

**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

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

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

Prelude "Lux Aeterna (from Requiem)" ~ Maurice Durufle

Words of Welcome Rev. Calvin Culpepper

Call to Order Rev. Lisa Kruse-Safford

§ **Opening Hymn UMH #89 "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"**

Prayer Georgalee George

Video "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"

Celebrations - Sharing stories of how we followed Jesus this year
Rev. Lisa Kruse-Safford

Scripture Examples of Disciples Being Made Hannah Whitmore

- *An Exploring Disciple:* "Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." - John 1:46 (full story in John 1:43-51)
- *A Searching Disciple:* "Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. 2 He came to Jesus by night." - John 3:1-2a (full story in John 3:1-9)
- *A Beginning Disciple:* "She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying." - Luke 10:39 (full story in Luke 10:38-42)
- *A Growing Disciple:* "Now while Peter was greatly puzzled about what to make of the vision that he had seen, suddenly the men sent by Cornelius appeared. They were asking for Simon's house and were standing by the gate." - Acts 10:17 (full story in Acts 10:9-17)
- *A Maturing Disciple:* "Then Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, "Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, 'To an unknown god.' What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you..." - Acts 17:22-23 (full story in Acts 17:22-34)

Message & Resource

Rev. Lisa Kruse-Safford

Offering Our Gifts and Our Selves
Offertory "Keep Your Lamps" ~ Arr. Andre Thomas
Sam Campbell, *conga drum*

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

Holy Conferencing

- *How/when did you become a disciple? How is it different than simply going to church?*
- *How do you experience growth as a disciple?*
- *Which step of disciple-making does this church do well? Which steps need more attention?*

Possibilities for Ministry - sharing ideas from small groups

Song FWS #2129, vs 1-3 "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"

Ordering Our Life for Ministry Rev. Lisa Kruse-Safford
Leadership Nominations & Elections
Clergy Compensation
Additional Business

Prayer

§ **Hymn of Sending Forth UMH #57, verses 1, 2, 5, 7**
"O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

§ **Benediction** Rev. Calvin Culpepper
Like a rock, God is under our feet. Like a roof, God is over our heads. Like the horizon, God is beyond us. Like water in a pitcher, God is within us and in the pouring out of us. Like a pebble in the sea, we are in God. Let us go into a world that is held in the hands of God and be changed and cause change wherever we go. **Amen.**
~ Based on a prayer by Ruth C. Duck and Maren C. Tirabassi, eds., *Touch Holiness (Pilgrim Press, 1990), 242.*

Postlude "Phantom of the Opera" ~ Andrew Lloyd Weber

Facetime by the Big Bell



Altar Flowers are given...

...in Praise to Court Street UMC
from Nurture & Outreach Committee



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!

Ghoultime Scarols is a program of Christmas carol tunes (which are usually in the major key) transposed to the minor key with halloweenish text to help create the story line. The story line is based on "'Twas the Night Before Christmas" with again, halloweenish text. The program is in conjunction with the Trunk or Treat sponsored by Grace United Methodist Church, 3555 McFarland Rd., held in their parking lot **TODAY.** If you have children or grandchildren, the Trunk or Treat starts at 3:00 with **our program beginning at 4:00.** The program is cute; you have an opportunity to sing, or you can just listen. There is no sacrilege, only fun and funny, sure to tickle your skeleton. The closing number is the famous "Toccatina and Fugue in D minor" by Bach. Presented by Rockford Chapter, American Guild of Organists. No admission; free-will offering will be taken; may dress in costume.

On All Saints' Day, next Sunday, November 4th, during the 10:00 a.m. worship service in the Sanctuary, we will be celebrating the lives of those people who have gone on to live with our Lord since All Saints Day 2017. If you have a loved one you would like to include, please email to lorellewandell@courtstreetumc.org their name, date of rising to new life, and a picture you would like on the screen for their naming. **DEADLINE for submission: Noon, TOMORROW.**

Come to the N. Main Street Culver's (1224 Bennington Rd.) on Sunday, November 4th, from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. for 'Share (Scoopie) Day.' 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.

