

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

Call: How great it is to call on the name of the Lord!

Response: Thank you for hearing our prayers.

Call: With all of our requests, we can come before you.

Response: Thank you for hearing our prayers.

Call: You never turn us away.

No, you desire to hear our prayers.

Response: Thank you for hearing our prayers.

Call: We come to you with all of our cares,
concerns and desires.

Response: Thank you for hearing our prayers.

All: We thank you for answering when we call.

§ Opening Hymn UMH #685

“Now, on Land and Sea Descending”

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

Jeremiah 8:18-9:1

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

Leader: This is the Word of God for the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

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”

New Testament Reading

1 Timothy 2:1-7

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

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

People: Glory to you, O Lord.

“Tears Surrounded by Prayers!”

Rev. Calvin Culpepper

WE RESPOND to GOD’S WORD

Offering Our Gifts and Our Selves

Offertory

“Elijah Rock”

~ arr. Mary Ellen Kerrick

§ Doxology UMH #94

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

WE ARE SCATTERED to SERVE

§ Hymn of Sending Forth UMH #528 “Nearer, My God, to Thee”

§ Benediction

Wherever you go, Jesus goes with you. He has promised never to leave you or forsake you. As you go, may His presence bring you hope, light and life, and may you find great joy in His company. Go with Him now in peace. **Amen.**

Choral Response “Deep Peace”

~ Sexton

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

We will receive a special Fifth Sunday Offering on September 29th to support United Voices for Children. We join dozens of other Northern Illinois United Methodist congregations who give generously to support our three outstanding agencies that serve at-risk children, youth and families: ChildServ, MYSI, and Rosecrance. We will include a special envelope in your bulletin next Sunday which you may use for cash or check, payable to CSUMC with “UVC” in the memo.

Be aware that one of our city ordinances says, concerning the municipal lot across the street: “When signs are erected in each municipal parking lot giving notice thereof, no person shall park a vehicle for longer than two hours at any time, in any parking space, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., except Sundays and public holidays.....Parking in a different space within a given lot shall not constitute the start of a new and separate two-hour period.”



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!

Fine Arts Saturday Troupe (FAST) continues next Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Ages: K-18. Be a part of ‘Children of Eden Jr.’ Rehearsals will be Saturday mornings. Cost: \$30; scholarships are available. Performance will be Sunday, December 15th.

Puppet & Pizza Project continues next Saturday from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Practice how to effectively ‘operate’ puppets to enhance our worship experience and have pizza afterwards. Rehearsals are Saturday mornings. Cost: FREE. We will perform in worship service on Sunday morning every couple of months.

Interfaith Open Houses of Worship is next Sunday, September 22, from 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Begin at 1:30 p.m., Temple Beth El, 1203 Comanche Drive then at 3:00 p.m. drive to the Muslim Community Center, 5921 Darlene Dr. For more info call RUM (815) 964-7111.

Diabetes Self Management Program will be taught by Teresa Field (our Parish Nurse) and Sue Scott, both OSF Parish Nurses, at Holy Family starting Wednesday, September 25th, from 9:00-11:30am and every Wednesday in October, for a total of six sessions. Learn practical skills and techniques to manage your diabetes and build self-confidence. The class is a free through Lifescape. Please call Teresa at (815) 298-8138 to pre-register.

Rockford District United Methodist Women Fall Meeting ~ We will meet Saturday, September 28, beginning at 8:30 a.m., at Bethel UMC, Shannon, Illinois, for worship, for our annual business meeting, and to hear Deb Foust speak on ‘Economic Inequality: How Do We Create Success for Families in Transition?’ Fall Mission Project items to be collected at this meeting: toothpaste, tooth brushes, soap, tissues, deodorant, head lice kits, and shampoo to be given to homeless students and their families. Cost to attend: \$12. **Registration deadline is Sept. 23. See Joanne Muck for registration form/information.**

Rev. Fabiola Grandon-Mayer will be installed as Rockford District Superintendent for the Northern Illinois Conference of the United Methodist Church at Beth Eden UMC, 3201 Huffman Blvd., Rockford, on Sunday, Sept. 29, 3:00 p.m. All are welcome to attend.

For those of you who are willing and able, please mark your calendar for Saturday, October 5th and join the Domestic Violence Sub Committee at 10:00 A.M. at City Hall to participate in the 2-mile walk against Domestic Violence. Call Barb Ferry at 815-965-6518 if you wish to participate.

All Church Conference reports are due online and/or in the Church Office by Monday, October 7. If you’re not sure if you need to do a report, please contact the Church Office. Those committees who have online reports to submit are: SPRC, Finance, and Trustees.

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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TODAY'S WORSHIP

Greeter: Mabelann Fisher	Acolyte: Jeriel Bragori
Ushers: The DuWayne Stanis Team	Video: Steve Ripley
Sound Tech: Stan Tunnell	Liturgist: Randiann King
Van Driver: Dan Boon	Facetime Hostess: Dessie Voigt

Court St. United Methodist Church at Work This Week

Sun 09/22 15th Sunday after Pentecost
 9:00 am Sunday School in 104, Balcony West, Narthex
 10:00 Worship Service in the Sanctuary
 11:15 Facetime by the Big Bell
 11:15 Youth Choir in the Choir Room
 4:00 pm CSUMC Book Club @ 4250 Ahlstrand Dr.

Mon 09/23 8:30 am MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103

Tue 09/24 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
 12:00 pm Nurture & Outreach in the Dining Room
 5:00 Council Choraleers in the Chapel
 6:00 JuBellation in the 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 09/25 8:30 am MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103
 9:30 Early Head Start in Room 100

Thu 09/26 8:30 am MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103
 9:30 Early Head Start in Room 100
 10:00 Painting in the Art Room, 204
 12:00 pm Jeremiah Exec Board in Room 109
 1:00 The Journeymen in the Parlor
 1:00 Chimes stuffing in the Library
 2:30 Early Head Start in Room 100
 4:30 Thanksgiving Team in the Library
 6:30 Praise Team Rehearsal in the Dining Room

Fri 09/27 8:30 am MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103
 10:00 Early Head Start in Room 100
 10:00 Beautiful Beginnings in the Gym
 1:30 pm Early Head Start in Room 100

Sat 09/28 8:00 am Rockford Rhythm/Phantom Regiment 3rd Floor
 9:00 FAST (Fine Arts Saturday Troupe)
 11:00 Puppets & Pizza in Youth Center

Sun 09/29 16th Sunday after Pentecost
 9:00 am Sunday School in 104, Balcony West, Narthex
 10:00 Worship Service in the Sanctuary
 11:15 Facetime by the Big Bell
 11:15 Youth Choir in the Choir Room
 4:00 pm NIJFON Annual Meeting in Aurora, IL

ORDER OF WORSHIP
 10:00 WORSHIP SERVICE



I urge that
 SUPPLICATIONS,
 PRAYERS,
 INTERCESSIONS,
 and THANKSGIVINGS
 be made for everyone ...

1 Timothy 2:1, NRSV

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.

15th Sunday after Pentecost
 September 22, 2019

WELCOME! September 22, 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 _____