

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 - Chancel Choir

“We Are Marching”

§ Call to Worship

Leader: Come, let us sing to the Lord!

**People: Let us make a joyful noise
to the rock of our salvation!**

Leader: Let us come into God’s presence with thanksgiving!

**People: Let us make a joyful noise
to God with songs of praise!**

Leader: Come, let us worship

and celebrate God’s loving presence with us.

**People: We sing to God with our hearts and our spirits.
AMEN.**

§ Opening Hymn (FWS) #2216

“When We Are Called to Sing Your Praise”

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

Prayers of the People

The Lord’s Prayer, #895

WE ARE NURTURED by GOD’S WORD

First Scripture Reading

Psalm 95

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) #2072, refrain

“Amen, Amen”

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

Hebrews 10:19-25

Leader: This is the Good News of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

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

Anthem - Chancel Choir

“Secure”

Sermon Series: Treasures of the Transformed Life

#3 - Jumping in with Both Feet

Rev. Calvin Culpepper

WE RESPOND to GOD’S WORD

Hymn of Response (FWS) #2197 “Lord of All Hopefulness”

Offering Our Gifts and Our Selves

Offertory

§ Doxology #95 “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

WE ARE SCATTERED to SERVE

§ Hymn of Sending Forth (FWS) #2068 “I Love You, Lord”

§ Benediction

We have encountered the living God through the love of the living Christ. We have been refreshed by living water. Go now to live in the hope this encounter inspires. Be water bearers to a dry and parched world, knowing that the God of love and hope goes before you and with you always. **Amen.**

Piano Postlude

“First Arabesque” ~ Debussy

Fellowship Time in the Narthex

**We thank Jared Slothower
for sharing his musical gifts
with us this morning.**



Chancel Flowers are given...
...in loving memory of Michael Schallberg,
whose birthday was March 23rd,
by Scott & Melvin Schallberg.



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

Calling all 5th - 12th graders! Meet today at 11:30 for Movie Day! Questions? See Ana.

USHERS & ACOLYTES -- If you are currently doing or interested in ushering or acolyting, please plan to attend one of the following training sessions in the Sanctuary: TODAY, immediately after worship or Sunday, April 6, immediately after worship. Thank you for enhancing our worship time!!

Do a daily devotion using the book “Return to Me”, available in the Narthex or the Church Office for only \$2. Based on the cantata of the same name that the Chancel Choir is presenting on Palm Sunday, it is designed to help us on our Lenten journey.

“The Painting Table” continues Tuesday, March 25, at 5:30 p.m.! We are invited to draw pictures, record memories, and celebrate living through the creation of something new. Books are available in the Narthex or the Church Office for only \$7. Even if you didn’t make it last week, you are welcome to join us!

Center yourself during Lent by attending the Noon 30-minute Worship in the Chapel on Wednesday, March 26. If you have time, stay for the delicious Lunch by Geri for a free-will donation.

**Holy COW (Church On Wednesday)! - March 26
5:30 - 6:15 p.m.**

- Ministry in the Dining Room - Lenten Study
“God’s Gift of Life” Study with Rev. Miriam
Create a holy space for Bible study and open your heart and mind through self-examination and reflection so that you might grow in your faith. Books are available in the Narthex or the Church Office for only \$6.
 - 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

Young Adults -- Come for Flood Flick & Fine Food on Saturday, March 29, times TBA. See Ana if you are interested or for more details. Estimated cost is \$25+ per person.

Next Sunday, March 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, Methodist Youth Services and Rosecrance. Please make your check out to Court Street UMC with “5th Sunday Appeal” in the memo line.

Turn in Garden Bazaar orders & payment by Wednesday, April 2.



TODAY'S WORSHIP

Greeter: Alice Baird **Liturgist:** Verlette Gorman
Ushers: The Sandra Gregory Team **Sound Tech:** Stan Tunnell
Van Driver: Bob Lutmer
Fellowship Hostesses: Geri Ryan & Judy Mehren

Court St. United Methodist Church at Work This Week

Today 3rd Sunday in Lent

03/23 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 Fellowship Time in the Narthex
11:30 Youth: Movie Day
11:30 Praisin' & Prayin' Puppets in Balcony East
11:45 THE STORY Study in the Library

2:00 pm JFON Clinic on 2nd Floor

Mon 03/24 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
5:30 Finance Committee in the Library
6:00 Gamblers Anonymous in Room 205
7:00 Administrative Council in the Dining Room

Tue 03/25 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
10:30 Staff Meeting in Staff Conference Room
4:00 pm Rosecrance in Room 202 & Gym
5:30 "The Painting Table" in the Youth Center
5:30 Council Choraleers in the Chapel
6:00 JuBellation Rehearsal in Choir Room
6:15 Knitting Group at 4250 Ahlstrand Dr.
7:00 Chancel Choir Rehearsal in Choir Room
7:00 Grace Awakening in Room 205

Wed 03/26 8:00 am MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103
9:00 SAFE Program in Rooms 202 & 203
9:30 Early Head Start in Room 100

12:00 pm Worship in the Chapel

12:30 Luncheon in the Dining Room
4:00 Rosecrance in Room 202 & Gym
5:30 Holy COW! - see announcements
7:00 Men's Fellowship in the Parlor

Thu 03/27 8:00 am MAYA's House in Rooms 102 & 103
9:00 SAFE Program in Rooms 202 & 203
9:30 Early Head Start in Room 100
1:00 pm Chimes stuffing in the Library
4:00 Rosecrance in Room 202 & Gym

Fri 03/28 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
10:00 Image Class in the Library

Sat 03/29 Young Adults: Flood Flick & Fine Food

Sunday 4th Sunday in Lent

03/30 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 Fellowship Time in the Parlor
11:30 Youth: MAD Groups
11:30 Praisin' & Prayin' Puppets in Balcony East
11:45 THE STORY Study in the Library

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!

March 23, 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.

- 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



with Both Feet

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.

3rd Sunday in Lent
March 23, 2014