## 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

Introit

"O God, You Search Me"

**§ Call to Worship** 

Leader: Most gracious and loving God, as we come into this worship space,

People: Search us!

Leader: As we lift our hearts to worship you, we ask that you look deep within us,

People: Search us!

Leader: Help us see the true condition of our hearts.

All: May this hour be an hour that will change our lives

forever. Amen.

Opening Hymn #368

"My Hope Is Built"

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer, #895

## WE ARE NURTURED by GOD'S WORD

First Scripture Reading 2 Samuel 12:1-7

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"

Children's Message

Hymn (FWS) #2026

"Halle, Halle, Hallelujah"

Parents: 1st-5th grades may go to the youth center with Ms. Joy & Mr. Bailey; younger than 2nd grade may go to the nursery with Ms. Ryanne.

Second Scripture Lesson

Psalm 51:1-13

Leader: This is the Word of God. **People:** Thanks be to God.

Anthem - Chancel Choir

"All I Give to Jesus"

Sermon Series:

"5 Things that Will Destroy Your Marriage Relationships"

"#5 - Withheld Truth" Rev. Calvin Culpepper

## WE RESPOND to GOD'S WORD

Offering Our Gifts and Our Selves

Offertory - Praise Band

"Trading My Sorrows"

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

### WE ARE SCATTERED to SERVE

**§** Hymn of Sending Forth #384

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

§ Benediction

God knows us better than we know ourselves. And what is amazing is that God still loves us and wants the very best for us. All we need to do is open our hearts to God and say, "Yes." *Amen.* 

Postlude

Fellowship Time in the Narthex

We thank Jared Slothower, piano, for sharing his musical gifts with us today.

Eat, Pray, Love & Healthy Living Support Group ~ Everyone is invited to join us on Sunday, February 23, immediately following worship for a light lunch in our Dining Room and then a seminar from 1-3 p.m. in our Parlor led by licensed therapist, Leah Vanstone, of Rochelle. Please contact Julia Schade Armstrong, 815-979-2237, to register. Suggested donation: \$20 to help cover cost. Bring writing stick, notebook, and a bottle of water.

Join other young adults for "Leaning into Lent", a one-day retreat at CSUMC! During this retreat we will explore spiritual practices to help us grow as we enter the holy season of Lent. Participants will be provided with individual devotional materials, interactive workshops, and personal reflection time. The \$20 fee covers the cost of food and retreat materials. Registration and fees are due no later than Sunday, February 23. Contact Ana Kelsey-Powell for more details.



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

Today we will be taking a special offering to help us meet our Apportionment. Please read the insert on it to help you understand the importance of this offering. You may make your check out to CSUMC with "Apportionment" on the memo line, put in the en closed envelope marked as such, and place in

the offering. Thank you for helping us meet our goal!

An exciting six-week study began January 12th and the 5th session is TODAY at 11:15 a.m. led by Jim & Helen Gibbons. All are invited to participate in discussing Love to Stay by Adam Hamilton.

No Youth Group today!

# Holy COW (Church On Wednesday)! - February 12th 5:30 - 6:15 p.m.

- Ministry in the Dining Room
   "Love to Stay" study by Adam Hamilton
   led by Larry & Lorna Wakefield
- Kids' Choir in the Choir Room ages 4-13
- Rev. Rhoads' class in the Library Adults
- Mats for the Homeless in Room 4 across from the Dining Room 6:15 6:45 p.m.
  - Dinner by Diane-Dining Room \$2.50/person; \$10 max/family

Adult & Family Ministries is sponsoring a trip to the Fireside Dinner Theatre to see "Mary Poppins" on Saturday, March 22. Car pool from the church parking lot at 9:00, arrive at 10:30, lunch at 11:15, show at 1:30. Cost for adults is \$62.95; children \$45.95. Call Jan Marlow at (815) 877-6864 for reservations. February 9 is the last day for reservations.

