

Worshiping While We *Walk*



ALLELUIA!

Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise

Charles Wesley

Welcome Home 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.

*Easter Sunday
March 27, 2016
10:00 Worship Service*



Easter Flowers

In memory of my eternal joy - **Phil** - by Barb Adam.

In memory of **Charles Dow** and **Marge Anderson** by Roger, Cindy, Carter, & Ella Anderson.

In memory of **John D. Armstrong, F.C. & Elizabeth Armstrong**, and **Reid & Elsie Hodge** by Fern H. Armstrong.

In memory of **Evie Campbell** by Dennis Campbell & family.

In memory of my parents, **Ray & Dora Cram**, and my friend, **Lucille Wingard**, by Sue Cram.

In memory of **Mary Ellen Cromwell** by Bert Cromwell.

In memory of **Anne & Ottie Neumann**, Janet's parents, and **James Davis**, Mark's dad, by Janet & Mark Davis.

In memory of **Bethel Tunnell** and in honor of **Tashiana DeLeon's birthday** by the DeLeon family.

In **glory to God for all His blessings** by Gary & Darlene Dienhart.

In honor of **Family & Friends** by Bill & Betty Doran.

In memory of **Edward T. Doran**, and **Deborah Doran** by Nancy Doran.

In memory of **Charles Dow** by Donna Dow.

In memory of **Alvin & Estelle Dugar** by Al & Fran Dugar.

In memory of our parents, **Ruby & Harold Kaney**, and **Vada & Lee Ferry, Sr.**, by Barb & Gene Ferry.

In memory of **Clark, Gordon & Ruth Galloway**, and **Frances Goss** by their family.

In honor of the **dedicated and caring members of our Nurture & Outreach Committee** by Geor-galee George.

In memory of **Robert Gillette**, father of Larry, and **Thelma & Robert Katke**, parents of Annette, by Larry & Annette Gillette.

In memory of **Valerie Lynn Ostic, Carl H. Ostic, Wilma & Lonnie Ostic, and T. Jack Gorman,** by Tim & Verlette Gorman.

In memory of father **Folke A. Lind** by Randiann King & family.

In loving memory of our son, **Kraig Kint,** and **our parents** by Karl & Marge Kint & family.

In memory of **William Mace** by Jan Mace & family.

In memory of **family who have gone before us** and **Trafari & his gift of life,** by Fred & Judy Mehren.

In honor of **Rev. Calvin Culpepper** by Pastor Paul Meyers.

In memory of **Ruth Monroe** and **Harland Dull** by Del & Charlene Monroe.

In memory of **Frances Olderbak** by Mike & Peggy Olderbak.

In memory of **John & Tiny Strom,** and **Glenn & Vernice Palmer** by Glenn, Gail & Greg Palmer.

In honor of **our families** by Paul & Ashley Rupp.

In memory of **Marjorie B. Jones,** my mother, and **Frank E. Ryan,** my father, by Geri Ryan.

In memory of **Dorothy Loehr, Bill & Ella Shindel,** and **Sharon Hauch** by Bruce & Nancy Shindel.

In memory **Bill & Bess Stanis** and **Casper & Violet Hammel** by DuWayne & Nancy Stanis.

In memory of **Bethel & Opal Tunnell** and **Jack & Toni Diestelmeier,** and in honor of **Tashiana DeLeon's 13th birthday, Kayla, Malachi, Tashiana & Kaiden DeLeon** by Stan & Joan Tunnell.

In memory of **Larry Wakefield** by Lorna Wakefield.

In memory of **our loved ones who have gone to be with the Lord** by Rob & Lorelle Wandell.

In memory of **our parents** by Judy & Loyd Wollstadt.

*Please sign registration sheets and pass to others in your pew.
If you are visiting, we welcome you and ask that you leave
information on the registration sheets so that we might be in contact with you.*

§ Denotes when to stand as you are able

WE GATHER to be NURTURED

Prelude "Ode to Joy" ~ *Beethoven*

Ringing of the Bell

§ Call to Worship

Rev. Calvin Culpepper

Leader: At the break of dawn, a bird sings.

***People:* The long night of darkness is over.**

Leader: The stone is rolled away!

***People:* The tomb is empty!**

Leader: The sun begins to shine!

***People:* The Son has risen!**

Leader: It's a morning of glory,

***People:* Of love overcoming death,**

Leader: Of women spreading Good News,

***People:* Of men turning from despair.**

Leader: It's a morning of joy,

***People:* For Easter has come again.**

Leader: Love is stronger than death,

***All:* And we lift our voices in song!**

§ Processional Hymn (On Screen) "An Easter Celebration"

~ Craig Courtney

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Rev. Calvin Culpepper

Prayers of the People

WE ARE NURTURED by GOD'S WORD

First Scripture Reading

1 Corinthians 15:19-26

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

***People:* Glory to you, O Lord.**

Hymn FWS #2129

"I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"

Children's Message

James L. Crow

Hymn FWS #2026

"Halle, Halle, Halleluja"

§ Second Scripture Lesson John 20:1-18
Leader: This is the Gospel of our Lord, Jesus Christ, according to John.
People: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Sermon “Serving A Risen Savior, in a Fallen World” *Rev. Calvin Culpepper*

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 - Mark Nelson Brass “ Jesu meine Freude (Jesus my Joy)” ~*J.S. Bach*

§ **Doxology UMH #94** **“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”**
Please remain standing as you are able.

