Parents -Please escort your children to the restrooms. Thank you.

§ Denotes when to stand as you are able

WE GATHER to be NURTURED

Prelude "Blest Be the Tie that Binds" ~ Ludwig Lenel

Ringing of the Bell

Please sign registration sheets and pass to others in your pew.

§ Call to Worship

Leader: Come near, all of you here, for Christ is with us.

People: Christ Jesus welcomes us here with love.

Leader: Come near, all of you, for Christ has come to us

with forgiving and renewing love.

People: God's love comes to us now

in this time of praise and celebration.

All: We have come here in this holy place to celebrate life

in God's abundance and to know God's redeeming love for our lives.

§ Opening Hymn TFWS #2130

Verse 1: All Verse 4: Women

Verse 2: Women Verse 5: All

Verse 3: Men

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Rev. Calvin Culpepper

"The Summons"

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer, UMH #895

WE ARE NURTURED by GOD'S WORD

Scripture Lesson - New Testament p. 197 Philippians 2:1-11

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

People: Thanks be to God.

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

Children's Message "Give Your All" James L. Crow

Hymn FWS #2026 "Halle, Halle, Halleluja"

Scripture Lesson - New Testament p. 215 Titus 3:3-7

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

People: Glory to you, O Lord.

Sermon "Worshiping While We Walk in the Wesleyan Way"

Justification by Faith Rev. Calvin Culpepper

WE RESPOND to GOD'S WORD

Choral Response

"Come Down, O Love Divine" ~ Ralph Vaughan Williams

Offering Our Gifts and Our Selves
Offertory

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" ~ Heinrich Fleischer

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

WE ARE SCATTERED to SERVE

§ Hymn of Sending Forth UMH #385

"Let Us Plead for Faith Alone" Sung to the tune EASTER HYMN

§ Benediction

Go forth, children of God, as people who are forgiven and who have much love to share with those who have yet to sense their forgiveness. And may the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you and rest upon you and upon those you love. *Amen.*

Postlude "Fugue A La Gigue" ~ Dietrich Buxtehude

Fellowship in the Narthex

Join us **on Wednesday, October 21st, at 7:00 p.m.** at the Cathedral of St. Peter, 1243 N. Church St. for a time of prayerful meditation and introspection in the spirit of Taizé. All are welcome to come and enjoy a peaceful time in which you can just sit and listen or participate as you feel moved.

We are so blessed to stay in the downtown area for another year and reach out to our neighbors. Because we realize how blessed we are, we are consecrating our gifts back to God next Sunday, October 25th, and celebrating with a potluck lunch after worship. Bring a dish to share and join in the fun! Table service and beverages will be provided. Don't forget to bring your pledge card to worship!

Attend Rockford District Lay Academy on Oct. 24 & 25 at Christ UMC, 4509 Highcrest Rd., for only \$45 and learn about the Bible, how to pray, or about our heritage. See the bulletin board outside the church office or go to www.umcnic.org/rockfordlayacademy2015.

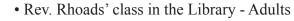
Invite your friends and neighbors to our Hallelujah Harvest on Friday, October 30th, from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the church dining room. After eating chili and hot dogs, we will play the Spiderweb game, be entertained by John Meyers, the magician, and do lots more, all for only a free-will donation. You can even wear costumes if you want! Come for a great time of food, fun, and fellowship.

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

IT'S NOT TOO LATE to learn how and why we started as Methodists and what we believe. Join us either in the parlor today at 11:30 a.m. or this Wednesday, October 21st, at 4:30 p.m., in the Dining Room. If you need a book, please call the church office.

CROP Hunger Walk Is Today ~ Thank you for participating today in the 2015 CROP Hunger Walk. If you have made a contribution, you are a participant. If you have received contributions as one who will walk today, please bring your envelopes to The Riverfront Museum Park, 711 N. Main, at 1 PM to register. The walk steps off at 2 PM. T-shirts await all who raised \$100 and gift certificates of all sorts await those who raised \$250 or more.

Holy COW (Church On Wednesday)! on Oct. 21st! 4:00 - 5:30 p.m.



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• Rev. Wang leads "John Wesley: Holiness of Heart & Life" in the Dining Room - only 3 books are left in the office!

5:30 - 6:00 p.m.

