

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

§ Denotes when to stand as you are able

WE GATHER to be NURTURED

Prelude Prelude and Fugue in Eb major ~ J.S. Bach

Ringing of the Bell

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

§ Call to Worship

Leader: O living Christ, you changed Cana's water
into festal wine.

People: Transform our common worship into celebration,

Leader: that we may taste your glory here and now
and anticipate that heavenly banquet

All: where we shall behold your face forever. Amen.

§ Opening Hymn UMH #384 "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

Sharing of Joys and Concerns *Rev. Calvin Culpepper*

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer, UMH# 895

WE ARE NURTURED by GOD'S WORD

Scripture Lesson - Old Testament p. 692 Isaiah 62:1-5

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 *James L. Crow*

Hymn FWS #2026 "Halle, Halle, Halleluja"

Gospel Song - Chancel Choir "Now Jesus Lived"

§ Scripture Lesson - New Testament p. 93 John 2:1-11

Leader: This is the Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ
according to John.

People: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel Response UMH #642, verse 2 "Now Jesus Lived"
(Sung to ST. CATHERINE)

Sermon *Rev. Calvin Culpepper*

"Getting Ready to Get Ready: *Sight for Sore Eyes!*"

WE RESPOND to GOD'S WORD

Offering Our Gifts and Our Selves

Offertory Offertory in C Major ~ G.F. Handel

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

WE ARE SCATTERED to SERVE

§ Hymn of Sending Forth UMH #545

"The Church's One Foundation"

Verse 1: ALL Verse 4: Women

Verse 2: Women Verse 5: ALL

Verse 3: Men

§ Benediction

God has called us by name, inviting us into new holy living in
Jesus Christ. We are a people of faith and of calling.

We have been baptized in Christ and now we are to share and
live the Good News in all the world.

Go now from here with Christ. Go into the world to live with
Christ. **Amen.**

Postlude Fugue a la gigue ~ Dietrich Buxtehude

Fellowship Time in the Narthex

Jeremiah Development Annual Meeting Announcement

On Thursday, February 11th, Jeremiah Development will have its Annual Meeting. Each of our founding churches is invited to this gathering where we discuss the Annual Report as well as elect new members to the Board of Directors and say goodbye to those leaving our ranks. It is a wonderful opportunity for you to meet the leaders of our neighborhood organization and share your hopes and dreams with them. The meeting is held at Second First Church and begins at 5:30. The regular business meeting will follow the Annual Meeting and visitors are welcome to attend that as well.



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!

Today we celebrate **Human Relations Day**, when we recognize the right of all God's children in realizing their potential as human beings in relationship with each other. Please use the enclosed envelope to help support persons working in racial- and ethnic-minority communities in the United States and Puerto Rico, and the Youth Offender Rehabilitation Program, which gives teenagers a chance to succeed.

CSUMC Book Club will meet today, 4:00 p.m., at Betty Doran's, 4134 Tumbleweed Trail, to discuss "Mrs. Grant and Madame Jule" by Jennifer Chiaverini. All are welcome to join us!

The 2016 Altar Flower chart is posted outside the church office on the bulletin board. Sign up now to get your favorite date to honor or memorialize someone you love.

Holy COW (Church On Wednesday)! on Jan. 20th!

4:00 - 5:30 p.m.

• Rev. Rhoads' class in the Library - Adults

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



PRAYER SERVICE in the SPIRIT OF TAIZE, Wednesday, January 20, 7:00 PM -IN SANCTUARY. All are invited to Court Street UMC's main sanctuary this Wednesday evening for an hour of contemplative prayer by candlelight. Since opening the Taize service to all faiths in 2015, Court Street UMC's monthly Taize service has drawn new souls from Court Street UMC, St. Peter's Cathedral, Our Savior's Lutheran Church, and others. You may participate in the sung refrains as you feel moved, or simply pray in silence -- remembering that where two or three are gathered in Christ's name, He is there.