Welcome to Autumn and Winter, which is not far behind. Here's a friendly reminder for you to consider scrip cards for fall clean up and winterizing needs (Menards, Lowe's, Home Depot, or Walmart/Sam's and Target too). Also, you can be proactive and start purchasing Scrip cards for gifts or your Christmas shopping needs. Come and check out our complete list of Scrip vendors. Ordered cards will be available in 1 to 2 weeks. We are always looking for new customers and appreciate our existing ones. Come see us at the Scrip table!

Now accepting donations of clean, new or lightly used clothing until May 1, 2019, for Love Rockford. No shoes, no jewelry, no underwear, please. Clothing items may be left in Room 109 (across from the Office) Interested in assisting? See Dorothy Powell or Jeanine Wang.

Don't forget to volunteer/give to the Thanksgiving Dinner
Fill out a card found in the Narthex & drop in the offering plate
or give to an usher

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 28, 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: Bess Koehn **Acolyte:** Morgan Whitmore
Ushers: The DuWayne Stanis Team **Video:** Steve Ripley
Sound Tech: Brian King **Liturgist:** Hannah Whitmore
Van Driver: Bruce Shindel **Facetime Hosts:** Breakfast Club

Court St. United Methodist Church at Work This Week

- Sun 10/28 23rd Sunday after Pentecost**
- 9:00 am Sunday School - 104, Dining Room, Balcony W
 - 9:30 SPRC meeting in the Library
 - 10:00 Worship Service/Church Conference-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
- Mon 10/29** 8:30 am MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103
- Tue 10/30** 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
 - 3:30 pm 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 10/31** 8:30 am MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103
- 9:30 Early Head Start in Room 100
- Thu 11/01** 8:30 am MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103
- 9:30 Early Head Start in Room 100
 - 1:00 The Journeymen in the Parlor
- Fri 11/02** 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 11/03** 8:00 am Rockford Rhythm/Phantom Regiment 3rd Floor

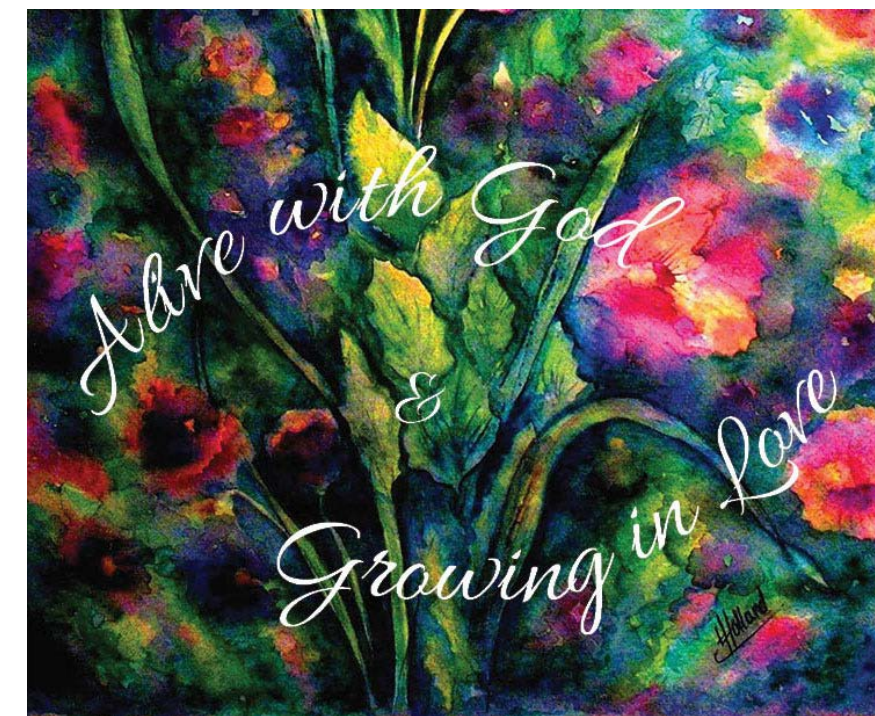
*****TURN CLOCKS BACK when you go to bed Saturday night**

- Sun 11/04 23rd Sunday after Pentecost/All Saints' Sunday**
- 8:00 am Waffles & Worship in the Dining Room
 - 9:00 Sunday School
 - 104, Dining Room, Balcony W, 209
 - 10:00 Worship Service in the Sanctuary
 - 11:00 Scoopie Day @ Culver's on N. Main

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.

*23rd Sunday after Pentecost/Church Conference
 October 28, 2018*