- Dinner by Diane in the Dining Room for only \$3.50/person **6:00 7:00 p.m.**
 - Men's Fellowship Group in the Parlor

You are invited to join Rockford Urban Ministries on Thursday, October 22, beginning at 7:00 p.m., at Court Street United Methodist Church, 215 N Court, for a program lead by Christopher Pierson, Director of Connectional Ministries of the United Methodist Church who will speak about prisons and prison ministry; and George Hofstetter, Executive Director of Rockford Reach Out Jail Ministry, who will explain their new outreach for returning citizens. The meeting will focus on prison overcrowding and on specific programs that allow churches to receive the "returning citizen" from the prison systems, welcoming them back into the community, mentoring, and assisting in their spiritual and physical needs. This program is free and open to the public.

All adults are welcome to come to Sunday School next Sunday, October 25th. We will meet in Room 209 on the 2nd floor.

Scrip is back! Cards from the 25 "top selling" businesses are now available on a Cash & Carry basis. If what you want is not one of the Cash & Carry cards, you can still order from the more complete order form, and your cards will be available in one-to-three weeks. Payment is requested at the time of ordering. Start thinking/planning now for Christmas gift giving. Purchasing cards or ordering can be done before or after the 10:00 service. The church office will have the Cash & Carry cards available during the week.

TODAY'S WORSHIP

Greeters: Mike & Peggy Olderbak Liturgist: Randiann King **Ushers:** The Stanis Team **Sound Tech:** Ryan Welk Video Tech: Steve Ripley Van Driver: Bob Lutmer

Fellowship Hostesses: Geri Ryan & Judy Mehren

Court St. United Methodist Church at Work This Week

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Sunday 21st Sunday after Pentecost/CROP Walk					
10/18	9:00 am	Lamplighters in Room 209			
	9:00	Sunday School in Room 104/Nursery			
	10:00	Worship in the Sanctuary			
	11:15 11:15	Fellowship Time in the Narthex Children's Choir in Choir Room			
	11:15				
	11:30	Christian Ed in the Youth Lounge			
		John Wesley Study in the Parlor JFON Clinic on 2nd Floor			
	2:30 pm 4:00	CSUMC Book Club @ 4250 Ahlstrand Dr.			
Mon 10/19		MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103			
Tue 10/20	9:00 am	MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103			
1uc 10/20	9:00 am	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			
	11:00	Adult Computers in Computer Lab, 2nd Floor			
	5:00 pm	SPRC in the Parlor			
	5:30	Council Choraleers in the Chapel			
	6:00	JuBellation Rehearsal in the Choir Room			
	7:00	Chancel Choir in the Choir Room			
	7:00	Grace Awakening in Room 202 & 209			
Wed 10/21	9:00 am	MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103			
	9:30	Early Head Start in Room 100			
	9:30	Early Head Start CPR in the Parlor			
	4:00 pm	Holy COW! SEE ANNOUNCEMENTS			
	6:00	Taizé Ensemble @ St. Peter's Cathedral			
	7:00	Taizé Service @ St. Peter's Cathedral,			
		1243 N. Church St.			
Thu 10/22	9:00 am	MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103			
	9:30	Early Head Start in Room 100			
	1:00 pm	Chimes stuffing in the Library			
	5:00	Thanksgiving Committee in the Library			
	7:00	RUM Prison Ministry Meeting in the Parlor			
Fri 10/23	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 10/24					
•	•	after Pentecost/Consecration Sunday			
10/25	9:00 am	Lamplighters in Room 209			
	9:00	Sunday School in Room 104/Nursery			
	10:00	Worship in the Sanctuary			
	11:15	Consecration Potluck in the Dining Room			
	11:15	Children's Choir in Choir Room			
	11:30	John Wesley Study in the Parlor			
	1:00 pm	Praisin' & Prayin' Puppets			
	1:00	Youth Homework 2nd Floor Computer Lab			
	2:00	Dowel Rod Ministry in the Youth Center			
	3:00	Youth Group in the Youth Lounge			

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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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E-mail

October 18, 2015

We're glad you're worshiping 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.

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l'm a visitor.						
Please note my address change.						
Name (s): Mr./Mrs./Miss/Ms.						
How did you hear about Court Street?						
Children:						
Name	age	grade				
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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!

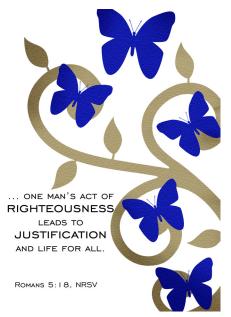
ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:00 WORSHIP SERVICE

Worshiping While

We

Walk...

...in the Wesleyan Way



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.

> 21st Sunday after Pentecost October 18, 2015