Save your \$\$\$\$\$\$ to throw in the blanket next Sunday!

We are collecting "Board Games", new or used. Anything from "Hi Ho Cherry O" to "Clue". During the cold months the kids will have some indoor activities with board games. Some will stay at Haskell and a few might go home with the students. If you have any questions, please ask Barb Ferry or Elizabeth Tarara.

Calling all church leaders! Learn how to be effective serving in your church by attending free training presented by our Rockford District of the Northern Illinois Conference on Saturday, January 30, 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 pm, Faith UMC, 1440 S. Walnut, Freeport. Our own Rev. Dr. Wang will be presenting a workshop on History & Archives. Other topics are: 1) SPRC - from A to Z, 2) So You're Going on a Mission Trip, 3) Without a Vision the People Perish, and 4) Trustees. You will have a chance to attend 2 workshops as well as hear from our District Superintendent, Rev. Lisa Kruse-Safford. Registration deadline is Jan. 25th. Pamphlets are on the bulletin board outside the church office.

TODAY'S WORSHIP

Greeters: Tim & Kathy Welk **Liturgist:** Lorelle Wandell
Ushers: The Davis Team **Sound Tech:** Brian Meligan
Video Tech: Steve Ripley **Van Driver:** Dan Boon
Fellowship Hostess: Sue Cram

Court St. United Methodist Church at Work This Week

Sunday 2nd Sunday after Epiphany
01/17 **9:00 am** **Sunday School in Room 104, Nursery**
 9:00 **Lamplighters in Room 209**
10:00 **Worship Service in the Sanctuary**
11:15 **Fellowship Time in the Narthex**
11:15 **Children's Choir in Choir Room**
11:30 **Christian Education Committee in Youth Lounge**
 1:00 pm **Praisin' & Prayin' Puppets**
 1:00 **Youth Homework 2nd Floor Computer Lab**
 2:00 **Dowel Rod Ministry**
 3:00 **Youth Group in the Youth Center**
 3:00 **Confirmation Class in the Youth Center**
 4:00 **CSUMC Book Club @ 4134 Tumbleweed Tr., LP**

Mon 01/18 **Church is Closed - Martin Luther King Jr. Day**

Tue 01/19 **8:00 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**
11:00 **Adult Computers, Computer Lab, 2nd Floor**
 5:30 pm **Council Choraleers in the Chapel**
 6:00 **JuBellation Rehearsal in the Choir Room**
 7:00 **Chancel Choir Rehearsal in the Choir Room**
 7:00 **Grace Awakening in Room 205 & 209**

Wed 01/20 **8:00 am** **MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103**
 9:30 **Early Head Start in Room 100 & the Parlor**
 4:00 pm **Holy COW! -- **see announcements****
 6:00 **Taizé Ensemble in the Sanctuary**
 7:00 **Taizé Worship in the Sanctuary**

Thu 01/21 **8:00 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**

Fri 01/22 **8:00 am** **MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103**
 10:00 **Early Head Start in Room 100**
 1:30 pm **Early Head Start in Room 100**

Sat 01/23
Sunday 3rd Sunday after Epiphany
01/24 **9:00 am** **Sunday School in Room 104, Nursery**
 9:00 **Lamplighters in Room 209**
10:00 **Worship Service in the Sanctuary**
11:15 **Fellowship Time in the Narthex**
11:15 **Children's Choir in Choir Room**
 1:00 pm **Praisin' & Prayin' Puppets**
 1:00 **Youth Homework 2nd Floor Computer Lab**
 2:00 **Dowel Rod Ministry**
 2:00 **JFON Clinic on 2nd Floor**
 3:00 **Youth Group in the Youth Center**
 3:00 **Confirmation Class in the Youth Center**

MINISTRY STAFF AT COURT STREET

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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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WELCOME! January 17, 2016

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. _____

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

Worshipping
While
We
Walk



Jesus Changes
Water Into
Wine

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.

*2nd Sunday after Epiphany
January 17, 2016*