

Parents -Please escort your children to the restrooms.

Thank you.

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

If you are visiting, we welcome you and ask that you leave information so that we might be in contact with you.

§ Denotes when to stand as you are able

WE GATHER to be NURTURED

Ringing of the Bell

Prelude - Keli Scott, soloist

“Blessings”

§ Call to Worship

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Leader: In the quiet of the morning,
as we stir to greet the day...

**People: God hears our sighs
and gives strength to our spirits.**

Leader: In the busyness of the day, as we work and strive...

**People: God goes with us,
giving us courage and confidence.**

Leader: In the tiredness of the evening,
as we begin to settle down...

**People: God is present,
refreshing and comforting our souls.**

Leader: In the hush of night,
as sleep overcomes our weariness...

People: There is God, watching over us with patient love.

Leader: Thanks be to God throughout all our days!

People: AMEN.

§ Opening Prayer

Rev. Miriam Castro-Rodriguez

§ Opening Hymn #116

“The God of Abraham Praise”

WE ARE NURTURED by GOD’S WORD

First Scripture Lesson

Joshua 24:1-13

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Hymn (FWS) #2129

“I Have Decided to Follow Jesus”

The Young Church Gathers to Worship

James L. Crow

Hymn (FWS) #2026

“Halle, Halle, Hallelujah”

*Parents: 1st-5th grades may go to the youth center with Mr. Jim;
younger than 2nd grade may go to the nursery with Ms. Rynne.*

Second Scripture Lesson

Joshua 24:14-28

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“You decide, because I already did!”

Rev. Miriam Castro-Rodriguez, Deacon in Full Connection

WE RESPOND to GOD’S WORD

Hymn of Response #340

“Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy”

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

§ The World Methodist Social Affirmation #886

Prayers of the People

The Lord’s Prayer, #895

Offering Our gifts and Our Selves

Offertory - Keli Scott, soloist

“We Are”

§ Doxology (FWS) #2036

“Give Thanks”

WE ARE SCATTERED to SERVE

§ Hymn of Sending Forth - *see insert*

“You Are Good”

§ Benediction

May the Only and True God bless you today and always.

May the Holy Spirit and the Grace of Jesus Christ be upon you,
revealing to others who you follow and who you serve.

Go in Peace. *Amen.*

Postlude

Fellowship Time in the Narthex

We thank Rev. Miriam Castro-Rodriguez

for leading us in worship today while

Rev. Calvin Culpepper takes a vacation.

We thank Keli Scott for sharing her musical gifts with us today.

Beyond our plans, beyond our own abilities, beyond our failures, beyond our own God-given talents, above and beyond anything we could ask or even imagine. God has a plan for each of us, to rise above the ashes and to live powerfully for Him. **Beyond the Ashes**, consisting of three young men, will be leading us in worship on **Sunday, July 7th**, as they share their love of God through their musical gifts. This is definitely a “You-don’t-want-to-miss” worship service.



We welcome you, member or visitor, as we join in worshiping God this morning. We pray you will be blessed.

Happy Father’s Day!

What do you see? As you sit in our beautiful sanctuary, you will notice many symbolic elements. During June, you will learn about the variety of crosses. **Each balcony door has a cross**

above it. Beginning over the northwest door is the Tau cross, also known as the Old Testament cross. Tradition says that Moses lifted the serpent on this cross, foreshadowing the lifting of Christ upon his cross. According to one version of his martyrdom, St. Philip was crucified on this type of cross.

All are welcome to come to THE STORY study in the parlor after worship today. Grab a cup of coffee and join in some stimulating discussion about the Bible.

Methodist Monday reminder: June 17 - *Our Youth*

Come cheer our softball team to victory this next Tuesday, June 18th, 6:00 p.m. at Wantz Park, 602 E. Riverside, LP. We will be playing against Third Presbyterian’s team.

All adults, member or non-member, are welcome in Room 209 at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday, June 23rd, for Sunday School.

Registration for Summer Camps is now under way! Puppet Camp will be held June 17-21, 9:30-11:30, for Kindergarten-8th grade, \$5 per person. Everywhere Fun Fair, Vacation Bible School, will be held July 8-12, 9:30-noon, for Pre-Kindergarten-8th grade, \$5 per person. Fine Arts Camp will be held August 12-16, 9:30-11:30, for Kindergarten-8th grade, \$5 per person. Scholarships available as needed, please see Mr. Jim.

All are welcome to experience spiritual refreshment on Wednesday, June 19th, 7:00 p.m., at our Taizé service in the Chapel. Gathered in the presence of Christ, we sing, pray, and hear scripture as we center ourselves and attune ourselves to God.

