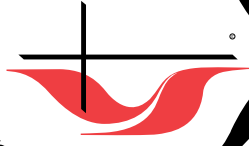


Court Street



11th Sunday after Pentecost
August 24, 2014

Rev. Calvin Cuspepper
Pastor

TODAY'S WORSHIP

Greeter: Barb Adam

Ushers: The Sue Cram Team

Liturgist: Richard Wang

Sound Tech: Brian King

Van Driver: Bob Lutmer

Fellowship Hostesses:

Geri Ryan & Judy Mehren

Guest Speaker: Julia Schade Armstrong

Guest Musician: Mark Nelson

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“The Luminous Web”

Call to Worship:

Leader: We have come to this holy place to worship God; yet a sanctuary is not always built by human hands.

***People:* Everywhere I go is a sanctuary; every place a time to worship God!**

Leader: When we live as if this planet and all creation, even ourselves, is a sanctuary ~ a holy place full of the Creator’s presence ~ we walk differently upon this earth.

***People:* I am always on sacred ground. I must move with reverence through all creation, and I enter this holy place now to worship God!**

Opening Hymn UMH #89

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

Altar Flowers are given...



...in honor of all teachers
by Georgalee George.



We welcome you, member or visitor, as we join in worshipping God this morning. We pray you will be blessed and invite you to return!

Parents: For your child’s safety, you must sign in and sign out your child in

the Nursery. Please see Ms. Ryanne or Ms. Diane in the Nursery to do so.

Methodist Monday 8/25 reminder:

Karen Brown & Barb Ring

If you enjoy singing, you too can join Chancel Choir for people ages 14 and up. Chancel Choir leads the congregational hymns and offers an anthem in response to the week’s scripture or sermon nearly every Sunday. We sing a variety of styles, accompanied and a cappella, from many different eras. **Choir rehearsals begin Tuesday, August 26, 7 pm-8:30 pm, in the Choir Room on the Lower Level.** Come and try it!

Knitting Group ~ Don’t forget our salad supper on Tuesday, August 26, 6:00 pm (instead of our usual 6:15), at Jan Mace’s home, 4250 Ahlstrand Dr.

All families are invited to a **Back-to-School Bonfire** on Saturday, August 30, from 4-8 pm at 6642 Tipperary Trail, Roscoe. See Nate for more information.

Did you know that play is good for you?! You're invited to a Young Adult play day at Hononegah Forest Preserve. We will play games, eat great food, goof off, and enjoy nature; with no agenda! Bring a picnic lunch and join us Saturday, August 30, at 11:00 am.

Do you want to learn more about God and His faithfulness? The best way to learn is to teach! We need Sunday School teachers and assistants for ALL ages! Please grab Nate and say you're interested in helping!

God has given each of us different spiritual gifts. Do you know what yours are? If you are interested in figuring out what your gifts are, and learning how you can use them at CSUMC, please contact Nate Merchant, our Christian Education Director. Gifts are meant to be enjoyed. Nate can help you figure out how you can enjoy your gifts right here!

Do you care deeply for others? Do you value the deep and abiding friendships that blossom from Christian relationships? Then our new Amity Ministry needs YOU! Utilizing strategies from existing programs such as Stephen's and Barnabas, Amity will focus on the development of intra-congregational relationships to help the most vulnerable among us. Amity is a ministry of friendship, presence, and solidarity. Participants will receive training on topics including healthy boundaries, active listening, and servant leadership. Given the nature of our busy lives, Amity Ministry trainings will be offered in a day-long format with periodic refresher courses. The first training is scheduled for Saturday, September 20 from 9:00 – 2:30. A light breakfast, lunch, and snack will be provided. Please see Ana Kelsey-Powell with any questions and register with the church office ASAP.

Rally Day is closer than you think! And that means the beginning of Sunday School! September 7 we will start Sunday School for all ages by 9am. Free nursery for children under age 6. And there will be an ice-cream party after church in the youth lounge where students in grades K-8 can sign up for FREE tutoring.

Seven exciting Small Group Studies are available now for you to sign up and learn. Please see the display and sign-up sheets in the Narthex. Choices: "Here After," "Beyond the Broken Heart," "When Work & Family Collide," "Greater," "New Testament for Everyone," "I Love Growing Older, But I'll Never Grow Old," and "Why Nobody Wants to Go to Church Anymore."

Holy COW (Church On Wednesday)! starts Sept. 10!

Court St. United Methodist Church

at Work This Week

Today 11th Sunday after Pentecost

08/24 10:00 am Worship in the Sanctuary

11:15 Fellowship Time

2:00 pm JFON Clinic

Mon 08/25 METHODIST MONDAY

8:00 am MAYA's House

9:00 SAFE Program

4:00 pm Rosecrance

6:00 Gamblers Anonymous

Tue 08/26 8:00 am MAYA's House

9:00 Quilters

9:00 History & Archives

9:00 "Busy Bag" Ladies

9:00 SAFE Program

10:30 Staff Meeting

4:00 pm Rosecrance

6:00 Knitting Group

7:00 Chancel Choir

7:00 Grace Awakening

Wed 08/27 8:00 am MAYA's House

9:00 SAFE Program

9:30 Early Head Start

4:00 pm Rosecrance

7:00 Men's Fellowship

Thu 08/28 8:00 am MAYA's House

9:00 SAFE Program

9:30 Early Head Start

1:00 pm Chimes stuffing

4:00 Rosecrance

Fri 08/29 8:00 am MAYA's House

9:00 SAFE Program

10:00 Early Head Start

10:00 Image Class

Sat 08/30 11:00 am Young Adults Play Day

@ Hononegah Forest Pres.

4:00 pm Family event - Back-to-School

Bonfire at 6642 Tipperary

Trail, Roscoe

Sunday 12th Sunday after Pentecost

08/31 10:00 am Worship in the Sanctuary

11:15 Fellowship Time