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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.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

10:00 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE

Palm/Passion Sunday
April 14, 2019

§ 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: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

C: Hosanna in the highest!

L: Blessed is God's only Son who takes away the sin of the world.

C: Hosanna in the highest!

L: Blessed is the Lamb of God who suffers for our sake.

C: Hosanna in the highest!

L: Blessed is the Prince of Peace who reconciles all humanity to God.

C: Hosanna in the highest!

L: Blessed is Jesus Christ, Redeemer, Lord and King.

ALL: Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

§ **Opening Hymn UMH #160**

“Rejoice Ye Pure in Heart”

*Please wave your palm and be happy/excited while we sing this hymn.
After all, our God is with us!*

Sharing of Joys and Journeys
Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Calvin Culpepper

The Lord’s Prayer, UMH #895

WE ARE NURTURED by GOD’S WORD

Hymn UMH #657

“This Is the Day”

The children are invited to come forward as we sing.

Children’s Message

James L. Crow

“Palm Sunday” & “Resurrection”
Praisin’ & Prayin’ Puppets

Hymn FWS #2129, vs 1

“I Have Decided to Follow Jesus”

§ Gospel Reading

Luke 19:28-40

Please refer to your Bible’s Table of Contents to locate this scripture.
Leader: This is the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
People: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

WHAT LOVE IS THIS?

SUFFERING SERVANT - CONQUERING KING

Music by Lloyd Larson, Mary McDonald, Brad Nix, Marty Parks, & Larry Shackley

Sing Forth His Glorious Name

Let all the people sing out His praise;
let ev’ry nation rejoice!
Glorious praise will fill the sky,
the heavens break forth in song!

Mountains and hills
will sing out His praise;
all of the earth will rejoice!
Trees of the field will clap their hands,
and the rocks will sing for joy!

Refrain: Sing hosanna!
Let ev’ry voice proclaim!
Sing hosanna! Lift up His holy Name!
Jesus, Savior, ever His truth shall reign!
Sing hosanna! Hail the King!
Sing forth His glorious Name!
Glory and honor we bring to You;
praises we joyfully sing!
All power and praise be given You,
our Savior, our Lord and King!

Tender, compassionate are Your ways,
righteous, exalted and true.
Mighty defender, our strength and shield,
forever Your kingdom will reign! *(Refrain)*

Hiding in the Shadows

Hiding in the shadows of Jerusalem,
skeptics whisper in the crowd.
The streets resound in song;
hosannas fill the air.
The praise is strong and loud!

Palms are held up high,
the Lord is passing by.
“Blessed is the King!
Lift up your voice and sing!”

Hiding in the shadows of Jerusalem,
skeptics whisper in the crowd.
Hiding in the shadows of Jerusalem,
seeds of hate and doubt are sown.
Religious leaders scheme;
the evil plans are made:
betrayal by His own!

The leaders watch and wait,
their hearts are filled with hate!
“Remove this devious fraud!
He is no Son of God!”

Hiding in the shadows of Jerusalem,
seeds of hate and doubt are sown.

Ah, holy Jesus, how have You offended,
that mortal judgment
has on You descended?
By foes derided, by Your own rejected,
O most afflicted.

Hiding in the shadows of Jerusalem,

seeds of hate and doubt are sown.

A Price We Can Pay

They call Him a King
and they call Him a Savior,
but this man’s behavior is out of control.
He questions the priests,
the scribes and the Pharisees,
this Nazarene’s heresies are bad for the soul.

Refrain: How can we stop this man?
This miracle worker from Galilee?
Have we done all we can?
We’ll lose all we have
if the crowd has its way.
There must be a price we can pay.

The rabble adores Him,
the children befriend Him,
we can’t apprehend Him in front of them all.
We must find a way
that’s quick and that’s quiet,
we can’t risk a riot, there can’t be a brawl.
(Refrain)

I will bring you Jesus of Nazareth,
I will discover a way,
far from the rabble
and far from the crowd.
What are you willing to pay?

Thirty pieces of silver,
thirty pieces of silver. *(Refrain)*

Do This in Remembrance

My friends, I have longed for this moment,
and this Passover meal we can share,
but in a short while I must leave you,
and no one can follow Me there.

So take this bread: this is My body.
Take this wine: this is My blood,
shed for forgiveness, to set captives free.
Do this in remembrance of Me.

According to Thy gracious word,
in meek humility,
this will I do, my loving Lord,
I will remember Thee.

Thy body broken for my sake,
my bread of life shall be, shall be;
Thy cup of blessing I will take.
I will remember Thee.

Gethsemane

No welcome at the garden gate,
no light beneath the ancient trees;
the twisted trunks in shadows stand
while branches rattle in the breeze.
Gethsemane, Gethsemane, Gethsemane.

