Nurture Hour

Sunday school begins at 11:00 a.m. and ends at 12:00 p.m. First enjoy a time of fellowship after the worship service.

- INFANTS & TODDLERS (ages 0-2) Cherub corner ٠
- PRESCHOOL I (age 3) Joyful class
- PRESCHOOL II (age 4) Forgiveness class •
- PRIMARY (grade K-2) Peaceful class .
- MIDDLER (grade 3-5) Gentleness class
- JUNIOR YOUTH JYF (grades 5-7) off Jubilee Hall
- HIGH SCHOOL MYF (grades 8-12) off Jubilee Hall
- COLLEGE Library ٠
- YOUNG ADULT off Jubilee Hall
- ADULTS •
 - . Better than a Donut - end of hallway
 - New Life Stage (for people in their 30's and 40's) sanctuary
 - Colossian Forum (closed group) Dan's office
 - Sermon Response between Jubilee hall and Marilyn's office
 - Women's Bible Study music room
 - Wrestling with Our National Reality sanctuary

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Lent 3: Restore us, O God! We thirst.

Focus statement: Our bodies know the desperate need for water: we cannot survive without it. Likewise, our deepest selves are parched and yearn to be drenched in God's love. God, who is Love, guenches our thirst so that we can live into the fullness of life.

Gathering for Worship

Songs

<i>Come, let us all unite to sing</i>	blue, 12
A wonderful Savior is Jesus	blue, 598
Rain down	green, 49

Call to Worship

Leader: In a dry and weary land,

All: restore us, O God.

Leader: Parched and depleted,

All: restore us, O God.

Leader: Longing for your living water,

All: restore us, O God.

Leader: We thirst.

Receive our worship as a sign of our yearning for you.

Hearing God's Word

Song: Will the Children?	insert
Children's Time	Merrill Krabill
Offering	

Confession and Words of Assurance

- Leader: O God, you are the living Water. You restore us to life. We confess that in the desert moments of our lives we forget your faithfulness. Our bodies grow tired; our hearts dry up. Our minds become clouded and we do not remember that you are our deliverer.
- People: When we see the dryness behind and before us, we quarrel among ourselves and burden one another. We cry out: "Is the Lord even among us?"
- Leader: Forgive us, O Lord,

for in the harshness of life's desert journey we quickly focus on ourselves. We forget that you have been, you are, and you will forever be our deliverer.

People: Restore in us a remembering spirit, that we may hope in you again. Renew our hearts, O Lord. Make us generous in our praise, that we may worship you anew!

(Pause for silent confession)

- Leader: God, our living Water,
- All: restore us.
- Leader: Let all who thirst, come. Come and drink from the living Water. Let all who have nothing, come to the Lord. Come—without money or price. Come and draw freely from the well of our Lord, which will never run dry.

Song: You are all we have Scripture: John 4:5-42 Sermon: "We Thirst"

green, 29

Marilyn Rudy-Froese

Responding

Liturgical dance	Laura Moshier, Ellie Wenger, Emily Krabill
Song: <i>O let all who thirst</i>	blue, 495
Ritual of Water	
Congregational Sharing and Pr	ayer Judy Weaver

Transition to Fellowship and Sunday School

Welcome & Introduction of Visitors (*Please pass the friendship registers.*)
Volunteer Forms Leadership Discernment Team Announcements
Song: *Go, my children* blue, 433
Sending Words: *Revived by God's thirst-quenching love, go from this place to live the good news of Love in the world.*

Worship Participants:

Worship Leader: Lois Mast Song Leader: Jenny Hooley Accompanist: Patsy Sherer Offertory: Patsy Sherer Ushers: Elijah and Priscillah Metekai AV Operator: Michael Sherer Visuals: Merrill Krabill

Hearing assistance devices are available in the room beside the doors to the sanctuary. Please see the A/V operator if you would like one.

We offer childcare during worship after children's time for infants & toddlers. Children under 2 years of age may go to the Cherub Corner room, while 2 and 3 year olds may go to the MYF room.

Infant Care: Sara Alvarez, Bev and Dave Krabill Toddler Care: Shirley Dick, Clare and Merrill Krabill