

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

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

*Ringing of the Bell - Please use this to begin focusing for worship.*

Prelude

### § Call to Worship

*L.* Come, people of God, leave the cares of your day and the concerns of your life. Come and be filled with the presence of God.

**P. We will rejoice and be glad in God's presence.**

*L.* Gather together, people of God, for God has set aside this moment for refreshment of your spirits.

**P. We will rejoice and give thanks for God's care.**

*L.* Give thanks, people of God, your Savior is doing a new thing in your lives, and the power to receive it is in your hands.

**P. We will rejoice and celebrate for the love of our God.**

*~ Gennifer Benjamin Brooks, Praise the Lord: Litanies, Prayers and Occasional Services (Lima, Ohio: CSS Publishing, 1996), 51.*

### § Opening Hymn UMH #110 "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

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 Psalter UMH #846

Psalm 124

Musical Witness "When I Survey The Wondrous Cross" ~ *Sherman JuBellation Choir*

Hymn UMH #657

"This Is the Day"

*The children are invited to come forward as we sing.*

Children's Message

*Ryanne Ludington*

Hymn FWS #2129, vs 1

"I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"

Reading from the New Testament

James 5:13-20

*Please refer to the Table of Contents to find in your pew Bible.*

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

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

"Prayer that Provokes!"

*Rev Calvin Culpepper*

## WE RESPOND to GOD'S WORD

Offering Our Gifts and Our Selves

Offertory "Christ The Cornerstone" ~ *Anna Laura Page*

*Chancel Choir*

### § Doxology UMH #94

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

## WE ARE SCATTERED to SERVE

### § Hymn of Sending Forth UMH #577

"God of Grace and God of Glory"

### § Benediction

Go forth, children of God, as people who are forgiven and who have much love to share with those who have yet to sense their forgiveness, who have yet to experience God's love. And may the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you and rest upon you and upon those you love. *Amen.*

Choral Response

Postlude

"God of Grace"

~ *Paul Manz*

### Facetime by the Big Bell



*Altar Flowers are given...*

... In loving memory of my mom, Anne Neumann,  
by Janet Davis.

**Dear Congregation, October is National Domestic Violence awareness month.** We hope that you are reading the information in the pew racks and discussing its' impact on the victims. On October 7 Kathy Branning from Remedies will speak at the Waffles and Worship service on domestic violence awareness. Mayor McNamara will do a brief presentation on domestic violence awareness at the 10:00 service. We hope that you will attend one or both of these services and continue to keep the victims in your prayers. *Nurture and Outreach Committee*

**Next Sunday, October 7th, we will celebrate World Communion Sunday and take a special offering.** The World Communion Sunday Offering provides college scholarships for racial and ethnic minority students across the U.S. and worldwide. Our gifts empower the leaders of tomorrow. Please make your check out to 'Court St UMC' with 'World Communion' on the Memo line.



We welcome you, visitor or member, as we join in worshipping God this morning. We are all one family. We pray you will be blessed and invite you to return!

**TODAY 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. Please use the envelope enclosed.

**Waffles & Worship is NEXT Sunday, October 7, starting at 8:00 a.m. in the Dining Room.** Free-will donation for breakfast. This is a modern worship service and communion will be served. All are welcome!

**Get your blood pressure checked for free by our Parish Nurse, Teresa Field, on Sunday, October 7th, in the Narthex before worship.**

**Annual flu shots** will be given in the parlor after the church service on **Sunday, October 7th**, from our very dedicated nurse, Karen Brown. Please remember to bring your insurance card with you.

**Court Street's Annual Church Conference will be held Sunday, October 28 during our 10 a.m. worship service.** SPRC will meet at 9:30 a.m. that morning in the Library. If you are responsible for an online report, you must have it filed by October 14 and submit a copy to the church office. For those of you wishing to submit a written report for the church booklet, the deadline is October 21 to the church office.

**Are you going to be hospitalized?** PLEASE, if you want Pastor Cal and/or Teresa Field (our Parish Nurse) to visit you, CALL the Church Office (or have a member of your family or friend call us) so that we can let Pastor Cal and Teresa know you are there. We do not want you to languish there thinking we are ignoring you.

**"Take Charge of Your Diabetes: Live Well, Be Well"** is being offered again on Wednesdays, October 10 through November 14, at OSF Healthcare Cardiovascular Institute, 444 Roxbury Rd., 2nd floor Auditorium, 1:00-3:30 p.m. Get the support you need and find practical ways to deal with the symptoms of Diabetes. Free. Our Parish Nurse, Teresa Field, will again help lead the workshop.

