

ORDER OF WORSHIP

10:00 WORSHIP SERVICE

Forging a *Family* of **Faith**



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
April 16, 2017*



Easter Flowers

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

In memory of **Daniel Barnhart, Erma & John Kerns, Hazel Barnhart, Sandy Daulton, Elizabeth Maniscalco** and in honor of **Daniel & Alex Maniscalco, Catherine Barnhart & Allen Maniscalco** by Norma Lee Kerns & Bill Barnhart.

In memory of **Evie Campbell** and **Gladys Campbell** by the Campbell Family.

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

In honor of **Parker James Geary, Carson Amelia Geary,** and **Thomas Geoffery James Crow** by Poppy James Crow.

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

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

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

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

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

In memory of my dad, **Howard Dean,** by Teresa Field.

In memory of **Clark, Gordon & Ruth Galloway,** and **Frances Goss** by Kay & Guy Galloway.

In honor of our Parish Nurse, **Teresa Field,** by Georgalee George.

In loving memory of **Annette's parents, two sisters,** and **Larry's Dad** by Larry & Annette Gillette.

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

In memory of **Carol Gunderson** by Barbara & Clement Gunderson.

In honor of our grandchildren **Addy King, Natalie Musso, Nicholas Musso,** and **Brandt King,** by Randiann & Brian King.

In loving memory of our son, **Kraig Kint**, and our parents, **Bill & Eleanor Ades** and **King & Ida Kint** by Karl & Marge Kint.

In memory of **Arne Larson** by Marilyn Larson.

In honor of **Family & Friends** by Diane & Bob Lutmer.

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

In memory of **Vic McCauley** by Lois McCauley.

In memory of **Larry Wakefield**, and in honor of **Lorna Wakefield** by Becky & Rick McGinnis

In memory of **Sherry Blascoe** and **Trafari**, Fred's gift of life donor, by Fred & Judy Mehren.

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

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

In thanks to **James Marck** for sharing his music ministry with Court Street by Glenn & Gail Palmer.

To **the Glory of God** by Geri Ryan.

In memory of **Dorothy Loehr**, **Bill & Ella Shindel**, and **Sharon Hauch**, and in honor of **Calvin & Gwen Culpepper** by Bruce & Nancy Shindel.

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

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

In honor of **all my friends & ride givers** by Lorna Wakefield.

In Thanksgiving to **God for all of His Blessings** 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

Instrumental Selection
“The Stone is Rolled Away”

*Mark Nelson Brass
Chancel Choir*

Ringing of the Bell

§ Call to Worship

Rev. Calvin Culpepper

Leader: Praise God, for He has guided us through the night.

***People:* God is always with us - as close as by our side.**

Leader: Let us rejoice and be glad! Even our physical bodies have hope.

***People:* For God will not leave us in death - just as He has not left his Son in the tomb.**

Leader: This morning we light the Christ Candle to remind us that in Christ is life and that life is the light for all people. The light has pierced the darkness and the darkness can never overtake the light - the one true Light which is found in Jesus Christ. (*Light the Christ Candle.*)

Leader: Let us pray.

***All:* O God, we give you praise, honor, and glory for bringing us new life through your Son, Jesus Christ. We rejoice in knowing that we will rise from death like Christ and, in so doing, will live eternally with you. Amen.**

§ Processional Hymn (On Screen) “Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”

~ Craig Courtney

Sharing of Joys and Journeys
Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Calvin Culpepper

WE ARE NURTURED by GOD’S WORD

Reading from the Psalter UMH #839, response 2

Psalm 118:14-29

Hymn FWS #2129

“I Have Decided to Follow Jesus”

Children’s Message

James L. Crow

Hymn FWS #2026

“Halle, Halle, Halleluja”

§ Second Scripture Lesson - New Testament p. 114

John 20:1-18

Leader: This is the Gospel of our Lord, Jesus Christ, according to John.

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

Sermon

“Victory!”

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

§ **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
Instrumental Selection
“The Strife Is O’er” (On Screen)

Mark Nelson Brass
~ Craig Courtney

WE ARE SCATTERED to SERVE

§ **Hymn of Sending Forth UMH #89** **“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”**
*As we sing this hymn, please come forward to stand with the choir
if you wish to join in singing “The Hallelujah Chorus.”*

§ Benediction

Leader: He is risen!

***People:* He is risen indeed!**

Leader: Therefore, go in the power of this risen Christ to work, live, love and serve, for the resurrection has changed everything. You have nothing to fear. You are never alone. Sin and death will not have the final word. We are more than conquerors through him who loves us, who gave his life for us and who now sits at God’s right hand interceding on our behalf. Go in peace, for Christ is risen!

