

Sunday afternoons and some weeknights--Ebenezer Church in the (basement)

Monday: 10:30 a.m. Make sack lunches for Community Sharing (kitchen)

Kitchen Cleanup day is 10:00 Wednesday, March 22, "All Hands on Deck!"

Office Hours at the church are Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, from 10:00 am to 3:00

On Maundy Thursday, April 6, three Cottage Grove churches (the First Presbyterian Church, the United Methodist Church and St. Andrew's Episcopal Church) come together for a simple soup, bread and salad dinner have a joint Tenebrae Service here, at the Methodist church. Again, we share a simple supper and then worship together with a joint communion service. In this way, we prepare for the joy of Easter and Christ's resurrection.

Next Week: March 19, 2023

"In the Presence"

FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT, YEAR A

Scriptures for next week:

1 Samuel 16: 1-13

Ephesians 5: 8-14

Psalms 23

John 9: 1-41

Do you know what it is like to be chosen? Well, you do because you were. Our texts this week are about being chosen by God. Most of us don't think that we were chosen, certainly not to be king like David. But surely, we chose the jobs that we do and the hobbies that we pursue and the service that we perform, didn't we? Well, yes. But God chose too. And not just in the past tense, God is still choosing.

Notes and/or prayer requests: Many members of our body, and / or their families are sick, pray for health and healing from surgeries.



Welcome To

Cottage Grove United Methodist Church

**Worship God - Love People -
Train Disciples -
Serve the Community!**

Lay Minister: Janice Scanlon

Ministers: All Members of the Congregation

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March 12, 2023

— THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT —

Give Me Water

LEARNING TO LIVE INSIDE OUT WORSHIP SERIES



Cottage Grove UMC
Gathering Music
Liturgist

Service for March 12, 2023
Chenye Xiong
Margie Schnirring

Welcome & Announcements

Recite Mission Statement:

*“Worship God, Love People, Train Disciples,
and Serve the Community.”*

Praise Songs: “All I Need Is You” **TFWS # 2080**
(Sing all 3 verses)
“Oh Lord, You’re Beautiful” **TFWS # 2064**
(Sing 2 verses)
“You Are My Hiding Place” **TFWS # 2055**
(Sing 2 times)

*** Opening Prayer** **Liturgist**

Responsive Reading:

Liturgist: Welcome fellow pilgrims on the way to the cross.

Response: We are learning to follow Jesus.

Liturgist: The way is long, and we are thirsty.

Response: We seek the living waters of Jesus.

Liturgist: We feel the weight of scarcity warring with hopeful
whispers of abundance,

Response: We need the living waters of Jesus.

Liturgist: We wonder if God will provide us with what we
need, here and now.

**Response: As God gives us the living waters of Jesus, so
God calls us to quench the thirst and meet the needs of our
neighbors.**

Liturgist: Pilgrims on the way, come let us worship God!

**All: We come to worship God as we learn to live inside
out! Amen.**

Song: “Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me” **UMH # 361**
(Sing Verses 1, 2, 4)

Message: “Give me water!” Lay Minister, Janice Scanlon

Readings: Genesis 12:1-4PB # 124

John 3:1-17PB # 1649

Message followed by one minute of meditative silence and prayer

Song: “Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah” **UMH # 139**

Prayers of the People & The Lord’s Prayer Marlene Leith

Closing Song: “Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing” ... UMH # 671
(Sing Verses 1 & 2)

Parting Blessing:..... Lay Minister, Janice Scanlon

Music for Departure:Chenye Xiong

**Following the worship service, everyone is invited
to the Friendship Hall for refreshments.**

*** Please stand if you are able**

UMH: The United Methodist Hymnal

TFWS: The Faith We Sing

PB: Pew Bible