

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

§ Denotes when to stand as you are able

WE GATHER to be NURTURED

Prelude Nimm Von Uns, Herr, Du Treuer Gott
(Take from us, O Faithful God)
Dietrich Buxtehude

Ringing of the Bell

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

§ Call to Worship

LEADER: I arise today, through a mighty strength;

PEOPLE: **God's power to guide me,
God's might to uphold me,**

LEADER: God's wisdom to teach me,
God's eyes to watch over me,

PEOPLE: **God's ear to hear me,
God's word to give me speech,**

LEADER: God's hand to guard me,
God's way to lie before me,

PEOPLE: **God's shield to shelter me,
God's host to secure me.**

ALL: Amen.

-Adapted from a prayer by Saint Patrick

§ Opening Hymn UMH #428 "For the Healing of the Nations"

Sharing of Joys and Journeys
Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Calvin Culpepper

WE ARE NURTURED by GOD'S WORD

Reading from the Psalter, UMH #833

Psalm 112

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. 166

I Corinthians 2

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

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

Anthem

"For the Beauty of the Earth" ~ *arr. John Rutter*

"Extreme Simplicity"
Rev. Calvin Culpepper

Altar flowers are given...
...in memory of Jim's birthday, 2/4,
by Bess Koehn.

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.

Please turn to page 12 in the front of The United Methodist Hymnal.

Offering Our Gifts and Our Selves

Offertory Christ, Unser Herr

(Christ Our Lord)

Dietrich Buxtehude

§ Doxology UMH #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 Music

"Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring"

~ *J.S. Bach*

WE ARE SCATTERED to SERVE

§ Hymn of Sending Forth UMH #438

"Forth in Thy Name, O Lord"

§ Benediction

May all your journeys be led by the brightness of God.

May you be generous with your time and gifts.

May you have the courage to trust the inner voices

and find new ways to the heart of God. **Amen.**

Postlude

Magnificat

~ *Dietrich Buxtehude*

Facetime by the Big Bell

Memory Verse for This Week

"What no eye has seen, nor ear heard,

nor the human heart conceived,

what God has prepared for those who love him".

1 Corinthians 2:9



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!

Don't forget to pick up the Carry-out Lunch you ordered for today! They may be picked up in the Chapel Narthex.

Next Sunday, February 12th, 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.

Now that the holidays are over, Welcome to 2017! The Scrip committee encourages you to keep Scrip purchases going strong. In 2016 \$4100 was earned to contribute to the church's work. Please continue to support this effort. There are always birthdays to celebrate and gift cards are an easy present. For daily lunches there are many cards available, for weekly purchases, you already know about Woodman's, Valli and Mobil. But available for order are Petsmart, Bed, Bath & Beyond, Bergner's, Best Buy, Burger King, Cold Stone Creamery, Cracker Barrel, Dunkin Donuts and Fannie Mae candy. A full list of items can be viewed at the Scrip table on Sundays. Let's keep this worthwhile program growing!

Revision the Stations of the Cross with Rev. Wang on Wednesdays in February, 3:30-5:00, in Room 204. Revitalize your spirituality and your creativity as we create our own 'stations of the cross' for us to use during Lent this year. You don't have to be a master artist - just come!

Holy COW (Church On Wednesday)! on Feb. 8th!

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

Everyone is welcome on Friday, February 17th, 6:30 p.m., in our Chapel for a time of prayerful meditation and introspection in the spirit of Taizé. Come, by the glow of candlelight, and enter the warmth of God's embrace.

For the month of February, Nurture and Outreach is collecting notebooks and paper for Haskell Academy. With the huge emphasis placed on writing in schools, students will need plenty of writing materials. You can drop off the notebooks and paper in the Narthex by the sign for Haskell Academy. The students thank you!

Hot Chocolate for our Neighbors ~ The Nurture/Outreach committee will be handing out cups of hot chocolate and a cookie at the Chapel entrance on Mondays during the month of February.

On February 18, Barrington UMC will be hosting the **2017 Laity Convocation** from 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Bishop Dyck will lead an interactive Bible study. Small interactive group sessions on active listening will also be offered. Everyone is welcome to come enjoy fellowship!

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!

February 5, 2017

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 _____

TODAY'S WORSHIP

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| Greeter: Bob Henbest | Acolyte: Carter Anderson |
| Ushers: The Sandy Gregory Team | Sound Tech: Ryan Welk |
| Video Tech: Steve Ripley | Van Driver: Bob Lutmer |
| Facetime Hosts: Judy Mehren, Geri Ryan | |
| Liturgist: Diane Risley | |

Court St. United Methodist Church at Work This Week

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| Sun 02/05 | 5th 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 |
| | | 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 |
| | | 12:30 pm Stick Ministry in the Sanctuary |
| | | 1:15 Praisin' & Prayin' Puppets in Room 302 |
| Mon 02/06 | | 8:30 am MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103 |
| | | 2:30 pm Rockford Rhythm Intro in Room 307 |
| Tue 02/07 | | 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 |
| | | 1:00 pm Jeremiah Exec Board in the Library |
| | | 5:30 Council Choraleers in the Chapel |
| | | 6:00 JuBellation Rehearsal in Choir Room |
| | | 7:00 Grace Awakening in Room 202 & 209 |
| | | 7:00 Chancel Choir Rehearsal in Choir Room |
| Wed 02/08 | | 8:30 am MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103 |
| | | 9:30 Early Head Start in Room 100 |
| | | 3:30 pm Revisioning Stations of the Cross - Room 204 |
| | | 4:00 Holy COW! -- **see announcements** |
| Thu 02/09 | | 8:30 am MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103 |
| | | 9:30 Early Head Start in Room 100 |
| | | 2:30 pm Rockford Rhythm Intro in Room 307 |
| | | 6:00 Chatterbox @ Ciao Bella, 6500 E. Riverside |
| Fri 02/10 | | 8:30 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 02/11 | | 8:30 am UMM Breakfast @ Stockholm Inn, 2420 Charles St. |
| Sun 02/12 | 6th 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 |
| | | 9:00 Lamplighters (Adult Sunday School) in 209 |
| | | 9:15 Blood Pressure Check in the Narthex |
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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**



I have made up my mind
 not to think about anything
 while I was with you
 except Jesus Christ,
 and to preach him as crucified.

1 Corinthians 2:2
 (Common English Bible)

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 after Epiphany
 February 5, 2017*