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

§ Denotes when to stand as you are able

WE GATHER to be NURTURED

Prelude

"The Lord's Prayer"

~ arr. Constantine

Ringing of the Bell

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

§ Call to Worship

LEADER: Taste and see that the Lord is good.

PEOPLE: Blessed is the one who takes refuge in God.

LEADER: For in the shadow of the Almighty,

we are clothed with compassion and love.

ALL: As the Lord showers mercy upon all who fear God, may we respond in humble display of gentle care toward one another.

§ Opening Hymn UMH #361

"Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me"

Sharing of Joys and Journeys

Rev. Calvin Culpepper

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer, UMH #895

WE ARE NURTURED by GOD'S WORD

Psalter Reading UMH #819

Psalm 99

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

The children are invited to come forward as we sing.

Children's Message

"GIVE IT UP FOR Cinnamon Toast Crunch" James L. Crow

Hymn - see screens, vs 1

"This Little Light of Mine"

§ Gospel Reading - New Testament p. 24

Matthew 22:15-22

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

People: Glory to you, O Lord.

"So...what's in your wallet?" Rev. Calvin Culpepper

WE RESPOND to GOD'S WORD

Offering Our Pledges, Our Gifts, and Our Selves "Cry Out and Shout" Offertory

Chancel Choir

~ Knut Nystedt

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

WE ARE SCATTERED to SERVE

§ Hymn of Sending Forth UMH #261

"Lord of the Dance"

§ Benediction

Jesus said that he came so that we might have life and have it abundantly. Go, therefore, and live -- and give -- as those who serve the Creator, the Maker, and Ruler of heaven and Earth, whose love and blessings know no limit. Amen.

§ Choral Benediction

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

Postlude

"Minuet in G"

~ J.S. Bach

Potluck Celebration in the Dining Room

Memory Verse for This Week

"Extol the Lord our God, and worship at his holy mountain; for the Lord our God is holy." Psalm 99:9

Call the Office, (815) 962-6061, or place in the offering plate the name of your loved one who has passed away since November 6, 2016, to include them in our Naming on November 5th.

Pancakes & Praise is happening Sunday, November 5 8:00 a.m. Pancakes in the Dining Room - Freewill donation 9:00 a.m. Praise in the Chapel with Lou Ness, Rockford Police Chaplain Supervisor



We welcome you, member or visitor, as we some shiping God this morning. We pray you will be blessed and

We celebrate our promises of what we are giving back to God next year with a potluck luncheon in the Dining Room immediately following worship TODAY.

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.

Next Sunday, October 29, we will be taking a special offering, United Voices for Children, to benefit ChildServ, MYSI Corp, and **Rosecrance.** As a network of child advocates, United Voices for Children keeps the needs of the voiceless, powerless little ones before the church and the community. You may make your check out to CSUMC, with "5th Sunday Appeal" in the memo line. We will have an envelope inserted next week for your convenience.

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 - 6:00PM. 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!

Blessing of the Badges will take place Wednesday, November 1, at **6:00 p.m., in our Chapel.** Come support our community's public safety personnel in a special worship service during which Pastor Cal will bless each person, praying for their health and safety. Refreshments will be offered following the service.

Save the date for the United Methodist Women's Memorial Luncheon on Wednesday, November 1st, at Noon. If you, men or women, would like to come to this Memorial Luncheon and/or have a person who has died since our last memorial luncheon, and you would like them remembered, call Geri, (815) 877-2141, with your reservation and the name to be read. If you prefer to come and only name that person wordlessly in your heart, that is fine also. I do need all reservations (and names to be honored) by the end of Sunday – Oct 29th. The cost for lunch is still only \$7.00.

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 <u>The Chimes</u>.

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WELCOME! October 22, 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 arade grade Name age grade age Name Street State City (w) Phone (h) E-mail

TODAY'S WORSHIP

Greeters: Jay & Perky Heath Liturgist: Cindy Anderson

Acolyte: Carter Anderson

Ushers: The DuWayne Stanis TeamVideo Tech: Steve RipleySound Tech: Brian MeliganVan Driver: Bruce Shindel

Court St. United Methodist Church at Work This Week

Sun 10/22 20th Sunday after Pentecost/Consecration Sunday 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 Consecration Potluck in the Dining Room

11:15 Happy Days Youth Activities begin

Mon 10/23 8:30 am MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103

12:00 pm Nurture & Outreach in the Dining Room 5:00 Share (Scoopie) Night @ Culver's on N. Main

(1224 Bennington Rd.)

Tue 10/24 8:30 am MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103

9:00 **Ouilters 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

6:00 JuBellation Handbell Choir in Choir Room

6:15 Knitters @ 4250 Ahlstrand Dr.

7:00 Grace Awakening in Room 202 & 209

7:00 Chancel Choir in the Choir Room

Wed 10/25 8:30 am MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103

9:30 Early Head Start in Room 100

Thu 10/26 8:30 am MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103

9:30 Early Head Start in Room 100 1:00 pm Chimes stuffing in the Library

1:00 The Journeymen in the Parlor

2:30 Early Head Start in Room 100

Fri 10/27 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

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Sat 10/27 10:00 am Fine Arts Saturday Troupe (FAST) rehearsal

Sun 10/28 21st Sunday after Pentecost

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 Happy Days Youth Activities begin

4:00 pm Trunk or Treat @ 2nd/1st

ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:00 WORSHIP SERVICE



MATTHEW 22:21, NRSV

E growing in John



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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.

20th Sunday after Pentecost/Consecration Sunday October 22, 2017