

Cottage Grove United Church of Christ

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Our Service of Worship

April 28, 2024

Fifth Sunday of Easter

10:15 am

*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

"Glorify Thy Name"

JC Rock

By Donna Adkins - CCLI Song # 1383, CCLI License # 1913200

Gathering Music

"There Was Jesus"

JC Rock

By Casey Beathard, Jonathan Smith, Zach Williams - CCLI Song # 7138043, CCLI License # 1913200

Ringling of the Bell

Welcome

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

*An Opening Song of Praise

"Shout to the Lord"

Lyric Sheet

By Darlene Zschech - CCLI Song # 1406918, CCLI License # 1913200

An Opening Prayer (*spoken together*)

Jesus, you are alive and you are with us. Breathe new life into us today. Fill us with enthusiasm and joy, hope and peace. Equip us to minister to others through your Spirit and love. Help us to be fully alive, this day and every day, in the Easter life you have given us. Amen.

We Listen for God's Word

Scripture Reading

Romans 6:1-11

A Gift of Music

"Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)"

JC Rock

By Chris Tomlin, John Newton, Louie Giglio - CCLI Song # 4768151, CCLI License # 1913200

We Learn from God's Word

"Spiritually Alive Christians"
The Easter Life Message Series

Pastor Bryan Olson

*A Song of Faith

"Resurrection Power"

Lyric Sheet

By Ed Cash, Ryan Ellis, Tony Brown - CCLI Song # 7102607, CCLI License # 1913200

We Bring Our Tithes and Offerings

An Opportunity for Fellowship and Fun

Church Picnic

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

(In-person guests are invited to place their offerings in the box 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"

Lyric Sheet

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

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)

We Pray Together

The Lord's Prayer

We Go Out to Live and Serve

*A Song As We Part

"Forever"

Lyric Sheet

By Chris Tomlin - CCLI Song # 3148428, CCLI License # 1913200

*We Receive A Blessing

*Music As We Leave

"I Love You"

Steve Scholl

Music and lyrics by Steve Scholl

NEXT STEPS...

- Intentionally work each day to be a more *spiritually alive* Christian.
- Mark your calendars and plan to attend the **Spring Church Picnic** following worship on **Sunday, May 19th**, and invite your family, friends, and neighbors to join you! There will be a lot of great food, fellowship, fun games for kids, and a cake/dessert walk for kids of all ages to go home with a sweet treat. Delicious fried chicken and beverages will be provided. If you are able, please bring a side dish, salad, and/or dessert to share.
- Donate a sweet treat for the cake/dessert walk at the Spring Church Picnic.
- Volunteer with a team to help plan and lead the games for the children at the Spring Church Picnic.
- Are you new to Cottage Grove UCC or visiting for the first time? Would you like to learn more about the congregation and its mission and ministry and/or receive a phone call from Pastor Bryan? Do you have a prayer request you would like to offer? If so, please complete a **Connection Card** and *place it in the offering box in the back of the sanctuary or hand to an usher.*
- Attend the brief **Quarterly Meeting** of the congregation following worship **TODAY, Sunday, April 28th**. During the meeting, we will highlight our ministry accomplishments since the beginning of the year, outline our objectives for the next quarter, and review the first quarter budget. We look forward to seeing you there!
- 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).

