

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

§ Denotes when to stand as you are able

## WE GATHER to be NURTURED

Prelude "O God, Who Lookest Down from Heaven"  
*Frederick Wilhelm Zachau*

*Ringing of the Bell*

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

### § Call to Worship

*Leader:* We are the people of God,

**All: Marked by water,**

*Leader:* Claimed by the Spirit,

**All: Precious and honored in God's sight.**

*Leader:* We are the body of Christ,

**All: Gathered around the table,**

*Leader:* Fed by the Bread of Life,

**All: Filled with the cup of joy,**

*Leader:* Strengthened for the new year.

**All: We are the community of faith,**

*Leader:* Following God's star,

**All: Bringing our gifts,**

*Leader:* Seeing the Holy in the ordinary,

**All: And being made new as we travel new roads.**

### § Opening Hymn UMH #568 "Christ for the World We Sing"

Sharing of Joys and Journeys

*Rev. Calvin Culpepper*

Pastoral Prayer

**The Lord's Prayer, UMH #895**

## WE ARE NURTURED by GOD'S WORD

Reading from the Psalter, UMH #840, response 1

**Psalm 119:1-8**

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. 167 I Corinthians 3:1-9

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

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

Hymn of Response UMH #500 (verse 3 is choir only)

**"Spirit of God Descend Upon My Heart"**

"Laboring with God"  
*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

"Elegy"

~ Harold Darke

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

## WE ARE SCATTERED to SERVE

### § Hymn of Sending Forth UMH #581

**"Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service"**

### § Benediction

Brothers and sisters, co-laborers with God,

go out to feed others, hungry in body and spirit.

Serve with righteousness and faithfulness,

offering reconciliation in Christ to friend and foe. **Amen.**

Postlude

"Allegro in Eb Major"

~ J.S. Bach

### Facetime by the Big Bell

### Memory Verse for This Week

*"Happy are those whose way is blameless,  
who walk in the law of the Lord."*

Psalm 119:1



Altar flowers are given...

...in memory of Carl's birthday, 2/14,  
by Geri Ryan.



**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 a booklet insert in this bulletin 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. 15th!

**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.

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!

**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! And.....**for the month of March, we are collecting small hand lotions and chap sticks for Haskell school kids.** There will be a box in Narthex.

**For Love Rockford on April 29th, we are accepting men's, women's and children's clothing of all sizes, belts, socks, but NO footwear of any kind.** Anyone who has already donated footwear can either take them back or leave them, and they will be donated to another organization. Bring donations to Room 109, across from CSUMC's office.

**Read The Cinderella Murder by Mary Higgins Clark for Book Club!**

*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 12, 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**

- Greeter:** Bess Koehn
- Ushers:** The Sandy Gregory Team
- Video Tech:** Steve Ripley
- Facetime Hosts:** Breakfast Club
- Acolyte:** Ella Anderson
- Sound Tech:** Tim Welk
- Van Driver:** Tim Gorman
- Liturgist:** Lorelle Wandell

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

- 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
  - 10:00 Worship Service in the Sanctuary
  - 11:15 Facetime by the Big Bell
  - 11:15 Blood Pressure Check in the Narthex
  - 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 02/13**
  - 8:30 am MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103
  - 11:00 Stewardship Committee in the Library
  - 2:30 pm Rockford Rhythm Intro in Room 307
  - 4:00 SPRC in Room 209
  - 5:00 Council of Ministries in the Parlor
  - 6:00 Worship Committee in the Parlor
- Tue 02/14**
  - 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 Council Choraleers in the Chapel
  - 5:30 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 02/15 Chimes DEADLINE**
  - 8:30 am MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103
  - 9:30 Early Head Start in Room 100
  - 9:30 Deborah Circle @ 4202 Schmitt Lane
  - 11:30 Dorcas Circle @ Anderson Gardens, 318 Spring Creek Rd.
  - 3:30 pm Revisioning Stations of the Cross - Room 204
  - 4:00 Holy COW! -- \*\*see announcements\*\*
  - 5:30 N IL Wood Turners in the Youth Center
- Thu 02/16**
  - 8:30 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
  - 2:30 Rockford Rhythm Intro in Room 307
- Fri 02/17**
  - 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
  - 6:30 Worship in the Spirit of Taizé in the Chapel
- Sat 02/18**
  - 9:00 am Laity Convocation @ Barrington UMC
- Sun 02/19 7th Sunday after Epiphany**
  - 9:00 am 'Believe' Study in the Parlor
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  - 11:15 Children's Choir, lower level Choir Room
  - 11:30 Christian Education 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 @ 4250 Ahlstrand Dr.

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

**F**orging  
a *Family* of **Faith**



I planted,  
Apollos watered,  
but God  
*gave the growth.*

1 Corinthians 3:6, NRSV

*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.

*6th Sunday after Epiphany  
February 12, 2017*