

Parents -Please escort your children to the restrooms.

Thank you.

§ Denotes when to stand as you are able

## WE GATHER to be NURTURED

Prelude "Fairest Lord Jesus" ~ Kinyon  
JuBellation Handbell Choir

Ringing of the Bell

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

### § Call to Worship

L. This is a day of new beginnings, time to remember,  
and move on,

**P. Time to believe what love is bringing,  
laying to rest the pain that's gone.**

L. For by the life and death of Jesus,  
love's mighty Spirit, now as then,

**P. Can make for us a world of difference  
as faith and hope are born again.**

L. Then let us, with the Spirit's daring,  
step from the past, and leave behind

**P. Our disappointment, guilt and grieving,  
seeking new paths, and sure to find.**

L. Christ is alive, and goes before us  
to show and share what love can do.

**P. This is a day of new beginnings;  
our God is making all things new.**

Brian Wren, *Piece Together Praise: A Theological Journey*,  
(Hope Publishing, 1996), 148.

### § Opening Hymn UMH #57, verses 1 & 2

"O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

Sharing of Joys and Journeys Rev. Calvin Culpepper

Chautauqua Chat

Stephen Douglas Oratory on "Save the Flag"

Pastoral Prayer

Prayer Response UMH #92, verses 1 & 2

"For the Beauty of the Earth"

## WE ARE NURTURED by GOD'S WORD

Epistle Reading - New Testament p. 225 Hebrews 11:1-13

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

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

Hymn FWS #2129, vs 1 "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"

The children are invited to come forward as we sing.

Children's Message

"Jesus is Our LUCKY CHARM"

James L. Crow

Hymn - see screens, vs 1

"This Little Light of Mine"

Epistle Reading - New Testament p. 198 Philippians 3:4b-14

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

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

"Praising and Pressing Towards the Promise!"

Rev. Calvin Culpepper

## WE RESPOND to GOD'S WORD

Hymn of Response UMH #327, verses 1 & 2

"Crown Him with Many Crowns"

Offering Our Gifts and Our Selves

Offertory "Old Hundredth Psalm Tune" ~ Vaughan Williams

Chancel Choir

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

## WE ARE SCATTERED to SERVE

§ Hymn of Sending Forth UMH #64, verses 1 & 2

"Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty"

§ Benediction

Christ Jesus has made us his own. Press on toward the goal of  
knowing Christ and the power of his resurrection. Press on to  
that upward call of God in Jesus Christ.

May the Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord be kind and  
gracious to you; and look upon you with favor. May the Lord  
grant you peace. *Amen.*

§ Choral Benediction

"The Lord Bless You and Keep You" ~ John Rutter

Postlude "Prelude & Fugue in F major" ~ J.S. Bach

## 165 Chautauqua on the Lower Level

Memory Verse for This Week

"Faith is the assurance of things hoped for,  
the conviction of things not seen."

Hebrews 11:1



Altar Flowers are given...

...in honor of our 35th Wedding Anniversary, October 9th,

by Bert & Scott Cromwell.



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!

**165 Chautauqua is here!** This involves Morning Worship and an after-worship Celebration from 11:30 am - 1:00 pm. The Celebration will include a light meal (sandwiches and salads) concurrent with a Variety Show consisting of puppets, music, recitation, art, history highlights, movement, and more. You are encouraged to participate!

**We will be taking a special offering TODAY to help us meet our Apportionment.** There is an insert to help you understand the importance of this offering. You may make your check out to CSUMC with "Apportionment" on the memo line.

**Annual flu shots** will be given in the parlor after the church service next Sunday, October 15th, from our very dedicated nurse, Karen Brown. Please remember to bring your insurance card with you.

**This year's CROP Hunger Walk is next Sunday, October 15.** One fourth of funds raised will be divided among the ten pantries of the Greater Rockford Pantry Coalition. The rest will be used by Church World Service as it seeks to transform communities around the globe. (See its website at [cwsglobal.org](http://cwsglobal.org)) You may walk in person or in spirit with thousands of others around America by contributing to our CROP Hunger Walkers: Dorothy Powell, Joan Tunnell, Barb Ferry, Norma Lee Kerns Barnhart, Tim Gorman, Verlette Gorman, Curly Thompson, Ryanne Ludington, or the youth.

