

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.

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

Prelude "Improvisation on a Theme by Wesley" ~ A. Mertzénich

§ Call to Worship

Leader: On the cool mountainside and along the dusty roads,
the Son of Man called together the people
and told them of the love of God.

People: Through parables and acts of kindness,
he taught them as one with authority.

Leader: But his authority was different
for it was the authority of love.

People: Let us, through praise, prayer and song,
worship the God who comes to us as love.

All: In our worship today on this most holy of Sundays,
may we also remember that from all over the world
we come together as Christ's family in love.

§ Opening Hymn UMH #577 "God of Grace and God of Glory"

Sharing of Joys and Journeys
Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Calvin Culpepper

WE ARE NURTURED by GOD'S WORD

§ Gospel Reading Luke 17:5-10

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.

Hymn UMH #657

"This Is the Day"

The children are invited to come forward as we sing.

Children's Message "The Power of Love"

James L. Crow

Hymn FWS #2129, vs 1

"I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"

New Testament Reading

2 Timothy 1:1-14

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.

"More Than a Game"

Rev. Calvin Culpepper

WE RESPOND to GOD'S WORD

Please turn to page 12 in the front of The United Methodist Hymnal.

Offering Our Gifts and Our Selves

Offertory "The Gift of Love"

~ Hopson

§ Doxology UMH #94

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Please remain standing as you are able after the Doxology.

The SERVICE of WORD and TABLE

We will use Musical Setting A on p. 17 for the sung responses.

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

Communion Music

WE ARE SCATTERED to SERVE

§ Hymn of Sending Forth UMH #452

"My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

§ Benediction

As you have gathered here in this sacred space,
go out into the world making each space sacred.

As you have come to be comforted,
go forth now to comfort others.

As you have come to celebrate God's gift of love,
go now to share God's gift of love with each person you meet.

As you have come to hear God's Word,
go forth to be the word of God in deed. **Amen.**

Choral Response

"The Lord Bless You and Keep You"

~ Lutkin

Postlude

"Processional in C"

~ Hal Hopson

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



Altar Flowers are given...

...in loving memory of my mom, Anne Neumann,

by Janet Davis.

If you are willing and able, please join us TODAY at 12:00 noon for the Mayor's Domestic Violence Walk. After church we will walk together to City Hall or you may drive and meet us on the east side of City Hall.



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 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.

All Church Conference reports are due online and/or in the Church Office by TOMORROW, Monday, October 7. If you're not sure if you need to do a report, please contact the Church Office.

Next Sunday, October 13th, 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.

Annual flu shots will be given in the parlor after the church service on **Sunday, October 13th**, from our very dedicated nurse, Karen Brown. Please remember to bring your insurance card with you.

A Share Day (formerly Scoopie Day), where you go to Culver's on N. Main & Riverside, is happening Monday, October 14, from 5 to 8 p.m. A percentage of your purchases will go towards Jeremiah Development. Give to Court Street UMC too by purchasing Culver gift cards from Scrip to pay for your meals/treats.

Holy COW (Church On Wednesday)! is coming back as a Potluck Supper on Wednesday, October 16th, 5:15 p.m. Bring a dish to pass, your own table service, and your own drink as we spend some time in fellowship. Then stay to support our community's public safety personnel in a special worship service, Blessing of the Badges, held in the Chapel at 6:00 p.m. during which Pastor Cal will bless each person, praying for their health and safety.

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 Verlette & Tim Gorman on Sunday, October 20th, 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. Can't walk on October 20? 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!

Court Street's Annual Church Conference will be held Monday, October 21, at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. SPRC will meet at 6:30 p.m. in the Library. If you are responsible for an online report, **you must have it filed by tomorrow, October 7**, 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 also October 7 to the Church Office.

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: Donna Dow **Acolyte:** Hannah Whitmore
Ushers: The Sue Cram Team **Video:** Steve Ripley
Sound Tech: Stan Tunnell **Liturgist:** Verlette Gorman
Van Driver: Jeff Mann
Facetime Hostess: Alma MD Marie Lider Dotson

Court St. United Methodist Church at Work This Week

Sun 10/06 17th Sunday after Pentecost/World Communion Sunday
 8:00 am **Worship & Waffles in the Dining Room**
 9:00 **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**
 12:00 Walk Against Domestic Violence @ City Hall

Mon 10/07 8:30 am MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103

Tue 10/08 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**
 5:00 Council Choraleers in the Chapel
 5:30 **Trustee Team in the Library**
 6:00 **JuBellation in the Choir Room**
 7:00 **Chancel Choir in the Choir Room**
 7:00 Grace Awakening in Room 202

Wed 10/09 8:30 am MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103
 9:30 Early Head Start in Room 100

Thu 10/10 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**
 1:00 pm **The Journeymen in the Parlor**
 2:30 Early Head Start in Room 100
 6:00 **Chatterbox Supper @ Red Lobster, 5827 E. State St.**

Fri 10/11 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 10/12 8:00 am Rockford Rhythm/Phantom Regiment 3rd Floor
 8:30 **UMM @ Stockholm Inn, 2420 Charles St.**
 9:00 **FAST (Fine Arts Saturday Troupe)**
 11:00 **Puppets & Pizza in Youth Center**

Sun 10/13 18th 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 **Flu Shots offered in the Parlor**
 11:15 **Youth Choir in the Choir Room**
 11:30 **Christian Ed Team in the Dining Room**

ORDER OF WORSHIP
 10:00 WORSHIP SERVICE

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FAN INTO FLAME
THE GIFT OF GOD,
WHICH IS IN YOU
THROUGH THE
LAYING ON OF
MY HANDS.
 2 TIMOTHY 1:6

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.

17th Sunday after Pentecost/World Communion Sunday
 October 6, 2019

WELCOME! October 6, 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 _____

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