

ORDER OF WORSHIP

10:00 WORSHIP SERVICE

I. You Are Stamped With God's Image



So God created humankind in his image,
in the image of God he created them;
male and female he created them.

Genesis 1:27, NRSV

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.

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 12, 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 "God, Whose Almighty Word" *Richard Proulx*

§ Call to Worship

Leader: Let us affirm our faith.

***People:* We belong to God, eternal and infinite, Creator of all things and all that is to come.**

Leader: We follow Christ, who comes to us from God and reveals God to us. He heals people and transforms lives, and calls us to join in his ministry.

***People:* He was crucified, died, and was raised again by God, and reigns over all creation, and he bids us to die and rise with him in the service of the healing of the world.**

Leader: We are moved by the Holy Spirit, together with the communion of saints, as members of the body of Christ, God's holy universal church.

***All:* We are confident in the forgiveness of sin, the power of the resurrection and the reality of eternal life. In all things, it is our desire to follow Christ, by the grace of the Holy Spirit, for God's glory. Amen.**

Opening Hymn UMH #451 "Be Thou My Vision" Instrumental

WE ARE NURTURED BY GOD'S WORD

Old Testament Reading *Psalm 8*

Leader: This is the Word of God for The People of God.

***People:* Thanks be to God.**

Please follow along with the slides. There will be no sung response.

Children's Message *James L. Crow*

Old Testament Reading

Genesis 1:26-31

Leader: This is the Word of God for The People of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

“Unshakable Hope Sermon Series:
You Are Stamped With God’s Image”

Rev. Calvin Culpepper

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

Musical Witness

“Soon And Very Soon”

Performed by Jack Armstrong

Offering Our Gifts and Ourselves

§ **Doxology UMH #94**

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

Instrumental

WE ARE SCATTERED TO SERVE

Hymn of Sending Forth UMH #152 “I Sing the Almighty Power of God” Instrumental

§ **Benediction**

Now may the Lord lift up the light of his countenance upon you, and give you peace, in your going out and in your coming in; in your sitting down and your rising up; in your work and in your play; in your joy and in your sorrow; in your laughter and in your tears; until that day comes which is without dawn and without dark. Amen.

–Thomas Graham

Benediction Response

“Go Ye Now In Peace”

Postlude

“God of Grace”

Paul Manz

Please take your bulletins with you when you leave.



Altar flowers given by Donna Dow in loving memory of Charles Dow’s 85th birthday and Donna and Charles’s wedding anniversary, September 9th.

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TODAY'S WORSHIP

Ushers: The DuWayne Stanis Team

Sound Tech: Tim Welk

Liturgist: Lorelle Wandell

Van Driver: Bruce Shindel

Video Tech: Steve Ripley

Acolyte: Lily Breson

Director of Video Ministries: Krysta Tilges

Announcements

- 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.
- Today is Grandparent's Day! 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 next Sunday, September 19th at 2 p.m. Free-will donations will benefit Court Street's organ restoration project.

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