

Parents -Please escort your children to the restrooms.

Thank you.

§ Denotes when to stand as you are able

WE GATHER to be NURTURED

Prelude "I Want to Know You More" *Praisin' & Prayin' Puppets*

Ringing of the Bell

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

§ Crown of Thorns "In the Garden"

Leader: The Garden. Gethsemane. "Come with me to pray," Christ said, and they did!

People: Peter, James, and John; Thomas, Andrew, and Philip; Bartholomew, Matthew, and James, son of Alphaeus; Simon the Zealot, and Judas, son of James.

Leader: Only one of the twelve was missing: the other Judas -- Judas Iscariot.

People: There, in the growing darkness, beneath gnarled olive trees, Christ knelt and poured out his heart to his father.

Leader: "If it is your will, Father, please take this cup from me."

People: And they slept.

Leader: "If it is not possible for this cup to be taken away unless I drink it, then your will be done."

People: And they slept.

Leader: "Not my will, but your will, O God."

People: And still, they slept. For the spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak.

Leader: "My soul aches with sorrow..."

People: Lord--we are here for you.

Leader: "Stay with me a while."

People: Lord, you know we will.

Leader: "Can you not even stay awake long enough to keep watch with me?"

People: But Lord...

Leader: "Behold, the hour is at hand. Here is my betrayer now."

People: Lord, we acknowledge the times we have failed you, just as the disciples did so long ago in the garden. As the flames are taken away from these candles, so remove our sins from us. We remember your pain as we snuff out yet more of your light.

§ Opening Hymn UMH #168 "At the Name of Jesus"

verse 1: *All* verse 3: *Men*

verse 2: *Women* verse 4: *All*

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. 672 Isaiah 43:16-21

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 "More Precious Than Silver" *Chancel Choir*

§ Scripture Lesson - New Testament p. 106 John 12:1-8

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

People: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel Response FWS #2065 "More Precious Than Silver"

Sermon "Loving as Christ Loved"

Rev. Dr. Norma Lee Kerns Barnhart

WE RESPOND to GOD'S WORD

Offering Our Gifts and Our Selves

Offertory "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" ~ *Samuel Scheidt*

§ Doxology #95 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

WE ARE SCATTERED to SERVE

§ Hymn of Sending Forth FWS #2008
"Let All Things Now Living"

§ Benediction

Go now into the world. Go now, following the example of our Lord Jesus. May your lives reflect God's love and grace. May your lives reflect the life and teachings of Jesus. May we continue on this Lenten journey, ever growing closer to Jesus Christ, and ever growing more perfect in God's love. Go now in God's peace. *Amen.*

Postlude "Contagious" *Praisin' & Prayin' Puppets*

Fellowship Time in the Narthex

We thank Rev. Dr. Norma Lee Kerns Barnhart
for being our guest leader today.

Chancel Flowers are given...

...in loving memory of our son, Alexander Rhoads,

by Ray & Margaret Rhoads.



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 will be taking a special offering to help us meet our Apportionment. There is 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.

DEADLINE to RSVP for Maundy Thursday Banquet is 3/20/16.

Cards are in the Narthex - fill them out & drop in offering plate.

Did you put your cross down? Pick it back up by coming to a 30 minute worship at noon this Wednesday in the Chapel. Stay afterwards for a light lunch in the Dining Room for a free-will donation.

Chimes deadline is Tuesday, March 15th. Because we are printing on the 16th, extensions are not possible this month. Please turn in all articles promptly; earlier will help reduce my loss of hair. Thank you!

Holy COW (Church On Wednesday)! on March 16th!

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

• "Living Lent" Study in the Dining Room

Each session in this Bible study includes these words to consider while living Lent as Easter people: Ponder, Purpose, People, Proclaim, Praise, and Pain. Purchase your book for \$5 in the Church Office.

Reserve March 24th for the presentation of "The Living Last Supper," as well as the delicious meal afterwards. "The Living Last Supper" is free admission. Please see the card for the cost of the meal.

Don't forget to check the calendar on the back for additional events.

The Scrip committee reminds you **we have cash and carry cards (\$25 each) for Home Depot, Lowe's and Menards** for all of your home & garden projects. Remember that, if you plan to shop at these businesses, your purchase of the cards will help us support Court Street UMC Church! Thank you and hope to see you at the Scrip table.

"Strike the Rock: A Double Passion" for Chorus and instruments will be presented during worship service at 10 am on Sunday, March 20th. Sinai and Calvary...though a desert apart, both were mountains scaled by men called to deliver a people from captivity. Experience the Passion of Christ as foreshadowed by Moses - revealing how Moses' obedience (and his one fateful act of disobedience) shook the prophecy of Calvary. Featuring choruses by 9 different composers, and orchestrated by James Marck for strings, chorus, handbells and percussion.

