

§ Denotes when to stand as you are able

WE GATHER to be NURTURED

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

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

Prelude "Preamble" ~ *Vierne*

§ Call to Worship

Leader: We are here to celebrate our risen Lord's presence and we affirm the gifts of love, hope, joy and peace.

***People:* Here we discover the meaning of life, know the power of love, and together celebrate new life in Christ.**

Leader: To the place and time we have come. God is with us as a community of faith as we look to the future with hope.

***People:* With neighbor and friend and with the stranger also, we have come together to worship and give God praise.**

***All:* May we now celebrate new life in Jesus Christ and sing the praise of a loving and compassionate God.**

§ Opening Hymn UMH #377 "It Is Well with My Soul"

Sharing of Joys and Journeys *Rev. Calvin Culpepper*
Pastoral Prayer

WE ARE NURTURED by GOD'S WORD

Reading from the Psalter, UMH #762 Psalm 30

New Testament Reading Revelation 5:11-14

Please refer to your Bible's Table of Contents to locate this scripture.

Leader: This is the Good New of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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

WE RESPOND to GOD'S WORD

Offering Our Gifts and Our Selves
Offertory "For the Beauty of the Earth" ~ *Rutter*

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

Conversation with the Congregation
Rev. Calvin Culpepper

The SERVICE of WORD and TABLE

Blessed be God
who calls us to bear fruits of goodness that will last.
May God's love and peace be with you all.
At times we look only at the defects or mistakes of others.

Now, let us look into our own hearts and recognize our need for God's mercy and forgiveness.

Lord Jesus, you have been good to us although we are just as guilty as others:

***People:* Lord, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus,
you expect us to bear fruits of repentance and good works:

***People:* Christ, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you have been patient with us:

***People:* Lord, have mercy.**

*The communion bread served is gluten-free
so that all may partake of the Holy Sacrament.*

WE ARE SCATTERED to SERVE

§ Hymn of Sending Forth UMH #719 "My Lord, What a Morning"

§ Benediction

May the Good News of Jesus Christ go with us all. May we be light and life to all the world. May the risen Christ go with us and fill us with strength and courage. Share the faith, keep the promise, speak a kind word, share the gospel, and bring peace to the earth. ***Amen.***

Choral Benediction "The Lord Bless You" ~ *Rutter*

Postlude "A Time for New Beginnings" ~ *Lani Smith*

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



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!

It's Bake Sale time again! You can pick up boxes in the Narthex after service from Diane Lutmer or Betty Seiter TODAY or May 12th. Bake Sale will be May 17 & 18 along with the Garden Bazaar. Thank you all!

Jeremiah Development, along with many community partners, is hosting **the third LOVE ROCKFORD event, on May 11, 2019, from 10AM – 2PM.** Congregations, businesses, community agencies and volunteers will be working together to reach out to the underserved. During our LOVE ROCKFORD day, residents will have the opportunity to be linked with a variety of counseling and housing services, and get blood pressure checks, hearing and vision tests, while the young may opt for face painting or other children's activities. Hungry stomachs will be met with a free lunch, and a box of food will be available to take home. **If you are interested in volunteering for LOVE ROCKFORD, register online at loverockfordil.org/volunteer.**

The church is looking for a part-time Nursery Worker to work Sundays from 9 A.M. to Noon and other times as needed. Need to be 18 years old, like children, and pass a criminal background check. Applications can be obtained from the church office.

Next Sunday, May 12th, we will be taking a special offering to help us meet our Apportionment. There will be an insert next week to help you understand the importance of this offering. You may make your check out to CSUMC with "Apportionment" on the memo line.

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. May18..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.

A Share Day (formerly Scoopie Day), where you go to Culver's on N. Main & Riverside, is happening between 11 and 2 on Sunday, May 19. A percentage of your purchases will go towards our United Methodist Men and our Youth. Give even more to the church by purchasing Culver gift cards from Scrip to pay for your meals/treats.

