

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

*Ringling of the Bell*

Prelude

### § Call to Worship

*Leader:* We live in a world that says  
we must look out for ourselves.

**People: We live for You and You alone.**

*Leader:* The values of our culture tell us  
that we should seek glory and fame.

**People: We live for You and You alone.**

*Leader:* The demands of our time, attention and money  
are many.

**People: We live for You and You alone.**

*Leader:* We want to live Kingdom lives  
that show you to the world.

**People: We live for You and You alone.**

*Leader:* Take our lives, may they be fully yours.

**People: We live for You and You alone.**

### § Opening Hymn (FWS) #2001 “We Sing to You, O God”

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People

## WE ARE NURTURED by GOD’S WORD

First Scripture Reading Psalm 107:1-9, 43

*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. Rynanne.*

### § Second Scripture Lesson Luke 12:13-21

*Leader:* This is the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to Luke.

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

Sermon Series: Are You a Fool? (#1 of 3)

“Are You Fooling Yourself?” *Rev. Calvin Culpepper*

## WE RESPOND to GOD’S WORD

Offering Our gifts and Our Selves  
Offertory

### § Doxology #94 “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

*Please remain standing as you are able after the Doxology.*

## The SERVICE of WORD and TABLE

*Please turn to page 13 in the front of your hymnal.*

*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 Hymn #623 “Here, O My Lord, I See Thee”

## WE ARE SCATTERED to SERVE

### § Hymn of Sending Forth #399 “Take My Life, and Let It Be”

#### § Benediction

Go now, in the light of Christ, living not to gain what the  
world says is right, but to gain Christ and life in Him alone.  
May your heart be filled deeper than you could ever imagine  
with the fullness of Christ. Go in peace. **Amen.**

Postlude

Fellowship Time in the Narthex

We thank Jea Yi for sharing her musical gifts with us today  
while Julia is on vacation.

We thank Rev. Miriam Castro-Rodriguez  
for assisting with communion today.



*Altar Flowers are given...*

in honor of Dick's 70th birthday by Jeanine Wang

**Softball Game ~ Playoffs begin Tuesday, August 6.** Come cheer our  
team as we play against 1st Church of the Nazarene, 6:00 pm, Wantz  
Park, 602 E. Riverside, Loves Park.

**An informational presentation entitled “Bear One Another’s Bur-  
dens” will be offered on Sunday, August 11th, at 1:30 p.m. at Roscoe  
United Methodist Church.** Anyone interested in becoming a Stephen  
Minister or becoming involved with the **Stephen Ministry** is invited  
to this meeting. For questions, please call Sue Ellen at (815) 988-3483.

**Grades 6-12 ~** Let's get together and talk, eat, play games, and plan  
future fun. Come to a picnic at Sinnissippi Park Playground on Sunday,  
August 18th, at 1:00 p.m. Call Holly (815-298-1577) if you need a ride.

## TODAY’S WORSHIP

**Greeter:** Dennis Campbell

**Liturgist:** Kathy Welk

**Ushers:** The Sandra Gregory Team

**Sound Tech:** Ryan Welk

**Van Driver:** Bruce Shindel

**Fellowship Hosts:** Fred & Judy Mehren

## Court St. United Methodist Church at Work This Week

### Today 11th Sunday after Pentecost

**08/04** 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 08/05 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 08/06 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  
10:30 Staff Meeting in Conference Room  
1:00 pm Rosecrance in Room 202 & Gym  
**6:00 Softball Playoff, Wantz Park,  
602 E. Riverside**  
7:00 Grace Awakening in Rooms 205 & 209

### Wed 08/07 8:00 am MAYA’s House in Rooms 102 & 103

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

### Thu 08/08 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 Early Head Start in Room 100  
1:00 Rosecrance in Room 202 & Gym  
**6:00 Chatterbox Supper, Hoffman House,  
7550 E. State St., Rockford**

### Fri 08/09 8:00 am MAYA’s House in Rooms 102 & 103

9:00 SAFE Program in Rooms 202 & 203

### Sat 08/10 8:30 am UMM Breakfast, Stockholm Inn, 2420 Charles St., Rockford

### Sunday 12th Sunday after Pentecost

**08/11** 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



**We welcome you, member or visitor**, as we join in worshipping 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. This month, you'll learn more about the beautiful stained glass windows in our Sanctuary.

The large windows on the East and West sides of the Sanctuary represent events in the life of Jesus. Each window is divided vertically into two scenes, side by side. Beginning at the northeast window, lower left, you will see the Annunciation of Mary, and above it, the Nativity. On the lower right is Epiphany, and above it the Baptism of Jesus.

**All are welcome to come to THE STORY study in the parlor after worship today.** Grab a cup of coffee and join us as we discuss "New Beginnings" and Christ's commission for us to share His Word.

**Methodist Monday reminder:** August 5 Ray & Janet Baker

**All adults, member or non-member**, are welcome in Room 209 at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday, August 11th, for Sunday School. We will discuss why the acquittal of George Zimmerman in the shooting death of Trayvon Martin has provoked such strong responses and how Christians can contribute faithfully to the national conversation about the verdict.

**Next Sunday, August 11th, we will be taking a special offering to help us meet our Apportionment.** Please read your insert to understand the importance of the offering. You may make your check out to CSUMC with "Apportionment" on the memo line.

**Register for our last Summer Camp!** Fine Arts Camp will be held August 12-16, 9:30-11:30, for Kindergarten-8th grade, \$5 per person. Invite your neighbors and friends to participate in this wonderful session of music, dance, and theatre. Scholarships are available as needed.

**Do you know of someone who is unable to attend worship 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 a feeling of connectedness.

**If you have children in grades Kindergarten through 8th**, please have them bring their backpack on **Sunday, August 18th**. Let's send our congregation's kids into the new school year assured of God's promises and our loving support! Be sure to join us and to include all of our young people in your prayers as they go back to school.

**Prayerfully consider attending the Safe Sanctuaries Training held Saturday, August 24, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at First UM Church, 216 E. Highland Ave., Elgin, IL.** The essentials of Safe Sanctuaries will be covered. Safety on the internet and in social media will be explored through some hands-on interactive activities. Participants are invited to bring their lap tops, tablets, and smart phones. Registration fee of \$25 will cover the cost of lunch, materials, and background check. See the July *Chimes* for registration information or the bulletin board outside the church office for forms.

**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!** August 4, 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.

*11th Sunday after Pentecost  
 August 4, 2013*