

*Childcare is available for infants and toddlers in our nursery. Coloring and activity pages for the children are refreshed each week and can be found in the basket in the entrance/narthex by the food shelf. Feel free to move to the couches or back pews if you'd like more room to move around, play on the farm rug or color on the floor.*

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**Following worship...**

**Join us in Amistad Hall for coffee, conversation and community or...**

**Adult Education--Recognition. and Love Your Enemy led by Adult Education--Love Your Enemy with Bruce Goya and Charlie Webster.** We will start to explore Step 12 of the *12 Steps to a Compassionate Life*.

**We invite you to support the mission and ministry of the church.** You may give online at [www.chucc.org](http://www.chucc.org), in person with cash or check in the basket at the back of the sanctuary or by text to 503-212-9361. Thank you in advance for your generosity. ***Your presence here today is a blessing.***

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## Cedar Hills United Church of Christ

An Open and Affirming Church

No matter *who* you are or *where* you are on life's journey,  
You're welcome *here*!



January 28, 2024  
Listening Session One

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Please take some time during the prelude to transition between *getting here* and *being here*. \*Asterisks indicate please rise in body or spirit.

**Bold print – everyone speaks    *Bold italic – everyone sings***

## PRELUDE

### WELCOME AND LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Sue Hiscox

#### \*CENTERING MUSIC

*Slow me down (echo)*

*Still my restless mind...*

*Quell my fears...*

*Quench my thirsty soul...*

*Fill me with your love...*

*God of Truth...*

*God of Love...*

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Mark 1)

Sue Hiscox

Jesus entered the synagogue and taught them.

**And the people were astounded because he taught with authority.**

But Jesus helped open up something new within them.

**You see, they were accustomed to things being a certain way...**

Some found Jesus and his words threatening.

**It was like an unclean Spirit of Fear amongst them.**

“Come out!” Jesus cried.

**And, with some convulsions, the congregation found a new spirit.**

#### \*HYMN #386 The Church’s One Foundation vs. 1-3

#### \*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Sue Hiscox

By lighting the peace candle, we commit ourselves to the peace that Jesus taught and lived. Just as the risen Christ greeted his disciples saying, “Peace be with you,” let us greet one another in mutual love – beginning with a welcoming wave to those online.

#### SINGING THE CHILDREN FORWARD

*I’ve got peace like a river, I’ve got peace like a river, I’ve got peace like a river in my soul (2xs)*

*I’ve got joy like a fountain...*

#### TIME WITH CHILDREN

Amy Norden

Following the children’s moment, children are invited to Sunday School. If you are here for the first time, please accompany your child to the beginning of class.

#### SCRIPTURE Mark 1:21-28

#### LISTENING SESSION #1

Your Host: Pastor Don

2. Describe the culture of your congregation and how is your congregation different from churches or other denominations in your neighborhood?

5. Why do people join your congregation and why don’t people join your congregation?

6. Which parts of your church life are calling cards for your congregation?

8. What issues of faith are engaging your congregation?

a. What excites people theologically?

b. What are members of your congregation “tired” of? Why?

#### \*HYMN# 393 Blest Be the Tie That Binds vs. 1,2

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Sue Hiscox

#### LORD’S PRAYER (debts)

**Our Father and Mother, 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 debts as we forgive our debtors.**

**Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory**

**Forever. Amen.**

#### \*HYMN #393 Blest Be the Tie That Binds vs. 3,4

#### \*BLESSING

Pastor Don

