

Parents -Please escort your children to the restrooms.

Thank you.

Please sign registration sheets and pass to others in your pew.  
If you are visiting, we welcome you and ask that you leave information so that we might be in contact with you.

§ Denotes when to stand as you are able

## WE GATHER to be NURTURED

Prelude "Sacred Medley" ~ L.B. Combs & J.B.F. Wright

Ringing of the Bell

### § Call to Worship

Leader: The Lord is doing a new thing!

People: **The Spirit is blowing.**

**God is breathing new life in us.**

Leader: The Lord is doing a new thing!

People: **The old ways served their purposes,  
but a different chapter is beginning.**

Leader: The Lord is doing a new thing!

People: **We were not meant to remain the same.**

**God intends for us to grow and change.**

Leader: The Lord is doing a new thing!

People: **We want to be part of it!**

All: **Praise God! The Lord is doing a new thing!**

### § Opening Hymn UMH #732 "Come, We That Love the Lord"

Sharing of Joys and Concerns Rev. Calvin Culpepper  
Prayers of the People

## WE ARE NURTURED by GOD'S WORD

Scripture Lesson - Old Testament p. 279 2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10

Leader: This is the Word of God for the People of God.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

### Psalter Response

"In the City Belonging to Our God"

Psalm 48

Please follow the screens.

Hymn FWS #2129 "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"

Children's Message "S'mores" James L. Crow

Hymn FWS #2026 "Halle, Halle, Halleluja"

Scripture Lesson - New Testament p. 185 2 Corinthians 12:2-10

Leader: This is the Good News of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

People: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Sermon "God Formation" Rev. Calvin Culpepper

Hymn of Response UMH #399 "Take My Life, and Let It Be"

## WE RESPOND to GOD'S WORD

Please turn to page 12 in the front of The United Methodist Hymnal.

Offering Our Gifts and Our Selves

Offertory "We Thank Thee, Lord Jesus" ~ D. Buxtehude

§ **Doxology #94 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"**

Please remain standing as you are able.

## The SERVICE of WORD and TABLE

We will use Musical Setting A on p. 17 for the sung responses.

The communion bread served is gluten-free  
so that all may partake of the Holy Sacrament.

Communion

## WE ARE SCATTERED to SERVE

§ Hymn of Sending Forth UMH #581

"Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service"

§ Benediction

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face to shine upon you  
and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

Patriotic Benediction Response

"God Bless America"

~ Irving Berlin

Postlude

"Rondeau"

~ Mouret

Fellowship in the Dining Room.....

to celebrate Lynn Davis' 95th birthday.  
All are welcome to join in the celebration!

We thank Timm Adams  
for sharing his musical gifts with us today.

We thank Rev. Miriam Castro-Rodriguez  
for assisting with communion today.



Altar Flowers are given...

...in celebration of our 60th wedding anniversary  
by Bill & Betty Doran.



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!

7/6 Methodist Monday Reminder: **Jim Crow**

Softball team plays Tuesday, July 7, 7pm, LP2 at Loves Park Playground, 5101 Louisa St.

We will be playing Centennial UM Church.

Need a ride to next Sunday's Worship? Please call Tim Gorman, 815-636-0514, by 6:00 pm next Saturday, July 11th, if you need a ride for Sunday, July 12th.

Check out the FUN August Activities for our young people ----

Vacation Bible School ~ One day only, Saturday, August 1st, we will have a special VBS from 9am to 1pm, including lunch. Free for all children ages 5-12. Registration forms are available in our office.

2015 Christian Performing Arts Camp & Performance ~ Calling all students in grades 3-12! Plan now to attend this wonderful week, August 3 - 7, 9am - 2:30pm, of training in the performing arts disciplines including chorus, drama, and prop/costume design, culminating in a musical performance of Christ's parables in the 10am Sunday Worship on August 9th. Clinicians include James L. Crow and Dorothy Paige-Turner. Cost is \$20 per student which includes lunch. Registration deadline is July 19th. Forms are available in the church office.

Anyone in 1st grade through 8th grade is invited to come to the Praisin' & Prayin' Puppet Project happening at Court Street UMC from August 10th thru the 14th, 9am to 11:30am, with a performance on Sunday, August 16th, at our 10am worship service. Only \$10 per student, you do not have to be a member to participate. Scholarships are available for those who need them.

