

Parents -Please escort your children to the restrooms.

Thank you.

§ Denotes when to stand as you are able

Day of Call

WE GATHER to be NURTURED

Prelude Bist du Bei Mir (Are You with Me) ~ J.S. Bach

Ringing of the Bell

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

§ Call to Worship

Leader: Speak, Lord, for thy servant heareth.

People: Grant us ears to hear,

Eyes to see,

Wills to obey,

Hearts to love.

Leader: Then declare what thou wilt.

People: Reveal what thou wilt,
Command what thou wilt,
Demand what thou wilt.

~ Christina Rossetti (1830-1894)

§ Opening Hymn UMH #117 "O God, Our Help in Ages Past"

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 Psalms - p. 537 Psalm 78:1-7

Leader: This is the Word of God for the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

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

The children are invited to come forward as we sing.

Children's Message

"Cap'n Crunch - Don't let your Faith get Soggy"

James L. Crow

Hymn - see screens, vs 1 "This Little Light of Mine"

Old Testament Reading - p. 698 Jeremiah 1:4-10

Leader: This is the Word of God for the People of God

People: Thanks be to God.

"The Lord Needs You!"

Rev. Calvin Culpepper

WE RESPOND to GOD'S WORD

Please refer to the 'Baptism' insert.

Baptism *Luke Reno Grigoletti-Kurokawa*

Offering Our Gifts and Our Selves

Offertory "For the Beauty of the Earth"

~ Rutter

Chancel Choir

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

WE ARE SCATTERED to SERVE

§ Hymn of Sending Forth UMH #717

"The Battle Hymn of the Republic"

§ Benediction

Go now to pursue your calling.

Silence any noise that threatens to drown out God's words
of love and wisdom to you.

Listen for Christ's teaching

in the places and people around you.

Be prepared for the powerful movement of the Spirit,
for it will sustain you,

especially when God's voice seems hard to hear.

May God's voice echo all around you,

sharing words of challenge, bringing songs of peace.

Alleluia! *Amen.*

§ Choral Benediction

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

Postlude

Lobe den Herren (Praise to the Lord, the Almighty)

Hans Friedrich Micheelsen

Turkey Bingo in the Dining Room

Memory Verse for This Week

"See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms,

to pluck up and to pull down,

to destroy and to overthrow,

to build and to plant."

Jeremiah 1:10

Altar Flowers are given...

...in honor of my sister Esther Barnes' 97th birthday on Oct 31st,
by Alice Pigott.

...in memory of what would have been the 75th wedding anniversary

on Nov. 14th, for our parents Harlan & Charlene Dull,

by their children Bobby and Lana & their grandchildren.



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!

The Elementary Sunday School students have been studying the scriptures! They have placed 9 specially painted scripture rocks around the Sanctuary and Narthex. How many can you spot?

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

Plan now to attend Lunch and Turkey Bingo TODAY following our Worship Service. Free-will donation gets you lunch of Chili or Turkey with Dumplings and a bingo card. Proceeds to go towards Youth Summer Camps and Fine Arts Ministries.

TODAY we will be taking a special offering to help us meet our Apportionment. There is insert to help you understand the importance of this offering. You may make your check out to CSUMC with "Apportionment" on the memo line, and use the enclosed envelope so marked.

Join us on Thursday, November 16th, 6:30 p.m., in the Chapel for a time of prayerful meditation and introspection in the spirit of Taizé. All are welcome to come, by the glow of candlelight, and enter the warmth of God's embrace.

Next Sunday we will take a special offering for Bread for the World, a collective Christian voice urging our nation's decision makers to end hunger at home and abroad. They work to change the conditions and policies that allow hunger to persist and is sustained by contributions. There will be an insert and envelope in next week's bulletin.

Because of Bethlehem You Have a Savior in Heaven ~ You are invited to a 4-session, video-based study by Max Lucado. Meeting each Sunday, from Nov. 26th through Dec. 17, choose between 11:30 a.m. in the Church Parlor or 3:30 p.m. at 5772 Pepper Dr. Sign up sheets in the Narthex. Purchase a book for \$11 from the Church Office.

Purchase your Christmas Poinsettias from our youth for as little as \$12. Order blanks are in the Narthex. Turn in money & order form by Nov. 30th; pick up will be Sunday, Dec. 10th from 11am to 1 pm in the Chapel Narthex. Proceeds will help support 2018 Youth activities.

December 10th (Sunday) is our yearly, and always anticipated, Brunch, Bakery, and Bazaar. If you are interested in having a table for your items to sell, please call 815-877-2141.

The Stewardship Committee would like to thank all who have submitted their 2018 commitment card. If you have not had the opportunity to complete and return a pledge card, we seek your prayerful consideration to do so. Cards are available from an usher or in the Narthex.

Christmas wreaths will be available for pickup on Sunday, Dec. 10th, between 11 am & 1 pm, in the Chapel Narthex. Cost ranges from \$25 to \$75, depending on size. Turn in money & order form by Friday, Dec. 1st, payable to UMW. Order forms available in Narthex.

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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TODAY'S WORSHIP

Greeter: Kay Pang **Liturgist:** Karen Brown
Acolyte: Ella Anderson
Ushers: The Sandy Gregory Team **Sound Tech:** Tim Welk
Video Tech: Steve Ripley **Van Driver:** Tim Gorman

Court St. United Methodist Church at Work This Week

Sun 11/12 23rd Sunday after Pentecost
 9:00 am **Lamplighters (Adults) in Room 209**
 9:00 **'Believe' Study in the Parlor**
 10:00 **Worship Service in the Sanctuary**
 11:30 **Turkey Bingo in the Dining Room**
 1:30 pm **Prayin' & Praisin' Puppets Rehearsal**

Mon 11/13
 8:30 am MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103
 5:00 pm **Council of Ministries in the Parlor**
 5:30 **SPRC in Room 209**
 5:30 **Worship Team in the Parlor**

Tue 11/14
 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**
 11:30 **Local Missions Meeting @ WW Town Center**
 5:00 pm Council Choraleers in the Chapel
 5:00 **Thanksgiving Team in the Parlor**
 5:30 **Trustees 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 11/15 Chimes DEADLINE
 8:30 am MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103
 9:30 Early Head Start in Room 100
 9:30 **Deborah Circle @ Stockholm Inn**
 11:30 **Dorcas Circle @ Cucina di Rosa**
 5:30 pm N IL Wood Turners in the Youth Center

Thu 11/16
 8:30 am MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103
 9:30 Early Head Start in Room 100
 1:00 pm **The Journeymen in the Parlor**
 6:30 **Taizé Worship in the Chapel**

Fri 11/17
 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

Sat 11/18 10:00 am Fine Arts Saturday Troupe (FAST) rehearsal

Sun 11/19 24th Sunday after Pentecost/Thanksgiving Sunday
 9:00 am **Lamplighters (Adults) in Room 209**
 9:00 **'Believe' Study in the Parlor**
 10:00 **Worship Service in the Sanctuary**
 11:15 **Facetime by the Big Bell**
 11:15 **Happy Days Youth Activities begin**
 11:30 **Christian Ed Team in the Dining Room**
 4:00 pm **CSUMC Book Club**

ORDER OF WORSHIP
 10:00 WORSHIP SERVICE



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.

*23rd Sunday after Pentecost
 November 12, 2017*

WELCOME! November 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 _____