

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

10:00 WORSHIP SERVICE

Worshiping While We *Walk*



*Strike the Rock*  
*A Double Passion*  
*for Chorus and Instruments*

*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.

*Palm Sunday*  
*March 20, 2016*

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

§ Denotes when to stand as you are able

Prelude "O Lamm Gottes, Unschuldig"  
"O Lamb of God, Pure, Spotless" ~ *J.S. Bach*

*Ringing of the Bell*

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

§ Proclamation of the Entrance into Jerusalem  
Gospel Lesson Mark 11:1-11 *Rev. Calvin Culpepper*

**The People's Response Psalter UMH #839, response 1 Psalm 118**

§ **Processional Hymn UMH #280 "All Glory, Laud, and Honor"**

**refrain: All every verse**

**verse 1: All**

**verse 4: Men**

**verse 2: Women**

**verse 5: All**

**verse 3: All**

Sharing of Joys and Concerns *Rev. Calvin Culpepper*  
Prayers of the People  
**The Lord's Prayer, UMH #895**

Children's Choir "Give Me Oil in My Lamp"

Children's Message *James L. Crow*

## **"Strike the Rock"**

Monologue 1

"Upon the Water" Exodus 1:17-22, and Exodus 2:3 *James Marck*

Now there was from the House of Levi  
A certain woman who had bore a son.  
And when she saw that it was a boy,  
She hid him for three months long.

She placed him among the reeds,  
she placed upon the water.  
She placed him among the reeds,  
the reeds of the River Nile.

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When Pharaoh saw the Hebrew women,  
How they resisted him and kept their sons alive,  
He gave the order to all the land,  
To slay ev'ry Hebrew boy.

When she could hide the babe no longer,  
And seeing that he was a goodly child,  
She took a basket, daubed it with pitch,  
And placing the child within:

She placed him among the reeds,  
she placed upon the water.

## Monologue 2

“Mary’s Wandering”

*English Folksong*

Once Mary would go wandering, to all the land would run,  
That she might find her son, that she might find her son.  
Whom met she as she journeyed forth? St. Peter, that good man,  
Who sadly her did scan, who sadly her did scan.

“O tell me have you seen Him yet, the one I love the most –  
The Son whom I have lost, the Son whom I have lost?”

“Too well, too well, I’ve seen thy Son, ‘twas by a palace gate,  
Most grievous was His state, most grievous was His state.”

“O say, what wore He on His head?”

“A crown of thorns he wore; A cross he also bore, a cross he also bore.”

“Ah me! And he must bear that cross, till he’s brought to the hill,  
For cruel men to kill, for cruel men to kill.”

“Nay, Mary, cease thy weeping dear: the wounds they are but small;  
But Heav’n is won for all, but Heav’n is won for all,  
But Heav’n is won for all!”

## Monologue 3

“Prince of Egypt”

Exodus 2:1-10

*James Marck*

Pharaoh’s daughter went down to the river to bathe,  
and seeing the basket, she opened it, and lo, there was a baby boy!  
She adopted him as her son, and called him Moses, for she said:  
“I drew him out of the reeds, I drew him out of the water.”

## Monologue 4

“Prince of Peace”

*Trad. Russian hymn, arr. Lvoff*

O Holy Jesu, Prince of Peace!  
Thy peace be with us, gathering round thy throne.  
Here, where the presence of an unseen Lord waits to be gracious,  
Charged with full release to ev’ry heavy-laden soul,  
Which here remembers Thee, which here remembers Thee,  
O Prince of Peace.

## Monologue 5

“Gershom”

Exodus 2:21-22

*James Marck*

I am a stranger, I am a stranger, I am a stranger in a foreign land.  
We are all strangers, we are all strangers, we are all strangers in a foreign land.

Moses agreed to stay with the man,  
who gave his daughter Zipporah to him in marriage.  
She gave birth to a son, and Moses named him Gershom,  
For he said: “I am a stranger in a foreign land”.

I am a stranger, I am a stranger, I am a stranger in a foreign land.  
We are all strangers, we are all strangers, we are all strangers in a foreign land.