A free Performing Arts Camp for 3rd-5th Graders featuring dance, music, & drama! "Araminta: the Life of Harriet Tubman" is a musical which participants will work on from August 10th thru the 14th and 17th thru the 22nd, 1pm-5pm, at the Nordlof Center, 118 N. Main St., with performances on Friday, August 21, 7pm and Saturday, August 22, 2pm & 7pm. For more information, go to: [connect2peace.org/araminta-the-life-of-harriet-tubman-project/](http://connect2peace.org/araminta-the-life-of-harriet-tubman-project/). Registration forms are available in our church office.

Looking for a small group to help with...

# SCRIP!

Did you know that each year the SCRIP program raises about \$4,000 for Court Street United Methodist Church? We are looking for a few good men and women to help Court Street by working on SCRIP. If we get a small group of volunteers, we can spread the work around to help keep this program as a successful fund-raiser. If you are interested, please contact Ken Whitmore at (815) 979-8544 or Gene Ferry at (815) 965-6518.

**TODAY'S WORSHIP**

**Greeters:** Stan & Joan Tunnell      **Liturgist:** Dick Wang  
**Ushers:** The Sandra Gregory Team      **SoundTech:** Stan Tunnell  
**Video Tech:** Steve Ripley      **Van Driver:** Dan Boon  
**Fellowship Hostesses:** Geri Ryan & Judy Mehren

**Court St. United Methodist Church at Work This Week**

**Sunday 6th Sunday after Pentecost/Independence Sunday**

**07/05 10:00 Worship in the Sanctuary**  
**11:15 Fellowship in the Dining Room**

**Mon 07/06 METHODIST MONDAY**

9:00 am MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103

**Tue 07/07 9:00 am** MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103

9:00 Quilters in Room 206  
9:00 History & Archives in Room 201  
9:00 "Ugly Bag" Ladies in Room 205  
10:30 Staff Meeting in Staff Conference Room  
**7:00 pm Softball Game @ Loves Park Playground,**  
**5101 Louisa St., LP**  
7:00 Grace Awakening in Room 205 & 209

**Wed 07/08 9:00 am** MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103

9:30 Early Head Start in Room 100 & the Parlor  
6:30 pm Set up/serve Women's Crisis Center Meal  
**7:00 Men's Group at someone's home**

**Thu 07/09 9:00 am** MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103

9:30 Early Head Start in Room 100  
2:30 pm Early Head Start in Room 100  
6:00 Chatterbox Supper Group at Lone Star  
6690 E. State  
6:00 Vocal Rehearsal in the Chapel

**Fri 07/10 9:00 am** MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103

10:00 Early Head Start in Room 100  
10:00 Image Class in the Library  
1:30 pm Early Head Start in Room 100

**Sat 07/11 8:30 am UMM Breakfast @ Stockholm Inn,**  
**2420 Charles St.**

**Sunday 7th Sunday after Pentecost**

**07/12 10:00 Worship in the Sanctuary**  
**11:15 Fellowship in the Narthex**

**Sunday, July 12th, we will be taking a special offering to help us meet our Apportionment.** There will be an insert to help you understand the importance of this offering. You may make your check out to CSUMC with "Apportionment" on the memo line.

**MINISTRY STAFF AT COURT STREET**

The Congregation      *Ministers*  
Calvin Culpepper      *Pastor*  
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Steven Rogers      *Custodian*

**Communion Special offering** - The Local Mission Committee will report what they do with your monthly contributions in The Chimes. Your contributions the 1st Sunday of every month at Communion will be greatly appreciated to further our local outreach.

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**WELCOME!**      July 5, 2015

*We're glad you're worshipping with us this morning! Please fill out this card if you are a visitor to our church or if you have changed your address or phone number. Place completed card in the offering plate as it is passed.*

*I'm a visitor.*

*Please note my address change.*

Name (s): Mr./Mrs./Miss/Ms. \_\_\_\_\_

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How did you hear about Court Street? \_\_\_\_\_

Children:

Name \_\_\_\_\_ age \_\_\_\_\_ grade \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ age \_\_\_\_\_ grade \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ age \_\_\_\_\_ grade \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (h) \_\_\_\_\_ (w) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

If you do not wish to keep any part or all of your bulletin at the the end of service, please give it back to an usher and we will recycle it.  
Thank you for helping our environment!



**ORDER OF WORSHIP**  
10:00 WORSHIP SERVICE



**God Formation**

*Welcome to Court Street United Methodist Church*

We are a people called United Methodists.  
Open Hearts    Open Minds    Open Doors

The mission of Court Street United Methodist Church is to be a welcoming, nurturing, and serving community of Christ.

*6th Sunday after Pentecost/Independence Sunday*  
July 5, 2015