Plan now to come home to Court St. UMC for Easter:

6:00 a.m. Sunrise Service in the Chapel

10:00 a.m. Resurrection Service in the Sanctuary



TODAY'S WORSHIP

Greeters: Mike & Peggy Olderbak **Liturgist:** Ken Whitmore
Ushers: The Sandra Gregory Team **Sound Tech:** Brian King
Video Tech: Steve Ripley **Van Driver:** Tim Gorman
Fellowship Hosts: The Rhoads'

Court St. United Methodist Church at Work This Week

Sunday 5th Sunday in Lent

03/13 8:30 am The God We Can Know Study in the Parlor
9:00 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 The Gospel of John Study in the Parlor
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 Dining Room
Mon 03/14 9:00 am MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103
12:00 pm Nurture & Outreach in the Dining Room
4:30 SPRC in Room 209
Tue 03/15 **Chimes DEADLINE**
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 Sanctuary
7:00 Grace Awakening in Room 202 & 209
Wed 03/16 8:00 am MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103
9:30 Deborah Circle @ Nancy Stanis': 1339 Sandypoint Dr.
9:30 Early Head Start in Room 100 & the Parlor
12:00 pm Dorcas Circle to attend Chapel Service & Lunch afterwards
12:00 30 minute Worship in the Chapel
12:30 Lenten Lunch in the Dining Room for free-will donation
4:00 Holy COW! -- **see announcements**
Thu 03/17 8:00 am MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103
9:30 Early Head Start in Room 100
1:00 pm Chimes stuffing in the Library
2:30 Early Head Start in Room 100
Fri 03/18 8:00 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 03/19 9:00 am Instrumental Rehearsal in the Sanctuary
Sunday Palm/Passion Sunday
03/20 8:30 am The God We Can Know Study in the Parlor
9:00 Sunday School in Room 104, Nursery
9:00 Lamplighters in Room 209
9:15 Blood Pressure Check in the Narthex
10:00 Worship Service in the Sanctuary - Strike the Rock
11:15 Fellowship Time in the Narthex
11:15 Blood Pressure Check in the Narthex
11:15 Children's Choir in Choir Room
11:30 The Gospel of John Study in the Parlor
11:30 Christian Ed Committee in the Dining 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 the 2nd Floor
3:00 Youth Group in the Youth Center
3:00 Confirmation Class in the Dining Room
4:00 CSUMC Book Club @ Jan's, 4250 Ahlstrand Dr.

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! March 13, 2016
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.

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 _____

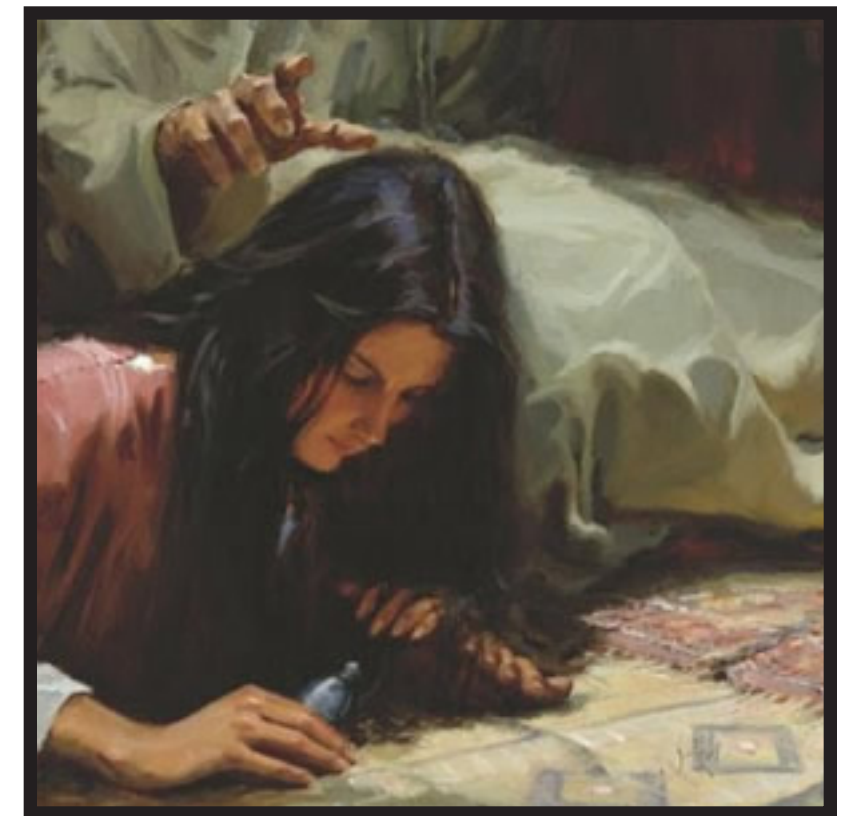
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City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Phone (h) _____ (w) _____
E-mail _____

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



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.

5th Sunday in Lent
March 13, 2016