### Monologue 6

“How Great His Love”

*Ruth Schram*

How great His love, how great His mercy,  
To choose the path that leads to Calvary;  
To drink the cup, of pain and sorrow;  
How great His love, how great His love for me.

How great His love, how gen'rous His compassion,  
To meet our need before we knew to ask;  
To call our names, to beckon us to follow;  
How great His love, how great His love for us.

How great His love, the love of God the Father,  
To choose a plan that sends His only Son  
To live with us, to walk among us;  
How great His love, how great His love for us.

How great His love,  
that He should call us his children,  
That he should give Jesus.  
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### Monologues 7 & 8

“Shepherd Psalm”

*Don & Jaree Lee*

Gentle Shepherd, Lord of all, in your care, I'll never want.  
Lay me down in pastures green: Guide, protect, supply my need;  
Guide, protect, supply my need.

By the water, still and pure. Cleanse and keep my soul secure.  
For your Name, my way protect, Led in paths of righteousness;  
Led in paths of righteousness.

Tho' the vale of death be near, shadows dark, I need not fear.  
Care and comfort You provide, Keep in safety by Your side,  
Keep in safety by Your side.

Goodness, mercy follow me, 'Til the day I dwell with Thee.  
In Your house forevermore, safely home on heaven's shore;  
Safely home on heaven's shore!

Life below, I leave behind; Son of God, forever shine!  
When my time on earth is done, I'll awake to heaven's Sun;  
I'll awake to heaven's Sun!

Gentle Shepherd, Lord of all, in your care, I'll never want.  
Lay me down in pastures green: Guide, protect, supply my need;  
Guide, protect, supply my need.

### Monologues 9 & 10

“Come Heavy Souls”

*Bob Burroughs*

Come, heavy souls, oppressed that are  
with doubts and fears, and anxious care.  
Lay all your burdens down,  
and see where's One that carried once a tree  
upon His back,  
and, which is more, a heavier weight:  
your sins He bore.

Think too how willing  
He's to take your care on Him,  
Who for your sake sweat bloody drops,  
prayed, cried!  
Was bound, scourged, mocked, crucified!

He that so much for you did do,  
Will yet do more and care for you.

Think then how easily He can your sorrows bear,  
That's God and Man, God and Man!

Monologues 11, 12, & 13

“Strike the Rock”

Exodus 17:6

*James Marck*

Strike the rock, and water will come flowing for the people to drink.

**Hymn UMH #287**      **“O Love Divine, What Hast Thou Done”**      *Sung to “Faith of our Fathers”*

Offering Our Gifts and Our Selves - Tristan String Quartet

§ **Doxology #95**      **“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”**

§ **Benediction**

As Jesus set his face toward Calvary and the cross, let us enter this Holy Week focusing our hearts and minds on the extraordinary love that motivated and enabled Jesus to lay down his life for us. Go from this place knowing that you are held by the same love that held our Lord. In the name of God the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

Postlude

“Prelude and Fugue in D minor”

*~ J.S. Bach*

**Fellowship Time in the Narthex**

**We thank the following people  
for making this worship meaningful and special.**

*Readers:* Rev. Calvin Culpepper, James Crow, Richard Wang

Court Street Cantata Choir, Children's Choir

*Oboe:* Matt Guschl

*French Horn:* Beth Kinch

*Trombone:* Cary Sheley

*Violin I:* Leah Zahn, Zhanna Skrypai

*Guitar:* Jason Kramer

*Percussion:* Mark Tennin

*Violin II:* Sherry Butzow

*Viola:* Teresa Wilmot

*Cello:* Mary Beth Stilson, Iris Regev

*Piano:* Rulee Stallman

*Tenor Solo:* James Johnson

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

### **Sunday Palm/Passion Sunday**

**03/20**    **8:30 am**    **The God We Can Know Study - 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**       **Sanctuary Worship - 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**  
**1:00 pm**     **Praisin' & Prayin' Puppets**  
**1:00**        **Youth Homework - 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 @ 4250 Ahlstrand Dr.**

**Mon 03/21**   **9:00 am**    **MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103**  
**10:00**       **Nurture Small Group meeting in the Library**  
**6:00 pm**     **Ad Council in the Dining Room**