Will you help us help others? We are collecting boxes of 1-gallon sealable plastic bags and bars of soap (3-4 oz.) in the Narthex until June 2nd. These items will be combined with other items from other districts to create Dignity Kits. **We pray for your support of the 2019 Mission Challenge for the UMC Northern IL Conference.**

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!

May 5, 2019

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: Beverly Maus **Acolyte:** Ella Anderson
Ushers: The Sandy Gregory Team **Video:** Steve Ripley
Sound Tech: Ryan Welk **Liturgist:** Lorelle Wandell
Van Driver: Bob Lutmer **Facetime Hosts:** Barb & Gene Ferry

Court St. United Methodist Church at Work This Week

Sun 05/05 3rd Sunday of Easter

8:00 am Waffles & Worship in the Dining Room
9:00 Sunday School - 104, Dining Room
9:00 Lamplighters (Adults) in Room 209
10:00 Worship Service in the Sanctuary
11:15 Facetime by the Big Bell
11:30 Youth Choir in the Choir Room
11:30 Christian Ed Team in the Dining Room
12:00 pm Praisin' & Prayin' Puppets in Room 302

Mon 05/06 8:30 am MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103

Tue 05/07 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
3:30 pm Staff Meeting in Staff Conference Room
 5:00 Council Choraleers in the Dining Room
6:00 JuBellation Rehearsal in the Choir Room
7:00 Chancel Choir Rehearsal in the Choir Room
 7:00 Grace Awakening in Room 202

Wed 05/08 8:30 am MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103
 9:30 Early Head Start in Room 100

Thu 05/09 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
2:30 Early Head Start in Room 100
6:00 Chatterbox Supper
 @ Nippon's, 2551 N. Perryville

Fri 05/10 8:30 am MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103
 10:00 Early Head Start in Room 100
 1:30 pm Early Head Start in Room 100

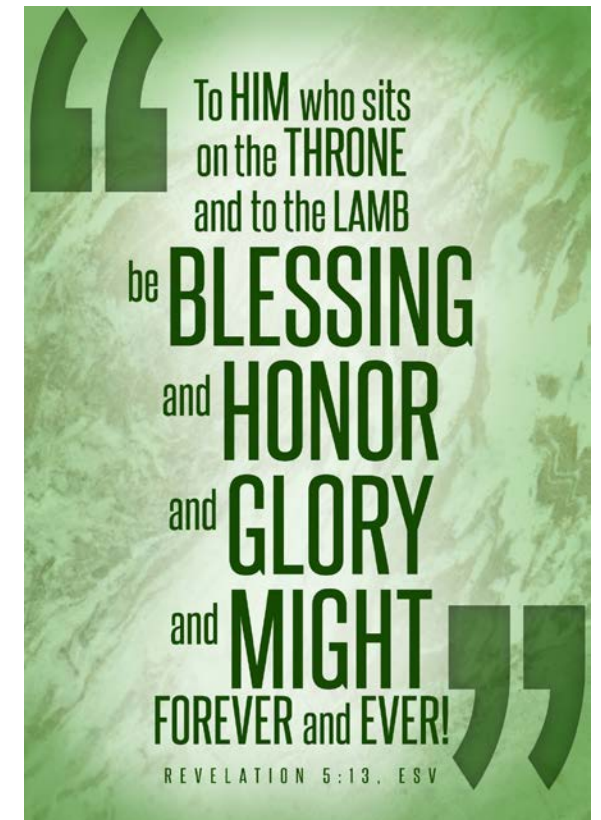
Sat 05/11 8:00 am Rockford Rhythm/Phantom Regiment 3rd Floor
8:30 UMM Breakfast @ Stockholm, 2420 Charles St.
10:00 LOVE ROCKFORD

Sun 05/12 4th Sunday of Easter/Mother's Day
9:00 am Sunday School - 104, Dining Room
9:00 Lamplighters (Adults) in Room 209
10:00 Worship Service in the Sanctuary
11:15 Facetime by the Big Bell

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.

*3rd Sunday of Easter
 May 5, 2019*