



Court Street United Methodist Church

215 North Court Street, Rockford, IL 61103

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10 A.M. Worship Service

October 11, 2020

19th Sunday after Pentecost

OPEN HEARTS...OPEN MINDS...OPEN DOORS



WE GATHER TO BE NURTURED

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

Prelude

Call to Worship

Leader: People of God, the Lord is merciful!

***People:* God forgives our sin and pardons all our debts.**

Leader: People of God, the Lord is good!

***People:* God restores us to the way of salvation.**

Leader: People of God, the Lord is love!

***People:* God revives our spirit so that we may rejoice.**

Leader: People of God, the Lord is faithful!

***People:* God speaks so that we may follow.**

Leader: People of God, the Lord is righteous!

***All:* God's glory fills this place. Let us worship the Lord our God!**

—Based on *Psalms* 85

Opening Hymn UMH #140

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

WE ARE NURTURED BY GOD'S WORD

Old Testament Reading

Exodus 32:1-14

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

***People:* Thanks be to God.**

Hymn UMH #657

“This Is the Day”

Children's Message

James L. Crow

Hymn FWS #2129, vs. 1

“I Have Decided to Follow Jesus”

New Testament Reading

Philippians 4:1-9

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

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

“Our Mess, or God’s Best?”

Rev. Calvin Culpepper

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

Blessing of the Prayer Shawls

Musical Witness

“Joy in the Morning”

Natalie Sleeth

Performed by Chancel Choir

Doxology UMH #94

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

WE ARE SCATTERED TO SERVE

Hymn of Sending Forth UMH # 398, vs. 1-3

“Jesus Calls Us”

Benediction

We are called to be witnesses to God’s glory. God urges us, encourages us, pleads with us to take this call seriously — to live a life worthy of God. Jesus is our Model and Ideal, and also our Savior and Hope. When we fall short, it is the Spirit who supplies all our needs. Go from this place, committed to be witnesses to God, disciples of Christ and a community of the Spirit, through the power of the triune God. Amen.

Postlude



***Just a
Reminder...***

- The CROP Walk is virtual this year. When you register, order your free t-shirt by emailing Verlette Gorman at churchadmin1@courtstreetumc.org. Ask for your size from s, m, l, xl, xxl.
- Angel Tree is also virtual. We will need to finalize our commitment to the program by November 23rd (tentative date), so please contact Gene and Barb Ferry at (815) 965-6518 to learn how you can help.
- Please submit the names and, if you wish to include them, photos of your loved ones for the All Saints’ Day memorial list by Tuesday, October 27th.