Calling all 5th - 12th graders!! Join us Friday, February 14 for a Valentine's Day Lock-In. We'll eat, play games, watch movies, and talk about the importance of love in our lives. As always, students are encouraged to bring a friend or friends for this event. The cost of this event is \$10. Please contact Ana if you have questions or concerns. We will then meet on Sunday, February 16, 11:30 am-2:30 pm, for MAD Groups/Operation Agape.

The Rockford Area Christian Ministries is bringing the production of "A Mighty Fortress is Our Basement" by the Basement Church Ladies to our area. This hit musical/comedy will be presented on April 8, 2014, 7:00 pm, at the Belvidere Community Center. Tickets are on sale already, and when they are gone that's it; so decide NOW if you are interested. Cost is \$22.50 per person. Call Jan Marlow or stop at the Scrip table in the Narthex A.S.A.P. Checks may be made out to the Rockford Area Christian Ministries.

CSUMC Book Club meets Sunday, February 16, 4:00 p.m.

#### TODAY'S WORSHIP

Greeter: Steve Ripley
Ushers: The Stanis Team
Liturgist: Verlette Gorman
Sound Tech: Tim Welk

Van Driver: Bruce Shindel

Fellowship Hostesses: Geri Ryan & Judy Mehren

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

Today 5		fter the Epiphany		
02/09	8:50 am	Sunday School in the Youth Center		
	9:00	Lamplighters (Adult Sunday School) in 209 Worship in the Sanctuary		
	10:00			
11:15 11:15		Fellowship Time in the Narthex "Love to Stay" Study in the Parlor		
	11:45	THE STORY Study in the Library		
Mon 02/10 8:00 am		MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103		
	9:00	SAFE Program in Rooms 202 & 203		
	4:00 pm	Rosecrance in Room 202 & Gym		
	6:00	Worship Committee in the Library		
	6:00	Gamblers Anonymous		
Tue 02/11	1 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		
	10:30	Staff Meeting in Staff Conference Room		
	4:00 pm	Rosecrance in Room 202 & Gym		
	5:30	Trustees Committee in the Library		
	5:30	Council Choraleers in the Chapel		
	6:00	JuBellation Rehearsal in Choir Room		
	7:00	Chancel Choir Rehearsal in Choir Room		
	7:00			
Wad 02/1		Grace Awakening in Room 205		
Weu 02/1	9:00 am	MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103		
		SAFE Program in Rooms 202 & 203		
	12:00 pm 12:30	Nurture/Outreach Committee in the Dining Room		
		Early Head Start in Room 100		
	4:00	Rosecrance in Room 202 & Gym		
	5:30	Holy COW! - see announcements		
	6:30	Setup/serve Women's Crisis Center meal		
	7:00	Men's Fellowship in the Parlor		
EL 03/1	7:00	Praise Band Rehearsal in the Sanctuary		
Γhu 02/1		MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103		
	9:00	SAFE Program in Rooms 202 & 203		
	9:30	Early Head Start in Room 100		
	4:00 pm	Rosecrance in Room 202 & Gym		
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Fri 02/14		MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103		
	9:00	SAFE Program in Rooms 202 & 203		
	10:00	Early Head Start in Room 100		
	10:00	Image Class in the Library		
	6:00 pm	Youth Love Lock-in in the Youth Center		
Sat 02/15		nes DEADLINE		
•	•	after the Epiphany		
02/16	8:50 am	Sunday School in the Youth Center		
	9:00	Lamplighters (Adult Sunday School) in 209		
	10:00	Worship in the Sanctuary		
	11:15	"Love to Stay" Study in the Parlor???		
	11:30	After Valentine's Day Dinner in the Dining Room		
	11:30	Youth: MAD Group/Operation Agape in Youth Center		
	4:00	CSUMC Book Club		

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

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E-mail

February 9, 2014

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.

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	I'm a visitor.				
	Please note my address change.				
	Name (s): Mr./Mrs./Miss/Ms.				
——How	did you hear abou	ut Court Street?			
Child	ren:				
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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

# 5 Things that Will

# Destroy Your



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 Epiphany February 9, 2014