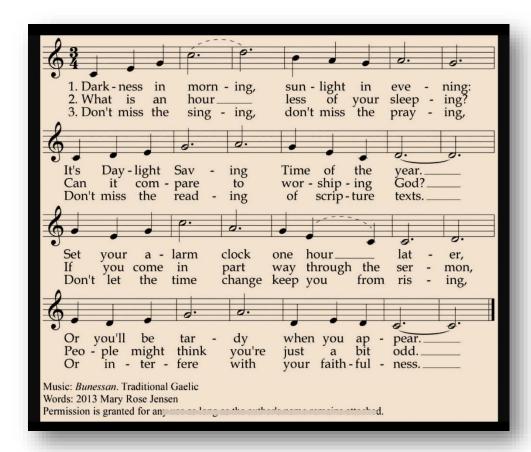
# SALEM UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, DENVER

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March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023

**Third Sunday in Lent** 

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\*All are invited to stand in body or spirit.

PRELUDE Isabella Ashton, Piano

WELCOME AND PASSING OF THE PEACE

RINGING OF THE BELL

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Turn the tap and water comes out.

All: Clean, refreshing water quenches our thirst.

One: Stop at the market, twist open the cap.

All: Spring water crosses our lips, and our craving is satisfied.

One: Step outdoors. Look up.

All: The clouds dampen our faces and nourish the earth.

One: Jesus answered, "Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again."

All: After a time, we all thirst again.

One: "but whoever drinks from the water that I will give will never be thirsty again. The water that I give will become in those who drink it a spring of water that bubbles up into eternal life."

All: Please give us this water, that we may never be thirsty again.

One: Come see the one who turns our thinking and our world upside down. Come see and experience the love that knows no bounds.

All: Praise be to God!

One: Praise be to Jesus, whose life draws from the well of God's dreams.

All: Praise be to Jesus, whose love and justice quenches our thirst with living water. Amen. ~ written by Tim Graves

\*OPENING HYMN

Guide Me O My Great Redeemer

NCH #19

SCRIPTURE READING

Exodus 17:1-7

### UNISON PRAYER

O God, we gather at your waters, as a crowd gathers on the beach on a sweltering, summer day. O God, we drink at your fountain, as a parched dog laps at the fresh, running water of a creek. O God, we await your refreshment, as a tired worker watches for the change of shift. Quench our thirst, satisfy our longings. May we be refreshed and restored in you; and teach us where to find the bucket and how to carry it so that we might draw that water for those who most need it. AMEN.

— written by Anita Monro

SCRIPTURE READING

John 4:5-29

**Dustin Adkins** 

One: The word of God for the People of God

All: Thanks be to God!

MESSAGE Dustin Adkins

OFFERING INVITATION Dustin Adkins

OFFERTORY Isabella Ashton

\*DOXOLOGY Hymnal #780

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise God all creatures here below, Praise God for all that Love has done, Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One. Amen

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND SILENT PRAYER PASTORAL PRAYER

**Dustin Adkins** 

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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

HYMN OF RESPONSE

Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

NCH #596

ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH

**Dustin Adkins** 

**POSTLUDE** 

Isabella Ashton, Piano



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Ani Martinez • Music Director: Isabella Ashton



### THIS WEEK AT SALEM

MONDAY	$7:00  \mathrm{PM}$	BOY SCOUTS
TUESDAY	<b>10:00</b> AM <b>7:00</b> PM 7:00 PM	ZOOM BIBLE STUDY WORSHIP/CE ZOOM MEETING CUB SCOUTS
WEDNESDAY	6:00 PM 7:00 PM	COMMUNITY MEAL LENTEN DISCUSSION
FRIDAY	9:00 AM	ART CLASS
SATURDAY	10:00 AM	COMMUNITY FOOD DRIVE
SUNDAY	<b>9:30 AM</b> 3:00 PM	WORSHIP CHRIST THE KING

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- Pi Day Potluck Join us after worship!
- Worship/CE Zoom meeting Tuesday March 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm.
- March Mission Archway Food Drive Community Drop-off on March 18<sup>th</sup> 10-1 pm.
- March 26<sup>th</sup> Congregational Meeting 10:30 am.