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 Music
JuBellation “Christ is Risen Indeed!” ~ *Lee Afdahl*
Children’s Choir “Lift High the Cross”

WE ARE SCATTERED to SERVE

§ **Hymn of Sending Forth UMH #322** **“Up From the Grave He Arose”**
*As we sing this hymn, please come forward and join the choir
if you wish to join in singing “The Hallelujah Chorus.”*

§ **Benediction**
Jesus is alive! But, can those who “read” your life tell? Go in the power of the resurrection to live as Easter people in a Good Friday world knowing that God -- Father, Son and Spirit -- always goes with you. **Amen.**

Prelude to a New Life in Christ “The Hallelujah Chorus” ~ *G.F. Handel*



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!

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

Don't forget to check the calendar on the next page 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.

Holy COW (Church On Wednesday)! on March 30th!

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



To all the new and seasoned volunteers of our Garden Bazaar...we need people on Thursday, May 12, at 9:30 in the morning to help sort and organize the pre-orders. On Friday, May 13, we need people at 7:30 AM to set up, from 9-3 to help sell, and at 3 PM to take down. May 14 we need people to set up at 7:30 AM, sell from 9-1, and take down/clean up at 1 PM. Please contact Perky at 815-519-7520 or at church on Sunday's. We would love to have new volunteers as well as our "old faithfuls"!!

Money Smart Week Events at CSUMC

April 26 Church Dining Room at 5:30 PM

Jeff Klinger will speak on The A's, B's C's and D's of Medicare

April 27 Room 209 at 5:30 PM

Keith Barrett will speak on "How Money Works and it's Secret to Financial Success".

Come to N. Main Culver's on Monday, April 25th, from 5 - 8 p.m. for 'Scoopie Night.' Have some delicious food and treats as well as a delightful social time with your friends. All funds raised will be split between our United Methodist Men and our Youth Programs. To earn even more funds for our church, purchase Culver's cards from our Scrip program.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - Women's Crisis Center- To Prepare and Serve meals on Wednesday, April 13th. Please Call Barb Ferry at 815-965-6518.

Join in a Prayer Service in the Spirit of Taizé! Friday - April 15th at 7:00 p.m., at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 3300 Rural St.

Don't miss the Ecumenical Choir Festival, with guest conductor Timm Adams! Saturday April 16th from 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. at Court St. UMC. Register for this event at whatwich@gmail.com (Fee for the event is \$15). Ecumenical Praise Service will take place at 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 16th, also at CSUMC. All are welcome!

Court St. United Methodist Church at Work This Week

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**

Mon 03/28 **CHURCH CLOSED - HAPPY EASTER!**

Tue 03/29 **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**
 11:00 **Adult Computers, Computer Lab, 2nd Floor**
 6:00 pm **JuBellation Rehearsal in the Choir Room**
 7:00 **Grace Awakening in Room 202 & 209**

Wed 03/30 **8:00 am** **MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103**
 9:30 **Early Head Start in Room 100**
 4:00 pm ****Holy COW!** -- See Announcements**

Thu 03/31 **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**
 4:00 **Rockford University Event in the Dining Room**

Fri 04/01 **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 04/02

Sun 04/03 **9:00 am** **Lamplighters in Room 209**
 9:00 **Sunday School, Room 104, Nursery**
 10:00 **Worship Service in the Sanctuary**
 11:15 **Children's Choir in the Choir Room**
 11:15 **Fellowship Time in the Narthex**
 11:30 **Christian Ed Committee in the Dining Room**
 12:30 pm **Youth Lunch in the Dining Room**
 1:00 **Praisin' & Prayin' Puppets in Room 305**
 2:00 **Stick Ministry**
 3:00 **Confirmation Class in the Dining Room**
 3:00 **Youth Group in the Youth Center**

We thank the following people for enhancing our worship:

Chancel Choir

Children's Choir

JuBellation Handbell Choir

Mark Nelson Brass

TODAY'S WORSHIP

Greeter: Marie Lewis

Ushers: The Sandra Gregory Team **Liturgist:** Ken Whitmore

Sound Tech: Stan Tunnell **Van Driver:** Bruce Shindel

If you do not wish to keep any part or all of your bulletin at the end of worship, please give it back to an usher and we will recycle it.

Thank you for helping our environment!



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