

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 "It Is Well with My Soul"

§ **Call to Worship**

Leader: We gather for worship as children of God.

People: We come to remember who and whose we are.

Leader: We gather for worship to be renewed in our faith.

People: We come with hearts open to receive God's love.

Leader: We gather for worship to catch a vision of what might be.

People: We come ready to change what is.

Leader: We gather for worship in gratitude for all we have been given.

All: With thanksgiving, we lift our voices in songs of praise.

§ **Opening Hymn #121 "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"** (to tune FOR THE BREAD)

WE ARE NURTURED by GOD'S WORD

First Scripture Lesson Acts 17:16-28

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*
Blessing of the 4th Graders going to Reynoldswood

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. Ryanne.*

Second Scripture Lesson 1 Peter 3:8-16a

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon Series: "When Christians Get It Wrong" by Adam Hamilton
"When Speaking of Other Religions" *Rev. Calvin Culpepper*

WE RESPOND to GOD'S WORD

Hymn of Response #431 "Let There Be Peace on Earth"

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

§ **The World Methodist Social Affirmation #886**

Mission Moment *Mary Pulliam*, Executive Director, Love INC

Offering Our gifts and Our Selves "Give Me Jesus"
Offertory

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

WE ARE SCATTERED to SERVE

§ **Hymn of Sending Forth #437 "This Is My Song"**

§ **Benediction**
God's faithfulness, kindness and mercy are unending and without end. May that faithfulness, kindness and mercy spill out from our lives to each person that we encounter this week. May lives be changed as the gospel is lived out of our words and actions. Go now, full of kindness and mercy for others. **Amen**

Postlude "I Will Call Upon the Lord"

Fellowship Time in the Narthex

We thank Charles Matlock and Jeremy Lewis for sharing their musical gifts with us today.

Altar Flowers are given...

in honor of our 53rd wedding anniversary
by DuWayne and Nancy Stanis.

Next Sunday, June 30th, we will be taking a special offering to support United Voices for Children, an agency that speaks and acts on behalf of all children and youth in the Northern Illinois conference and generates financial support for ChildServ, Marcy-Newberry, Methodist Youth Services and Rosecrance. Please make your check out to Court Street UMC with "5th Sunday Appeal" in the memo line.



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

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. **Over the northeast door is the Greek cross with four arms of equal length.**

This is more often the symbol of the Church of Christ rather than His sacrifice for mankind.

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.

CSUMC Book Club will meet today at 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.

Methodist Monday reminder: June 24 - DuWayne & Nancy Stanis

Do you want to have some good, old-fashioned fun? Come cheer our softball team to victory this next **Tuesday, June 25th, 6:00 p.m. at Mullins Park, 5350 Windsor Rd., LP.** We will be playing against St. Mark Lutheran's team.

All adults, member or non-member, are welcome in Room 209 at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday, June 30th, for Sunday School.

Next Sunday, June 30th, the CSUMC Staff is going on a planning retreat in the afternoon and will be gone through Monday, July 1st. The church office will be closed on Monday, July 1st. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

Registration for 2 more Summer Camps is now under way! We just completed our 2013 Puppet Camp and now we're getting ready for Everywhere Fun Fair, Vacation Bible School, which 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 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.

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.

Do you know of someone who is homebound and might enjoy receiving Sunday's bulletin and a fun worksheet in the mail each week? If so, please drop the name and address in the offering plate or call the church office. We do a weekly mailing to give those of us unable to attend worship service on Sunday a feeling of connectedness.

Young Adults Croquet Party ~ Reserve Sunday afternoon on July 14th for croquet and pizza on Carefree Drive. Skill is not necessary, but fun is required. Child care will be provided at the church. More information to come.

