ORDER OF WORSHIP

10:00 WORSHUP 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.

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 5, 2021

Parents, please escort your children to the restrooms. Please keep your personal belongings with you at all times. Please wear a mask and continue to social distance even if you are vaccinated. At this time, sing only in your hearts. Thank you.

§ denotes when to stand as you are able

WE GATHER TO BE NURTURED

Ringing of the Bell - Please use this to begin focusing for worship.

Prelude

"Oh People, Rise and Labor"

Stephen Weber

§ Call to Worship

Leader: What is salt without its flavor? What is light you cannot see?

People: What's a ship without a rudder? Without fruit, what is a tree?

Leader: Jesus said they're good for nothing, and he gave this warning call:

People: If we speak and then do nothing, we do not have faith at all.

Leader: We believe our true salvation comes by grace through faith alone;

All: But true faith results in action, by our deeds we make love known.

-James C. Ward, Banquet of Praise, ed. Gary P. Davison (Washington, D.C.: Bread for the World, 1990), 194.

Opening Hymn UMH #57

"O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

WE ARE NURTURED BY GOD'S WORD

New Testament Reading

James 2:1-17

Instrumental

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

People: Glory to you, O Lord.

Children's Message

James L. Crow

§ Gospel Reading

Mark 7:24-37

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

People: Glory to you, O Lord.

"Living Faith!" Rev. Calvin Culpepper

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Musical Witness

"God Help The Outcasts"

Menken

Performed by Tracey Armstrong

Service of Word and Table: INVITATION, CONFESSION AND PARDON, & OFFERING

Please follow along with the slides for the communion liturgy.

Offering Our Gifts and Ourselves

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

Instrumental

Please remain standing as you are able after the Doxology

THE SERVICE OF WORD AND TABLE

§ THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Please partake of your wafer and grape juice when instructed.

Gluten-free wafers are available.

WE ARE SCATTERED TO SERVE

Hymn of Sending Forth UMH #548 "In Christ There Is No East or West" Instrumental

§ Benediction

As we go forth today, let our works proclaim our faith. Let all that we do -- our work and our rest – be to the glory of the One who has created us to bear his image. May all that we say and do point to you and be evidence of the hope that we have. We go now, in your name, to bring your hope and truth to everyone we meet this week. Amen.

Benediction Response "May The Peace Of God Dwell In You" Lloyd Larson

Postlude "The Water is Wide" arr. Sue Mitchell-Wallace

Please take your bulletins with you when you leave.



Altar flowers given by Bob Henbest in appreciation of Tim & Verlette Gorman

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TODAY'S WORSHIP

Van Driver: Dan Boon

Ushers: The DuWayne Stanis Team

Sound Tech: Ryan Welk
Liturgist:
Video Tech: Steve Ripley
Acolyte: Ella Anderson

Director of Video Ministries: Krysta Tilges

Ammouncements

- Jeremiah Development is seeking volunteers to help at the LOVE Rockford event. Would you consider helping in the clothing room, being a greeter, helping in the children's area, or distributing food? These are only a few of the areas where we need volunteers to assist in making this event successful and safe. Please prayerfully consider becoming a volunteer by submitting the form found at loverockfordil.org.
- The Church will be closed Monday, September 6th for Labor Day.
- Next Sunday is Grandparent's Day, so bring your grandchildren to church for some fun activities. You can pick up a keepsake booklet to fillout with your grandchildren and stay after service to have a photo portrait taken by organist Andrew Mertzenich.
- As part of the Summer Concert Series, Bill Stein will play a special Homecoming Concert on Sunday, September 19th at 2 p.m. Free-will donations will benefit Court Street's organ restoration project.

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