No leaf found on the olive tree,
no healing oil, no sign of peace;
no comfort from the chosen friends,
no solace in Gethsemane.
Gethsemane, Gethsemane, Gethsemane.

“Abba, take this cup from me,
yet not my will, but Yours be done.”

A soul with sorrow overwhelmed
now bears the weight of destiny.
Alone He drinks the bitter cup
and goes to die for you and me.

Kneel with the One who knows your pain
and feel His touch so tender.
Then in a whispered “Not my will,”
find strength in full surrender.

“Abba, take this cup from me,
yet not my will, but Yours be done.”

What Love Is This?

What love is this the angels mourn?
His diadem a crown of thorns,
the King is now a thing of scorn.
No other love is so transformed.

What love is this who stumbles now,
and then moves on without a sound
to bear His cross before a crowd?
No other love is so so profound.

What love is this? How can it be?
He gives His life so willingly,
His arms outstretched for all to see.
No other love would die for me.

What love is this, love so divine
that out of love for me You died?
How marvelous to call You mine!
O wondrous Love, now I am Thine.

Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross

Jesus, keep me near the cross;
there a precious fountain,
free to all, a healing stream,
flows from Calvary’s mountain.

Near the cross, a trembling soul,
love and mercy found me;
there the Bright and Morning Star
shed His beams around me.

Refrain: In the cross, in the cross,
in the cross be my glory ever.
Jesus, keep me near the cross
till my ransomed soul

shall find peace and rest beyond the river.

Near the cross! O Lamb of God,
bring its scenes before me;
help me walk from day to day
with its shadow o'er me. *(Refrain)*

Near the cross I'll watch and wait,
hoping, trusting ever,
till I reach the golden strand,
just beyond the river. *(Refrain)*

Crown Him the Lord of Life!

Crown Him with many crowns,
the Lamb upon His throne;
hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns
all music but its own;
awake, my soul, and sing
of Him who died for thee,
and hail Him as thy matchless King
through all eternity.

Crown Him the Lord of life,
who triumphed o'er the grave,
and rose victorious in the strife
for those He came to save;
His glories now we sing
who died and rose on high,
who died eternal life to bring,

WE RESPOND to GOD'S WORD

Offering Our Gifts and Our Selves
Offertory

§ **Doxology UMH #95**

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

WE ARE SCATTERED to SERVE

§ **Hymn of Sending Forth UMH #527**

“Do, Lord, Remember Me”

and lives that death may die.

Allelulia, Alleluia!

Rejoice in glorious hope!
Our Lord the Judge shall come,
and take His servants up
to their eternal home.
Lift up your heart and voice!
Again I say rejoice!
Rejoice in glorious hope,
again I say rejoice!

Glory and honor we bring to You;
praises we joyfully sing!
All power and praise be given You,
our Savior, our Lord and King!

Tender, compassionate are Your ways,
righteous, exalted and true.
Mighty defender, our strength and shield,
forever Your kingdom will reign!

Alleluia! Let ev'ry voice proclaim!
Alleluia! Lift up His holy Name!

Jesus, Savior, ever His truth shall reign!
Alleluia! Hail the King!
Sing forth His glorious Name!

§ Benediction

As Jesus set his face toward Calvary and the cross, let us enter this Holy Week focusing our hearts and minds on the extraordinary love that motivated and enabled Jesus to lay down his life for us. Go from this place knowing that you are held by the same love that held our Lord. In the name of God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen. *Amen.*

Choral Benediction “Our Last Amen” ~ *Keveren*
(Extinguishing the 6th Candle on our Journey to Jerusalem)

Postlude

*You are invited to finish worship by listening to the Postlude.
If you wish to leave, you may do so, leaving quietly so others may enjoy the Postlude.*

Facetime by the Big Bell



Chancel Flowers are given...
...in loving memory of Rev. Sandra Hoke by Bob Henbest.

We thank the following people for making this worship meaningful and special.

Jack Armstrong, *Director*
Court Street UMC Chancel Choir

Mark Nelson, Vicki Hastings, *Trumpet*

Becky Asher, Beth Kinch, *French Horn*

Shari Ramsey, *Flute*

Matt Guschl, *Oboe*

Zhanna, Skrypai, Christine Schweitz, *Violin*

Tom Asher, *Viola*

Martha Donegan, *Cello*

Jim McDowell, *Bass*

Fiona Hunt, *Harp*

Andrew Mertenich, *Piano*

Sam Campbell, Elliot Atkinson, *Percussion*

TODAY'S WORSHIP

Greeter: Teresa Field

Ushers: The Sue Cram Team

Sound Tech: Stan Tunnell

Van Driver: Bruce Shindel

Acolyte: Carter Anderson

Video: Steve Ripley

Liturgist: Randiann King

Facetime Hosts: Breakfast Club



Rev. Calvin Culpepper, *Pastor*

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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 to help us meet our Apportionment. There is an insert to help you understand the importance of this offering. You may make your check out to CSUMC with “Apportionment” on the memo line.

