

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

§ Denotes when to stand as you are able

WE GATHER to be NURTURED

Prelude Intermezzo ~ Charles Widor

Ringing of the Bell

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

§ Call to Worship

Leader: We await our Savior. We gather on the mountain
and with open eyes behold him.

People: We receive strength to live in the valley.

Leader: God's love is revealed in the face of Christ.
With unveiled faces we behold his glory.

**People: His splendor is unfading,
the power of his love is undiminished.**

Leader: To us the gift of God has been revealed:
God's Son, the Chosen One.

All: We listen and worship, for Christ is here. Amen!

*-Diane Karay, All the Seasons of Mercy
(Philadelphia: Westminster Press, 1987), 30.*

§ Opening Hymn UMH #258 "O Wondrous Sight! O Vision Fair"

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

WE ARE NURTURED by GOD'S WORD

Scripture Lesson - Old Testament p. 81 Exodus 34:29-35

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 #2270, refrain "He Has Made Me Glad"

Gospel Song FWS #2173, verse 1 "Shine, Jesus, Shine"
Chancel Choir

§ Scripture Lesson - New Testament p. 69 Luke 9:28-43a

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

People: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel Song FWS #2173, verses 2 & 3 "Shine, Jesus, Shine"

Sermon *Rev. Calvin Culpepper*

"Getting Ready to Get Ready: To Listen!"

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

Prelude & Fugue in E Minor ~ Franz Murschhauser

§ **Doxology #94 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"**
Please remain standing as you are able after the Doxology.

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 Hymns

FWS #2267 "Taste and See"

UMH #394 "Something Beautiful"

WE ARE SCATTERED to SERVE

§ Hymn of Sending Forth UMH #451 "Be Thou My Vision"

§ Benediction

The good news of God's love is not just a message for the mountaintop. It is a glorious charge and a holy calling. As we leave this house of worship, may we be transfigured ourselves, radiant, refreshed for God's mission. Let us depart with fervent hope and renewed energy. Let our lives be witnesses to the gospel; let God's Spirit emanate from each of us! **Amen!**

Postlude "Run With the Light of Christ" ~ Karen Kirner
Chancel Choir

Brief meeting of Midvale Apt. buyers in front of Sanctuary

Fellowship Time in the Narthex

Chancel Flowers are given...
...in memory of Valerie Lynn Ostic,
niece of Verlette Gorman & Lorelle Wandell,
by Fred & Judy Mehren.

February 14th is the First Sunday in Lent. In keeping with the idea of sacrifice, the worship committee has decided to have only a plain wooden cross and candlesticks on the altar. For those desiring to memorialize or honor someone or an event with flowers, they will be placed in front someplace where they can be seen, just not on the altar.



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!

The God We Can Know explores the "I am" sayings of Jesus found in the Gospel of John. This study will help you find and form an answer to the most essential question in the Christian faith, "Who do you say I am?" One by one, Jesus' statements grab our imagination, reveal more about his identity and purpose, and connect us to the God of Moses, who spoke the first "I am." These significant, yet ordinary images (bread, light, shepherd, vine, and more) give us insightful ways to experience Jesus and point us to a God who wants to be known. Purchase your book for only \$7 and study with Pastor Cal in the Parlor at 8:30 a.m. We will do Chapter 2 next Sunday.

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper, February 9 - get \$5 ticket in the Narthex for all-you-can-eat pancakes-support our youth!

Ash Wednesday Worship at Noon & 5:30 pm in the Chapel

NO Holy COW (Church On Wednesday)! on Feb. 10th!

Instead, come to the Ash Wednesday service, 5:30 p.m., Chapel

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.

Next Sunday, February 14th, we will be taking a special offering to help us meet our Apportionment. There will be an insert next week to help you understand the importance of this offering. You may make your check out to CSUMC with "Apportionment" on the memo line.

The Gospel of John is the most deeply spiritual of the four gospels. This writing is filled with rich images and profound truths, but John notes that his aim in writing the gospel is that readers will not only believe in Jesus Christ, but that they "may have life in his name." You'll follow the life, ministry, death, and resurrection of Jesus through the Gospel of John and understand the context of some of the best-known verses in the New Testament. **Study with Pastor Cal for 6 weeks at 11:30 a.m. on Sundays in the Parlor, beginning February 14th.** Purchase your book for \$13 in the Narthex before/after worship or in the Church Office.