**Hunger is one of the greatest injustices facing our world today,** but it doesn't have to be... you can feed our neighbors here and around the world! **Join Ryanne and Pastor Cal on Sunday, October 21 for the Rockford CROP Hunger Walk.** It is a very fun, family friendly walk to raise funds and awareness. Register online at [crophungerwalk.org/rockfordil](http://crophungerwalk.org/rockfordil). Can't walk on October 21? Sponsor our team at the same website. Every donation helps end hunger and save lives! Help us reach our goal of 12 walkers and \$1,600 raised! We also need volunteers! Questions: Ryanne Ludington ([ryanneludington@sbcglobal.net](mailto:ryanneludington@sbcglobal.net))

**We are collecting kleenex and hand sanitizer for Haskell Academy students during October.** Please place your donations in the bin in the Narthex. Thank you for your generosity!

*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!**

September 30, 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**

**Greeter:** Kay Galloway **Acolyte:** Rachel Whitmore  
**Ushers:** The Sue Cram Team **Video:** Steve Ripley  
**Sound Tech:** Brian King **Liturgist:** Randiann King  
**Van Driver:** Bob Lutmer  
**Facetime Hostesses:** ??????????????????

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

**Sun 09/30 19th Sunday after Pentecost**  
 9:00 am Sunday School - 104, Dining Room, Balcony West, 209  
 10:00 Worship Service in the Sanctuary  
 11:15 Facetime by the Big Bell  
 11:30 Children's Choir in the Choir Room  
 12:00 pm Praisin' & Prayin' Puppets in Room 302  
 2:00 JFON Clinic on the 2nd Floor

**Mon 10/01**  
 8:30 am MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103  
 3:00 pm YAVO in Youth Center & on 3rd Floor

**Tue 10/02**  
 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  
 3:00 pm YAVO in Youth Center & on 3rd Floor  
 3:30 Staff Meeting in Staff Conference Room  
 5:00 Council Choraleers in the Chapel  
 6:00 JuBellation Rehearsal in the Choir Room  
 6:00 Recovery from Life in the Youth Center  
 7:00 Chancel Choir Rehearsal in the Choir Room  
 7:00 Grace Awakening in Room 202

**Wed 10/03**  
 8:30 am MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103  
 9:30 Early Head Start in Room 100  
 10:30 UMW Mission Team in Room 209  
 3:00 pm YAVO in Youth Center & on 3rd Floor  
 6:00 Praise Team Rehearsal in the Dining Room

**Thu 10/04**  
 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  
 3:00 YAVO in the Youth Center & on 3rd Floor

**Fri 10/05**  
 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  
 3:00 YAVO in Youth Center & on 3rd Floor  
 5:00 Wandell/Gottfred Wedding Rehearsal in the Sanctuary

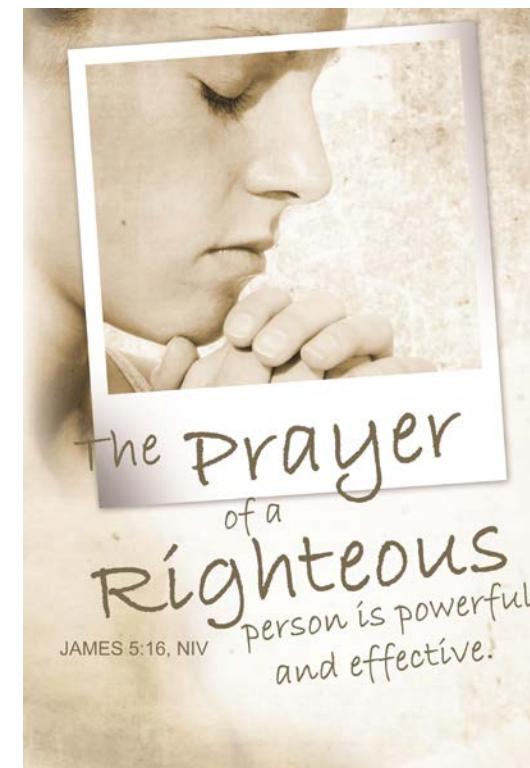
**Sat 10/06**  
 8:00 am Rockford Rhythm/Phantom Regiment 3rd Floor  
 10:00 YAVO on 3rd floor  
 3:30 pm Wandell/Gottfred Wedding in the Sanctuary

**Sun 10/07 20th Sunday after Pentecost**  
 8:00 am Waffles & Worship in the Dining Room  
 9:00 Sunday School - 104, Dining Room, Balcony West, 209  
 9:30 Blood Pressure Check in the Narthex  
 10:00 Worship Service in the Sanctuary  
 11:15 Facetime by the Big Bell  
 11:15 Flu Shots in the Parlor  
 11:30 Children's Choir in the Choir Room  
 12:00 pm Praisin' & Prayin' Puppets in Room 302

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

MEETING WHERE JOINING **U** R ON

The **JOURNEY**



*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.

*Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
 September 30, 2018*