

**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 enclosed 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.**