TODAY'S WORSHIP

Greeter: Steve Ripley **Liturgist:** Randiann King
Ushers: The Sue Cram Team **Sound Tech:** Tim Welk
Van Driver: Bruce Shindel
Fellowship Hosts: Fred & Judy Mehren

Court St. United Methodist Church at Work This Week

Today 5th Sunday after Pentecost

06/23 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 at 6626 Timberline Lane

Mon 06/24 Methodist Monday

8:00 am MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103
9:00 SAFE Program in Rooms 202 & 203
1:00 pm Rosecrance in Room 202 & Gym
6:00 Gamblers Anonymous in Room 205

Tue 06/25 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
10:00 Image Class in the Library
1:00 pm Rosecrance in Room 202 & Gym
6:00 Softball Game at Mullins Park
6:15 Knitting Group at 4250 Ahlstrand Dr.
7:00 Grace Awakening in Rooms 205 & 209

Wed 06/26 8:00 am MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103

9:00 SAFE Program in Rooms 202 & 203
10:00 Image Class II in Library
12:30 pm Early Head Start in Room 100
1:00 Rosecrance in Room 202 & Gym

Thu 06/27 8:00 am MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103

9:00 SAFE Program in Rooms 202 & 203
10:00 Early Head Start in Room 100
1:00 pm Chimes stuffing in the Library
1:00 Early Head Start in Room 100
1:00 Rosecrance in Room 202 & Gym

Fri 06/28 8:00 am MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103

9:00 SAFE Program in Rooms 202 & 203

Sat 06/29

Sunday 6th Sunday after Pentecost

06/30 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
2:00 pm Staff Planning Retreat through Monday

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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 23, 2013

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:

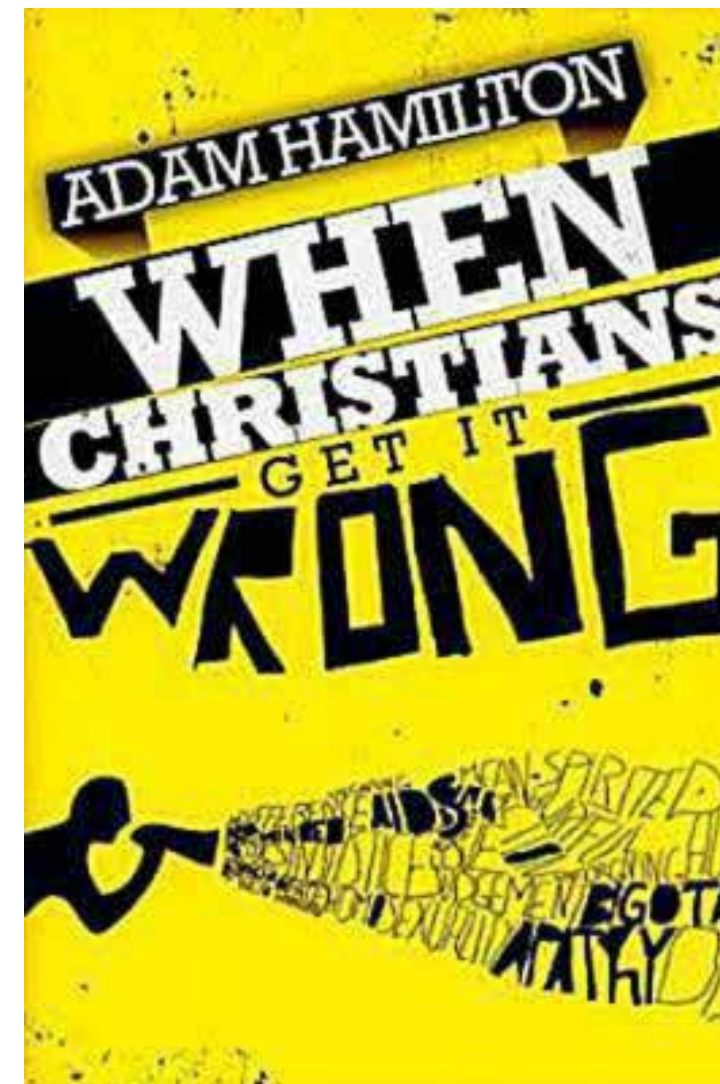
Name _____ age _____ grade _____
Name _____ age _____ grade _____
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Street _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Phone (h) _____ (w) _____
E-mail _____

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.

5th Sunday after Pentecost
June 23, 2013