*All who are able in body and/or spirit are invited to stand)

We Gather to Worship

Countdown Music

“More Precious Than Silver”

By Lynn Deshazo, arr. by Mark Hayes

Gary Afdahl

Gathering Music

“Holy Is The Lord”

By Chris Tomlin, Louie Giglio

CCLI Song # 4158039, CCLI License # 1913200

JC Rock

Ringing of the Bell

Welcome

(If you wish, please type your online greetings/peace to one another in the chat/comment section.)

Opening Prayer

**Holy Lord, we come together today in our many locations and in our many walks of life to spend time in Your presence. Give us eyes to see and ears to hear Your goodness all around us, and teach us to give thanks for the moments of joy and love that You provide to us. We know, and proclaim, that all good things come ultimately from You, O God. Let your holy and sacred love permeate our lives and our hearts, that we may become more like Christ Jesus and show others the unconditional love you lavish upon us. All this we pray in Your name, amen.**

\*An Opening Song of Praise

“Holy, Holy, Holy”

Lyric Sheet

We Listen for God’s Word

Gospel Reading

Psalm 77:12-14

The Gift of Music

“Goodness of God”

By Ben Fielding, Brian Johnson, Ed Cash, Jason Ingram, Jenn Johnson

CCLI Song # 7117726, CCLI License # 1913200

JC Rock

We Learn from God’s Word

“The Forgotten Wisdom of Holiness”

Austin Swayne

\*A Hymn of Faith

“Be Not Dismayed (God Will Take Care of You)”

Lyric Sheet

We Bring Our Tithes and Offerings

An Invitation to Give In-person, Electronically, and by Mail

(In-person guests are invited to place their offerings in the box by the door at the back of the sanctuary. For those who wish to give electronically, a QR Code will be shown during this time in the service where you can connect to CGUCC’s safe and secure online giving site directly by scanning the code with your mobile device.)

We Offer Our Prayers

We Gather and Share Our Prayers and Thanksgivings

(If you would like to, please share your prayer requests online by typing them into the chat/comment section or sending a private message to Pastor Bryan at pastor@cgucc.org)

Austin Swayne

We Pray Together

The Lord’s Prayer

We Go Out to Live and Serve

\*A Song As We Part

“Way Maker”

By Osinachi Kalu, Okoro Egbu

CCLI Song # 7115744, CCLI License # 1913200

Lyric Sheet

(JC Rock Leads)

We Receive A Blessing

Music As We Leave

“What A Friend We Have In Jesus”

By Abbie Parker, Adam Palmer, Matt Maher, Matthew Hein

CCLI Song # 7076507, CCLI License # 1913200

JC Rock

MY NEXT STEP THIS WEEK IS TO...

- ☐ Reflect on a few moments in your life when the perfect thing happened at the perfect time. How did you feel during those experiences? How did they affect you afterwards? Remind yourself that God was in the middle of those experiences, and don’t be afraid to think of them as holy! Be intentional by giving thanks to God when those “draw the circle” moments happen.
- ☐ Pray and give thanks to God each day for all the blessings in your life, and thank God for the goodness that has been put inside of you! Your gifts, talents, abilities, they are *good* and *sacred*. Be sure to practice holiness by using those gifts, talents, and abilities for the Kingdom of God!
- ☐ Make plans to donate blood at the Red Cross blood drive at Cottage Grove UCC on **Thursday, April 29th** from **11:00 am to 5:00 pm**. Appointments can be made by going to [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) and entering the Sponsor Code (CGUCC) or by calling Judy Mellesmoen at 612-280-8050.
- ☐ Give my financial tithes and offerings to the church in-person, electronically, or by mail (7008 Lamar Ave S, Cottage Grove, MN 55016).