Cottage Grove United Church of Christ

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Our Service of Worship

First Sunday after Pentecost June 4, 2023 10:15 am

> Cottage Grove United Church of Christ is a Joyful Place to be... making connections, touching lives, and serving Christ.
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> 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 "He Hides My Soul in the Depths of His Love" Gary Afdahl

By Hugh S. Livingston

"Way Maker" Gathering Music By Osinachi Kalu, Okoro Egbu - CCLI Song # 7115744, 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.)

*An Opening Hymn of Praise

"Gather Us In" By Marty Haugen - One License Song # 00031, One License # A-740865 Lyric Sheet

A Time of Confession and Forgiveness

Prayer of Confession and Assurance of Forgiveness (spoken together)

Words on Screen

A Response of Praise "Doxology" Lyric Sheet, NCH #780

We Listen for God's Word

Scripture Reading Acts 2:43-47, 4:32-37

The Gift of Music "Lifesong" JC Rock

By Mark Hall - CCLI Song # 4578839, CCLI License # 1913200

We Learn from God's Word "Be A Generous Church" Be The Church Message Series

Pastor Bryan Olson

*A Hymn of Faith

"God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending" Lyric Sheet, NCH #565

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.)

Offertory Response

"Give Thanks"

By Henry Smith - CCLI Song # 20285, CCLI License # 1913200

We Receive God's Gifts in Holy Communion

(If you would like to participate in the sacrament at home, please have some bread, crackers, rice cakes, small tortillas, etc. to break and share as well as a cup or cups of juice, wine, or water for each person)

Gathering Our Prayers

Invitation to Christ's Table

Communion Prayer

Words of Remembering (Breaking the bread and filling the cup)

Prayer of Consecration

The Lord's Prayer

Receiving the Elements

Cottage Grove UCC practices open communion. People of all ages who confess Christ as Savior are welcome at Christ's table. Today we will receive communion by intinction. You are invited to come forward down the center aisle, receive the bread or gluten free cracker, dip it into a cup with wine (dark colored) <u>OR</u> grape juice (light colored), eat and receive a blessing. Then return to your seat by a side aisle. Servers will go to the pews of those unable to come forward. Please inform an usher of your desire to receive communion in your pew. Sealed Communion kits (wafer and grape juice) are available in the Gathering Room for those who would like to receive the elements that way.

Communion Music

"Let Us Break Bread Together"

Gary Afdahl

By H. Thomas Manning - One License Song # 995793, One License # A-740865

*Prayer of Thanksgiving (spoken together)

Words on Screen

We Go Out to Live and Serve

'A Song As We Part "Build Your Kingdom Here" By Chris Llewellyn, Gareth Gilkeson, William Herron - CCLI Song # 6186078, CCLI License # 1913200 Lyric Sheet

*We Receive A Blessing

*Music As We Leave

"I Walk By Faith"

By Chris Falson - CCLI Song # 464834, CCLI License # 1913200

JC Rock

NEXT STEPS THIS WEEK...

Refle	ect on and answer the following questions: When you are tempted to hold tight to your time, talents, and treasure, how
can	you remind yourself to release those gifts with a generous and open hand? What will you commit to doing as a member
of t	he church to help ensure all people in our communities have enough healthy and nutritious food to eat?

- ☐ Mark your calendar and make plans to attend the first CGUCC Farmers Market of the season on Thursday, June 22nd from 2:30-6:30 pm. The first Farmers Market bake sale to benefit the mission and ministries of CGUCC will also be held on June 22nd. If you would like to make some delicious goodies and donate them to the bake sale any week during the season, please bring them to the church before 2 pm each Thursday.
- ☐ If you/your family were unable to get your photo taken and would still like to have one included in the new church photo directory, please contact Nancy in the church office at 651-459-1501 before June 15th.
- Give my financial tithes and offerings to the church in person, electronically (using the QR code or at www.cgucc.org), or by mail (7008 Lamar Ave S, Cottage Grove, MN 55016).

