

Parents -Please escort your children to the restrooms.
Also, please keep your personal belongings with you at all times.
Thank you.

§ Denotes when to stand as you are able

WE GATHER to be NURTURED

Prelude "Epilogue" ~ Norman Gilbert

Ringing of the Bell

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

§ Call to Worship

Leader: For just this hour --

People: Follow me;

Leader: Listen to my word --

People: Follow me;

Leader: Think about your life as my disciple every day --

People: Follow me;

Leader: Pray --

People: Follow me;

Leader: Sing --

People: Follow me;

Leader: Come, let us worship God!

*~Inspired by Jonah 3, and written by Carolyn Brown,
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§ 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

Old Testament Reading - p. 860 Jonah 3:1-5, 10

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 "The Call" *James L. Crow*

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

§ Gospel Reading - New Testament p. 35 Mark 1:14-20

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

People: Glory to you, O Lord.

"God Is Calling: Are You Hanging Up?"

Rev. Calvin Culpepper

WE RESPOND to GOD'S WORD

Anthem "Joy in the Morning" ~ Natalie Sleeth

Offering Our Gifts and Our Selves
Offertory "A Gaelic Melody" ~ Hal Hopson

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

WE ARE SCATTERED to SERVE

§ Hymn of Sending Forth UMH #110 "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

§ Benediction

Leader: As you go out into the world --
At home with your household --
At school and work --
In everything you do this week --

People: Follow me;

Leader: And as you do, remember that I am with you always,
even to the end of the world.
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Choral Benediction "Amen"

Postlude

"Rise Up and Serve the Lord" ~ Arr. Patricia Lou Harris

Facetime by the Big Bell

Memory Verse for This Week

"When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways,
God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would
bring upon them; and he did not do it."

Jonah 3:10



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!

Looking for volunteers to help clean the kitchen on Friday, January 26, from 9 to 11 AM. Cleaning supplies and towels will be provided.

TODAY we are taking a special offering for Human Relations. Please see your insert and envelope for more information.

The 2018 Altar Flower chart is posted outside the church office on the bulletin board. Sign up now to get your favorite date to honor or memorialize someone you love.

If you requested 2018 Offering Envelopes, please check in the Narthex for your name on the batches of envelopes. If you want envelopes and do not find your name, please contact the Church Office.

Start your New Year out right and volunteer to be a Communion server. Those who have served say that it is a personal, very meaningful event. Please contact Nancy Stanis, 815-988-9601 or Joan Tunnell, 815-397-6280. Thank you.

The Nurture Committee is still collecting winter Hats, Mittens, and Scarves for Haskell Academy students during January. The drop off box is in the Narthex. Thank You in advance for the supplies that are needed for the children.

Blanket Sunday is coming! Start saving your dollars to throw in the blanket! Last year 2,755 blankets were given out in the US - some even came to Illinois. Each warm blanket only costs \$10.

Angel Tree Thank You ~ Thanks to ALL of you for your financial support, for purchasing and wrapping gifts for the children, and for your prayers. Because of your generosity, gifts were purchased for 55 children from 11 families in our church neighborhood and in the nearby area. Each child received two gifts on behalf of the incarcerated parent. In addition, extra funds were left over to provide \$25 or more in grocery gift cards to each family based upon size of family or need. Thanks also to those of you who helped organize and deliver the gifts to the families. May God bless you all, for it is in giving that we are richly blessed. We ask that you continue to pray for the incarcerated parents and their families. This year we had some unusually large households where a caregiver was taking care of from 4 to 12 children and/or grandchildren. Quite a challenge and strain on a grandparent or caregiver so gift cards were well received and appreciated. Religious pamphlets were gift wrapped and delivered to the families also. Barb and Gene Ferry

The next Waffles & Worship will be Sunday, February 4, starting at 8:00 a.m. in the Dining Room. Free-will donation for breakfast. Communion will also be served. All are welcome!

Start answering God's call by getting closer to Him through Bible study. Our Lenten Study will be Max Lucado's 'He Chose the Nails'. Yes, it may be inconvenient. Yes, it may take some time. But, yes, it is worth it. After all, He chose the nails because He loves you.

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!

January 21, 2018

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 _____	age _____	grade _____
Name _____	age _____	grade _____
Name _____	age _____	grade _____

Street _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Phone (h) _____ (w) _____
 E-mail _____

TODAY'S WORSHIP

Greeters: Judy & Milt Schmitt	Acolyte: Hannah Whitmore
Ushers: The Sue Cram Team	Sound Tech: Brian Meligan
Video Tech: Steve Ripley	Van Driver: Dan Boon
Facetime Hostesses: Geri Ryan, Judy Mehren	
Liturgist: Lorelle Wandell	

Court St. United Methodist Church at Work This Week

Sun 01/21 3rd Sunday after Epiphany
 9:00 am Lamplighters (Adults) in Room 209
 9:00 'Believe' Study in the Parlor
 10:00 Worship Service in the Sanctuary
 11:15 Finance Team in the Library
 11:15 Facetime by the Big Bell
 11:15 Happy Days Youth Activities
 11:30 Christian Ed Team in the Dining Room
 4:00 pm CSUMC Book Club @ 4347 Applewood Ln.

Mon 01/22
 8:30 am MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103
 11:00 Stewardship Team in the Library
 2:30 pm YAVO on 3rd floor

Tue 01/23
 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
 6:00 JuBellation Handbells in Choir Room
 6:15 Knitting Group @ 4250 Ahlstrand Dr.
 7:00 Chancel Choir in the Choir Room
 7:00 Grace Awakening in Room 202

Wed 01/24
 8:30 am MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103
 9:30 Early Head Start in Room 100
 6:00 pm Praise Team in the Dining Room

Thu 01/25
 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
 1:00 Chimes stuffing in the Library
 2:30 YAVO on 3rd floor

Fri 01/26
 8:30 MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103
 9:00 Cleaning Church Kitchen - Help please!
 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 01/27 Rkfd Dist Leadership Training @ Faith UMC, Freeport

Sun 01/28 4th Sunday after Epiphany
 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
 2:00 pm JFON Clinic on 2nd Floor

ORDER OF WORSHIP
 10:00 WORSHIP SERVICE

Have with God
Are
God Is Calling You
Hanging Up?

& 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.

3rd Sunday after Epiphany
January 21, 2018