Jeremiah Development’s 1st Annual Party in the Park ~ Saturday, June 22nd, from 11-3, Jeremiah Development is sponsoring a free, family-friendly, fun-filled day in Haskell Park. We will have music, games, activities and food. Also, our Puppet Camp participants who are able to attend will show what they learned in camp. Everyone is invited to share in this wonderful celebration of our neighborhood.

Rockford Urban Ministries’ Annual Dinner in CSUMC’s Dining Room ~ RSVP at (815) 964-7111 or send to “RUM Dinner,” c/o Leigh Lakey, 324 Dawson Ave., Rockford, IL 61107, if you wish to attend this dinner on Saturday, June 22nd, at 6 pm for a donation of \$25 or \$40+ from “angels.” RUM’s program featuring Bishop Sally Dyck is at 7 pm and is free and open to anyone. Bishop Sally Dyck was assigned to the Northern Illinois Conference in July 2012. She seeks to be the bishop to the nones (those persons who check “none” when asked their religious preference).

CSUMC Book Club will meet Sunday, June 23rd, 4:00 p.m. ~ We will discuss Amy Waldman’s book, *The Submission*. All readers are welcome to join us at Sue Cram’s, 6626 Timberline Lane, Rockford.

All committees ~ Please be thinking about any special events you would like included in the 2013-14 booklet which will be printed in time for Rally Day, September 8. Deadline for submission to get into the booklet is August 1st.

TODAY'S WORSHIP

Greeters: DuWayne & Nancy Stanis **Liturgist:** Randiann King
Ushers: The Sue Cram Team **Sound Tech:** Stan Tunnell
Van Driver: Tim Welk
Fellowship Hosts: Bruce & Nancy Shindel

Court St. United Methodist Church at Work This Week

Today 06/16 4th Sunday after Pentecost/Father's Day
 9:00 am Lamplighters (Adult Sunday School) in 209
 10:00 Worship in the Sanctuary
 11:15 Fellowship Time in the Narthex
 11:30 THE STORY Study in the Parlor

Mon 06/17 Methodist Monday
 8:00 am MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103
 9:00 SAFE Program in Rooms 202 & 203
 9:30 PUPPET CAMP
 1:00 pm Rosecrance in Room 202 & Gym
 5:30 Finance Committee in the Library
 5:30 Stewardship Committee in Room 209
 6:00 Local Missions in Staff Conference Room
 6:00 Gamblers Anonymous in Room 205
 7:00 Administrative Council in the Dining Room

Tue 06/18
 8:00 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
 9:00 SAFE Program in Rooms 202 & 203
 9:30 PUPPET CAMP
 10:00 Image Class in the Library
 1:00 pm Rosecrance in Room 202 & Gym
6:00 Softball Game at Wantz Park
 7:00 Grace Awakening in Rooms 205 & 209

Wed 06/19
 8:00 am MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103
 9:00 SAFE Program in Rooms 202 & 203
 9:30 PUPPET CAMP
 10:00 Image Class II in Library
 12:30 Early Head Start in Room 100
 1:00 pm Rosecrance in Room 202 & Gym
 7:00 Taizé Service in the Chapel

Thu 06/20
 8:00 am MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103
 9:00 SAFE Program in Rooms 202 & 203
 9:30 PUPPET CAMP
 10:00 Early Head Start in Room 100
 1:00 pm Early Head Start in Room 100
 1:00 Rosecrance in Room 202 & Gym

Fri 06/21
 8:00 am MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103
 9:00 SAFE Program in Rooms 202 & 203
 9:30 PUPPET CAMP

Sat 06/22 11:00 am Jeremiah Neighborhood Party at Haskell Park
6:00 pm RUM Annual Dinner in the Dining Room

Sunday 06/23 5th Sunday after Pentecost
 9:00 am Lamplighters (Adult Sunday School) in 209
 10:00 Worship in the Sanctuary
 11:15 Fellowship Time in the Narthex
 11:30 THE STORY Study in the Parlor
 4:00 pm CSUMC Book Club

MINISTRY STAFF AT COURT STREET

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Communion Special offering - The Local Mission Committee will report what they do with your monthly contributions in The Chimes. Your contributions the 1st Sunday of every month at Communion will be greatly appreciated to further our local outreach.

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WELCOME!

June 16, 2013

We're glad you're worshipping 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 _____


If you do not wish to keep any part or all of your bulletin at the the end of service, please give it back to an usher and we will recycle it.
 Thank you for helping our environment!



ORDER OF WORSHIP
 10:00 WORSHIP SERVICE



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.

4th Sunday after Pentecost/Father's Day
 June 16, 2013