The Scrip committee thanks you for your purchases in 2015. We want to ask you to keep Scrip purchases in mind for your regular shopping needs. Some of our biggest returns come from: Chili's -11%, Backyard Grill-10%, The Olympic- 10%, Culver's- 10%, Panera Bread-9%, The Olive Garden/Red Lobster -9%. You can always stop by the church office during normal business hours to purchase Scrip cards. Consider buying a card or two to have on hand, such as AMC, for when you want to go to the movies.

TODAY'S WORSHIP

Greeters: Larry & Annette Gillette **Liturgist:** Ken Whitmore
Ushers: The Stanis Team **Sound Tech:** Ryan Welk
Video Tech: Steve Ripley **Van Driver:** Tim Gorman
Fellowship Hostesses: Judy Mehren & Lois McCauley

Court St. United Methodist Church at Work This Week

Sunday	Transfiguration Sunday
02/07	02/14
8:30 am	8:30 am
9:00	9:00
9:00	9:00
10:00	10:00
11:15	11:15
11:15	11:15
1:00 pm	1:00 pm
1:00	1:00
2:00	2:00
3:00	3:00
3:00	3:00
Mon 02/08	1:00 pm
9:00 am	4:30
1:00 pm	5:00
4:30	6:00
5:00	Tue 02/09
6:00	8:00 am
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Wed 02/10	8:00 am
8:00 am	9:30
9:30	12:00 pm
12:00 pm	5:30
5:30	6:30
6:30	Thu 02/11
8:00 am	8:00 am
9:30	9:30
6:00 pm	6:00 pm
Fri 02/12	8:00 am
8:00 am	10:00
10:00	10:00
10:00	1:30 pm
1:30 pm	5:30
5:30	Sat 02/13
8:30 am	8:30 am
Sunday	1st Sunday in Lent
02/14	02/14
8:30 am	8:30 am
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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! February 7, 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 _____

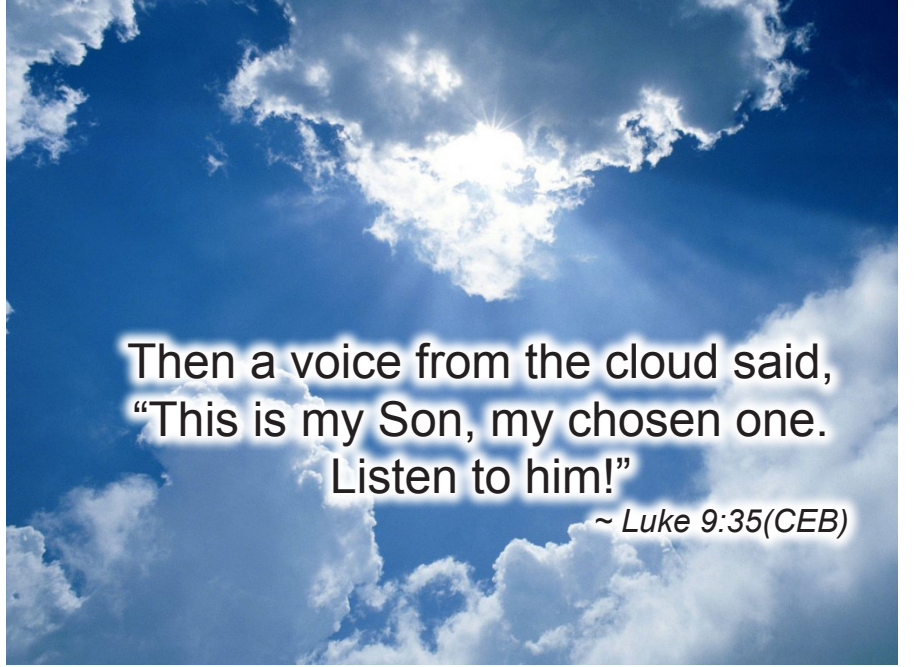
Street _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Phone (h) _____ (w) _____
 E-mail _____

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

Worshiping
 While
 We
 Walk



Then a voice from the cloud said,
 "This is my Son, my chosen one.
 Listen to him!"
 ~ Luke 9:35(CEB)

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.

Transfiguration Sunday
 February 7, 2016