

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

§ Denotes when to stand as you are able

WE GATHER to be NURTURED

Prelude Ach Gott vom Himmel sieh darein
Oh God, look down from Heaven
Johann Gottfreid Walther

Ringing of the Bell

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

§ Call to Worship

Leader: O God, you have searched me and known me.

People: You know when we sit down and when we rise up.

Leader: You discern my thoughts from far away.

People: You search out our paths and our lying down.

Leader: You are acquainted with all our ways.

People: Such knowledge is too wonderful for us.

Leader: Let us worship this morning an awesome God.

§ Opening Hymn FWS #2130

“The Summons”

verse 1: *All*

verse 2: *Women*

verse 3: *All*

verse 4: *Men*

verse 5: *All*

Sharing of Joys and Journeys
Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Calvin Culpepper

The Lord's Prayer, UMH #895

WE ARE NURTURED by GOD'S WORD

Reading from the Psalter, UMH #774

Psalm 40:1-11

Hymn FWS #2129

“I Have Decided to Follow Jesus”

The children are invited to come forward as we sing.

Children's Message

James L. Crow

Hymn FWS #2026

“Halle, Halle, Halleluja”

Scripture Lesson - New Testament p. 165

I Corinthians 1:1-9

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

People: Glory to you, O Lord.

Anthem

“He Leadeth Me”

~ *Gilbert Martin*

“Lacking Nothing”

Rev. Calvin Culpepper

WE RESPOND to GOD'S WORD

COVENANT PRAYER

I am no longer my own, but thine.

Put me to what thou wilt, rank me with whom thou wilt.

Put me to doing, put me to suffering.

Let me be employed by thee or laid aside for thee,

Exalted for thee or brought low by thee.

Let me be full, let me be empty.

Let me have all things, let me have nothing.

I freely and heartily yield all things

To thy pleasure and disposal.

And now, O glorious and blessed God,

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,

Thou art mine, and I am thine. So be it.

And the covenant which I have made on earth,

Let it be ratified in heaven. Amen.

Offering Our Gifts and Our Selves

Offertory

“Ricerar”

~ *Johann Palchelbel*

§ Doxology UMH #94 “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

WE ARE SCATTERED to SERVE

§ Hymn of Sending Forth UMH # 140

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

§ Benediction

God is faithful and God is able. Go in the power of God's Spirit to be strengthened and renewed, to live as citizens of an eternal reign that has already begun. **Amen!**

Postlude

Christum wir sollen loben schon

Christ, We Should Praise

Johann Gottfried Walther

Facetime by the Big Bell



Altar Flowers are given...

...in memory of ‘Dick’ Scott

by Carol Scott.

Memory Verse for This Week

“...you are not lacking in any spiritual gift

as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ.”

1 Corinthians 1:7

United Methodist Women's Luncheon on Wed., Feb. 1st, Noon, in the Dining Room. Lunch is \$7 per person; program is Megan Brechon (Diane Lutmer's daughter-in-law), Executive Director of Children's Safe Harbor.. Deadline for RSVP to (815) 877-2141: Jan. 29.



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. Make your check out to CSUMC with ‘Human Relations’ in the memo.

The **2017 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. 18th!

4:00 - 5:30 p.m. • Rev. Rhoads' class in the Library - Adults

5:30 - 6:00 p.m. • Dinner by Diane - Dining Room - \$3.50/person

6:00 - 7:00 p.m. • Men's Fellowship Group in the Parlor

For the month of January, **Nurture & Outreach is appropriately collecting shovels for the students at Haskell Academy.** The children love to help out and this will help more students keep the school grounds safe. You can drop off the shovels in the church narthex by the sign for Haskell Academy. Thank You in advance!

Join us on Friday, January 20th, 6:30 p.m., at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 3300 Rural St., for a time of prayerful meditation and introspection in the spirit of Taizé. All are welcome to come, by the glow of candlelight, and enter the warmth of God's embrace.

Rockford Dist. Leadership Training Event ~ Saturday, January 28, 2017, Faith UMC of Freeport, 1440 S. Walnut, Freeport, 8am-12:30pm. Workshops offered include: Staff-Parish Relations Committee Work, Trustees Work, The Way of Christ, Best Financial Practices, Church Presence in Neighborhood, Alternate Leadership Structure and Statistical Report. Especially if you are new to a committee, here is a wonderful chance to learn what your committee needs to do. No cost to attend, but they do request that you register by January 25th. To register, please go to: www.umcnic.org/2017RkfdTraining. For more information, call: 815-561-8285.

Angel Tree Ministry ~ Thanks to ALL of you for your financial support, for purchasing and wrapping gifts for the children and for your prayers. Because of your generosity, gifts were purchased for 56 children from 22 families in our church neighborhood and in the nearby area. Each child received two gifts on behalf of the incarcerated parent. In addition extra funds were left over to provide \$25 or \$50 in grocery gift cards to each family based upon size of family or need. Thanks also to those of you who helped organize and deliver the gifts to the families. May God bless you all, for it is in giving that we are richly blessed. We ask that you continue to pray for the incarcerated parents and their families. *Barb and Gene Ferry*

Bring your extra \$\$\$\$\$\$ next Sunday - it's Blanket Sunday!