The Domestic Violence Sub-Committee will meet at 11:00 A.M. on Monday, April 15th in the church library prior to the Nurture and Outreach Committee meeting. Anyone in the church congregation interested in attending this meeting is welcome to join us. We are continuing to learn about the impact of domestic violence on our community.

Plan now to attend these wonderful services during Holy Week:

Wed., April 17, Noon, Chapel - ‘Activate Health & Healing’
Hear Rev. Jim Gibbons at this 30 minute worship then get a light lunch afterwards in the Dining Room for a free-will donation.

Thurs., April 18, 6:00 pm, Sanctuary - ‘The Living Last Supper’

Friday, April 19, Noon, Chapel - Good Friday Service

Easter Sunday, April 21

6:01am - ‘Son’rise Service - Chapel

10:00 am - Resurrection Celebration - Sanctuary

Chancel Choir, Youth Choir, Instrumental Ensemble, JuBellation Choir

Noisy Offering is coming next Sunday, April 21st!! Help support Waffles & Worship

Spring needs, Easter celebrations, Mother’s Day ~ Are any of these thoughts on your mind yet? Don’t forget to include Scrip cards to help you prepare for them. We have cards from three big home improvement stores, cards to help you prepare for any celebrations, and a variety of restaurant cards. Thank you for your support - see you at the Scrip table!

To all the New and Seasoned Volunteers of our Garden Bazaar!!! Help is needed: May 16 - Thursday..in the morning to sort and organize the pre-orders. A definite time can’t be given as to when the truck will arrive but it usually is around 9:30-10:00. May 17 - Friday.. We need people at 7:30 to set up, from 9-3 to help sell, and at 3 to take down. May 18..Saturday...We need people to set up at 7:30, sell from 9-1, and take down/clean up at 1. Please contact Perky (815-519-7520) or Karen (815-742-4716) if you can help.

CSUMC 2019 Concert Series ~ Help support our Sanctuary Organ Project:

Monday, April 29 - LYRA Group, from St. Petersburg, Russia

Saturday, May 25 - Andrew J. Mertzenich, Organ recital

Sunday, June 16 - The Antitiones, a local Rockford Band

Saturday, July 13 - Josh Ring, Graduate Organist at the University of Iowa

Saturday, August 17 - Devon Hollingsworth, Organist

Court St. United Methodist Church at Work This Week

Sun 04/14 Palm/Passion Sunday

- 9:00 am** Sunday School - 104, Dining Room
- 9:00** Lamplighters (Adults) in Room 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** Blood Pressure Check in the Narthex
- 11:30** 'Made for a Miracle' Study in the Parlor

Mon 04/15 *Chimes DEADLINE*****

- 8:30 am** MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103
- 11:00** Domestic Violence Awareness Team in the Library
- 12:00 pm** Nurture & Outreach Team in the Dining Room
- 4:30** Finance Team in the Library
- 5:00** Administrative Council in the Dining Room

Tue 04/16

- 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** Busy Bag Ladies in Room 205
- 2:30 pm** Staff Meeting in Staff Conference Room
- 6:00** JuBellation Rehearsal in the Sanctuary
- 7:00** Chancel Choir Rehearsal in the Choir Room
- 7:00** Grace Awakening in Room 202

Wed 04/17

- 8:30 am** MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103
- 9:30** Early Head Start in Room 100
- 9:30** Deborah Circle in Room 209
- 11:30** Dorcas Circle @ Jerry's Cafe, 2601 N. Mulford Rd.
- 12:00 pm** Worship Service in the Chapel
- 12:30** Lenten Lunch in the Dining Room

Thu 04/18

- 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
- 6:00** 'The Living Last Supper' in the Sanctuary

Fri 04/19

- 8:30 am** MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103
- 10:00** Early Head Start in Room 100
- 12:00 pm** Good Friday Service in the Chapel
- 1:00** 'Made for a Miracle' Study-1812 Meadows Circle

Sat 04/20

- 9:00 am** Rockford Rhythm/Phantom Regiment 3rd Floor

Sun 04/21 Easter Sunday

- 6:01 am** 'Son'rise Service in the Chapel
- 9:00 am** Sunday School - 104, Dining Room
- 9:00** Lamplighters (Adults) in Room 209
- 10:00** Resurrection Celebration in the Sanctuary