**Tue 03/22**   **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 Flr**  
**6:00 pm**     **JuBellation Rehearsal in the Sanctuary**  
**6:15**        **Knitting Group @ 4250 Ahlstrand Dr.**  
**7:00**        **Chancel Choir Rehearsal in the Sanctuary**  
**7:00**        **Grace Awakening in Room 202 & 209**

**Wed 03/23**   **8:00 am**    **MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103**  
**9:30**        **Early Head Start in Room 100 & the Parlor**  
**12:00 pm**   **30 minute Worship in the Chapel**

**Thu 03/24**   **8:00 am**    **MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103**  
**9:30**        **Early Head Start in Room 100**  
**5:30 pm**     **'The Living Last Supper' in the Sanctuary**  
**6:30**        **Maundy Thursday Banquet - Dining Room**

**Fri 03/25**   **10:00**       **Early Head Start in Room 100**  
**12:00 pm**   **Good Friday Worship in the Chapel**

**Sat 03/26**   **10:00 am**   **Rehearsal in the Sanctuary**

### **Sunday Easter Sunday**

**03/27**       **6:00 am**    **Sunrise Worship in the Chapel**  
**9:00**        **Easter Egg Hunt on 3rd Floor**  
**10:00**       **Resurrection Celebration in the Sanctuary**



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!

**DEADLINE to RSVP for Maundy Thursday Banquet is TODAY. You may come March 24th at 5:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary for "The Living Last Supper" for free with no RSVP required. If you wish to attend the banquet, you may do that by filling out an RSVP card found in the Narthex & drop in the offering plate or give to an usher. Cost for the meal is:**

\$10 per adult, \$5 for ages 4-11.

**Did you put your cross down?** Pick it back up by coming to a 30 minute worship at noon this Wednesday in the Chapel. There will be NO lunch after worship this week.

**NO Holy COW (Church On Wednesday)! on March 23rd!  
Be sure to attend as many of the Holy Week events as possible.**



**Good Friday Worship**  
March 25 • Noon • Chapel  
Chancel Choir

*Traditional Good Friday Tenebrae Service*

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

# ALLELUIA!



**Sunrise Worship**

Sunday • March 27

6:00 a.m.

Chapel

*Chancel Choir, Organ*

**Resurrection Celebration**

Sunday • March 27

10:00 a.m.

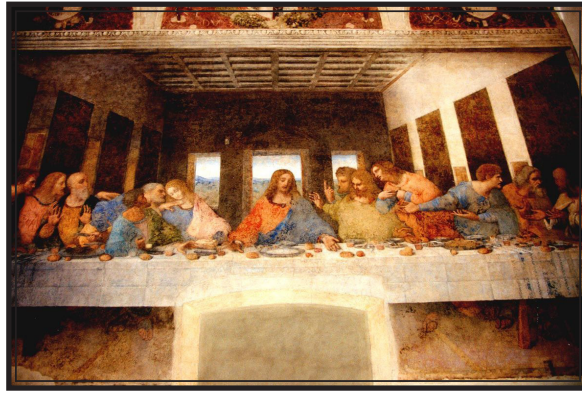
Sanctuary

*Chancel Choir, Organ, Handbells, Mark Nelson Brass*

**Court Street UMC will be closed Monday, March 28th.**

**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 UM Church! Thank you and hope to see you at the Scrip table.



**Maundy Thursday**

*The Living Last Supper*

March 24

5:30 p.m. - 6:15 p.m.

Sanctuary

One of Christianity's most significant events is brought to life in Ruth Elaine Schram's remarkable work 'The Living Last Supper.' The music passionately captures the pathos of the event while the disciples speak, expressing their innermost thoughts with brief but poignant monologues.

*Free & Open to the Public*

<b>TODAY'S WORSHIP</b>	
<b>Greeter:</b> Lorna Wakefield	<b>Liturgist:</b> Lorelle Wandell
<b>Ushers:</b> The Sandy Gregory Team	<b>Sound Tech:</b> Brian Meligan
<b>Video Tech:</b> Steve Ripley	<b>Van Driver:</b> Dan Boon
<b>Fellowship Hosts:</b> The Rhoads'	

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