Your contributions in the white baskets on the 1st Sunday of every month at Communion will be greatly appreciated to further our local outreach. The Local Mission Committee will report what they do with your monthly contributions in The Chimes.

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WELCOME!

January 15, 2017

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 _____

Street _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (h) _____ (w) _____

E-mail _____

TODAY'S WORSHIP

- Greeters:** You & Me
- Ushers:** The Sue Cram Team
- Video Tech:** Steve Ripley
- Facetime Hostesses:** Geri Ryan & Judy Mehren
- Acolyte:** Tegan Ludington
- Sound Tech:** Brian Meligan
- Van Driver:** Dan Boon

Court St. United Methodist Church at Work This Week

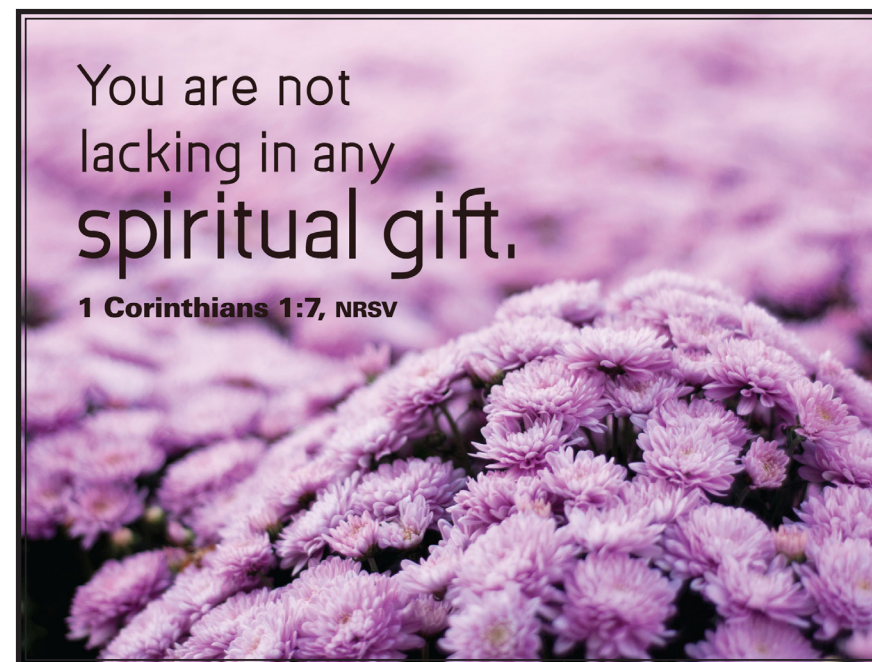
- Sun 01/15 2nd Sunday after Epiphany - Chimes DEADLINE**
 - 9:00 am 'Believe' Study in the Parlor
 - 9:00 Sunday School: PreK-grade 5 in 104; grades 6-12 in Balcony West
 - 9:00 Lamplighters (Adult Sunday School) in 209
 - 10:00 Worship Service in the Sanctuary
 - 11:15 Facetime by the Big Bell
 - 11:15 Children's Choir, lower level Choir Room
 - 11:30 Christian Ed Committee in the Dining Room
 - 12:30 pm Stick Ministry in the Sanctuary
 - 1:15 Praisin' & Prayin' Puppets in Room 302
 - 4:00 CSUMC Book Club @ 4347 Applewood Ln.
- Mon 01/16 Church Closed for MLK Day except for 'Fine Arts Day'**
- Tue 01/17**
 - 8:30 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
 - 5:30 pm Trustees in the Library
 - 6:00 JuBellation Rehearsal in Choir Room
 - 7:00 Grace Awakening in Room 202 & 209
 - 7:00 Chancel Choir Rehearsal in Choir Room
- Wed 01/18**
 - 8:30 am MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103
 - 9:30 Early Head Start in Room 100
 - 4:00 pm Holy COW! -- **see announcements**
 - 5:30 N IL Wood Turners in the Youth Center
- Thu 01/19**
 - 8:30 am MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103
 - 9:30 Early Head Start in Room 100
 - 12:00 pm Nurture & Outreach in the Dining Room
 - 2:30 Early Head Start in Room 100
 - 2:30 Rockford Rhythm Intro in Room 307
- Fri 01/20**
 - 8:30 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
 - 6:30 Taizé Service @ Our Savior's, 3300 Rural St.
- Sat 01/21**
- Sun 01/22 3rd Sunday after Epiphany**
 - 9:00 am 'Believe' Study in the Parlor
 - 9:00 Sunday School: PreK-grade 5 in 104; grades 6-12 in Balcony West
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 - 2:00 JFON Clinic for Volunteers on 2nd Floor

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

Forging
 a *Family* of **Faith**



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 15, 2017*