***People:* He is risen indeed! Hallelujah! Amen.**

Prelude to a New Life in Christ

“The Hallelujah Chorus”

~ G.F. Handel

Postlude

Mark Nelson Brass



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!

The Church is Closed Monday, April 17th.

Don't forget Garden Bazaar pre-orders & payment are due April 18th! Make checks payable to Court St. UMC. Pre-orders can be picked up May 19 & 20 at the church. Order forms are in the Narthex.

Holy COW (Church On Wednesday)! on April 19th!

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

Worship in the Spirit of Taizé @ Tabor Lutheran, 2233 12th Ave., Friday, April 21, 6:30 p.m.

All are welcome to enjoy 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.

Come to the N. Main St. Culver's (1224 Bennington Rd.) on Monday, April 24th, from 5 - 8 p.m. for 'Share (Scoobie) 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 for our church, purchase Culver's cards from our Scrip program.

For the month of April, Nurture & Outreach is collecting playground balls, soccer balls, etc. for Haskell Academy students. There is a box in the Narthex for your contributions.

It's time for another Quilt Raffle with the winner to be chosen on Sunday, May 21st. See one of the Quilters for your chance to be the winner. \$1.00 per ticket or \$5.00 for 6 tickets. Proceeds to benefit Court St. and its outreach ministries.

Follow Christ in his servant footsteps. Volunteer to help serve communion and be a servant of Christ. Please call Nancy Stanis, 815-654-0045, and tell her you are willing to serve. Normally we have communion once a month so that would be the most frequent you would serve.

Mark your calendar for the upcoming events (*more info to come*):

Food-Fun-Fellowship is coming back Thursday, May 4, 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

UMW's Spring Fling Dinner is coming Sunday, May 7, after worship - see insert

Children's Choir will present "100% Chance of Rain" on Sunday, May 14, 10:00 a.m.

Celebration of 50 year members at 10:00 a.m. worship on Sunday, May 14

Garden Bazaar 2017 will be held Friday, May 19, & Saturday, May 20

Pancakes & Praise Service is returning 8:00 a.m., Sunday, May 21

Puppet Camp will be held Monday thru Friday, July 10-14, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Performing Arts Camp will be held for 2 weeks, Monday thru Friday, July 24-Aug. 4

Court St. United Methodist Church at Work This Week

Sun 04/16 Easter Sunday

6:00 am Sunrise Service in the Chapel

7:00 Easter Breakfast in the Dining Room

10:00 Celebration Service in the Sanctuary

Mon 04/17 CHURCH IS CLOSED - Happy Easter!

Tue 04/18 GARDEN BAZAAR PRE-ORDERS ARE DUE

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

7:00 pm Grace Awakening in Room 202 & 209

Wed 04/19 **8:30 am** MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103

9:30 Early Head Start in Room 100

9:30 Deborah Circle @ 5250 Harvey Rd.

11:30 Dorcas Circle @Ciao Bella, 6500 E. Riverside, Loves Park

4:00 pm Holy COW! -- **see announcements**

5:30 N IL Wood Turners in Youth Center

Thu 04/20 **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

Fri 04/21 **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

10:00 Money 101 in the Parlor

1:30 pm Early Head Start in Room 100

6:30 Worship in the Spirit of Taizé, Tabor Lutheran Church, 2233 12th Ave.

Sat 04/22 **9:00 am** Rockford Rhythm in Gym

11:00 Celebration of Carol J. Scott's Life in the Sanctuary

Sun 04/23 2nd Sunday of Easter

9:00 am Sunday School: PreK-grade 5 (104), grades 6-12 (Balcony W)

9:00 'Believe' Study in the Parlor

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 in Choir Room/Crafts in Dining Room

11:30 Christian Education Committee in Dining Room

12:30 pm Praisin' & Prayin' Puppets in Room 302

1:15 Stick Ministry in the Sanctuary

2:00 JFON Clinic on the Second Floor

4:00 CSUMC Book Club @ 4134 Tumbleweed Trail, Loves Park

We thank the following people for enhancing our worship:

Chancel Choir

JuBellation Handbell Choir

Mark Nelson Brass

TODAY'S WORSHIP

Greeter: Donna Dow

Sound Tech: Stan Tunnell

Ushers: The Sue Cram Team

Van Driver: Tim Gorman

Video Tech: Steve Ripley

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Liturgist: Randiann King

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