**Consecration Sunday and Potluck Lunch** ~ We will dedicate and celebrate our promises with a potluck luncheon immediately following church on Sunday, October 22nd. There is a sign up chart in the Narthex for you to share your choice of food to provide for the potluck.

**Come to the N. Main St. Culver's (1224 Bennington Rd.) on Monday, October 23rd, from 5 - 8 p.m. for 'Share (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 for our church, purchase Culver's cards from our Scrip program.

**The Family Christian Education Ministry Team, Jeremiah Development and the Coronado Haskell Neighborhood Association will be partnering for this year's Trunk or Treating event on Sunday, October 29th.** We will be adding some fun activities to this year's event - including Court Street's Prayin' & Praisin' Puppets and an Interactive "Thriller" Dance. Join us for the fun! We need donations of candy and volunteers for: Food, Trunks for Trunk or Treating, and General Helpers. The actual **Trunk or Treating** will be from 4:00 - 6:00 PM. Those decorating trunks should arrive at 3:00. Please call Debbie in the SecondFirst Church Office to volunteer, 815-963-8431.

The Nurture Committee is **collecting socks and underwear for Haskell School (grades 1-6) during the months of October and November.** Please put your donation in the Narthex container. Thank you!

**Chimes DEADLINE for November news is October 15th**

*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!**

October 8, 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:** Beverly Maus **Liturgist:** Randiann King  
**Acolyte:** Morgan Whitmore  
**Ushers:** The DuWayne Stanis Team **Sound Tech:** Stan Tunnell  
**Video Tech:** Steve Ripley **Van Driver:** Bob Lutmer

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

- Sun 10/08 18th Sunday after Pentecost/165 Chautauqua**  
 9:00 am **Lamplighters (Adults) in Room 209**  
 9:00 **Youth Gathering-Room 104 & Balcony West**  
 9:00 **'Believe' Study in the Parlor**  
 10:00 **Worship Service in the Sanctuary**  
 11:15 **165 Chautauqua Lunch & Activities**
- Mon 10/09**  
 8:30 am MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103  
 11:00 **Stewardship Committee in the Library**  
 5:30 **SPRC in Room 209**  
 5:30 **Worship Committee in the Parlor**
- Tue 10/10**  
 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**  
 5:00 pm Council Choraleers in the Chapel  
 5:30 **Trustee Committee in the Library**  
 6:00 **JuBellation Handbell Choir in Choir Room**  
 7:00 Grace Awakening in Room 202 & 209  
 7:00 **Chancel Choir in the Choir Room**
- Wed 10/11**  
 8:30 am MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103  
 9:30 Early Head Start in Room 100
- Thu 10/12**  
 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  
 6:00 **Chatterbox Supper @ Toni's, Winnebago**
- Fri 10/13**  
 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  
 4:00 **Goodman/Bradford Rehearsal in Sanctuary**
- Sat 10/14**  
 8:30 am **UMM Breakfast @ Stockholm Inn**  
 10:00 **Fine Arts Saturday Troupe (FAST) rehearsal**  
 12:00 pm **Goodman/Bradford Wedding in Sanctuary**
- Sun 10/15 19th Sunday after Pentecost/Chimes DEADLINE**  
 9:00 am **Lamplighters (Adults) in Room 209**  
 9:00 **'Believe' Study in the Parlor**  
 9:00 **Youth Gathering-Room 104 & Balcony West**  
 10:00 **Worship Service in the Sanctuary**  
 11:15 **Facetime by the Big Bell**  
 11:15 **Youth Choir/Sunday School/Lunch**  
 11:15 **Christian Ed Committee in the Dining Room**  
 1:00 pm **CROP Walk Registration @ 711 N. Main St.**  
 4:00 **CSUMC Book Club**

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**  
 10:00 WORSHIP SERVICE



*& Growing in Love*



*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.

*18th Sunday after Pentecost/165 Chautauqua  
 October 8, 2017*