

ORDER OF WORSHIP

10:00 WORSHIP 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.

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
August 1, 2021

**Please keep your personal belongings with you at all times.
Please continue to social distance; masks are optional. 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 “One Bread, One Body” *arr. Ron Schmoltze*

§ Call to Worship

Leader: We celebrate this day the baptism of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

***People:* We follow Christ’s example when we baptize those whom God has called.**

Leader: Baptism is a sign of the covenant between God and the church.

***People:* It signifies God’s faithfulness.**

Leader: It testifies to the washing away of sin.

***People:* It symbolizes rebirth.**

Leader: It embodies our adoption into God’s family.

***People:* It witnesses to the resurrection of Christ.**

Leader: In baptism, we put on the fresh garment of Christ.

***People:* In baptism, we are sealed with the Holy Spirit.**

***All:* Thanks be to God, by whose grace we are called to baptism!**

§ Opening Hymn UMH #685 “Now, on Land and Sea Descending”

WE ARE NURTURED BY GOD’S WORD

§ Gospel Reading *Matthew 3:13-17*

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

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

Children’s Message “The Baptism of Jesus” *James L. Crow*

§ Gospel Reading *John 1:29-36*

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

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

“Splash Summer Sermon Series: Up And Out Of The Water”

Rev. Calvin Culpepper

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

Musical Witness “Living Water, Guiding Spirit” *Martin*

Performed by Dennis Campbell

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”

Please remain standing as you are able after the Doxology

THE SERVICE OF WORD AND TABLE

Please partake of your wafer and grape juice when instructed.

Gluten-free wafers are available.

§ Affirmation of Faith

Leader: Let us affirm our baptismal covenant together: Come to the water!

***People:* From the waters of chaos, God brought order and life.**

Leader: From the waters of the flood, God preserved life, giving righteousness a new beginning.

***People:* Through the waters of the sea, God led Israel out of slavery into freedom and the promised land.**

Leader: In the waters of the Jordan, Jesus was baptized by John and anointed by God’s Spirit.

***People:* By the baptism of his own death and resurrection, Christ sets us free from sin and death.**

Leader: In the waters of baptism, we are claimed as Christ’s own.

***People:* In the waters of baptism, we are reborn by the power of the Spirit.**

***All:* Let one and all come to the water! Let us meet Christ here and receive his new life in us. Amen.**

WE ARE SCATTERED TO SERVE

§ Hymn of Sending Forth UMH #512

“Stand By Me”

§ Benediction

May the Spirit of God rest gently upon you, and may you hear God’s voice saying to you, “You are my daughter, you are my son, my beloved children. With you I am well pleased.” Go into the world, carrying this assurance of love to all whom you meet. Amen.

Benediction Response

“Go Ye Now In Peace”

Postlude

“Reflections on the Spirit”

Joel Raney

Please take your bulletins with you when you leave.



Altar flowers given by Jeanine Wang in celebration of Rev. Richard Wang’s birthday

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TODAY'S WORSHIP

Ushers: The Sandy Gregory Team

Sound Tech: Tim Welk

Liturgist: Dorothy Powell

Van Driver: Jeff Mann

Video Tech: Steve Ripley

Acolyte: Ella Anderson

Director of Video Ministries: Krysta Tilges

Announcements

- The CSUMC Summer Concert Series begins Saturday, August 21st with a performance by The Grand Groove Hotel. Tickets are \$15 in advance and \$20 at the door. The concert starts at 2 p.m. in the sanctuary. Visit CourtStreetUMC.ecwid.com for tickets.
- Are you at least 14 years of age and interested in our church nursery? Applicants must be available at least one Sunday a month from 9:45 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Duties include working with children, light cleaning, and supporting the nursery supervisor. Assistants will report to the nursery supervisor. Contact RYANNE if you are interested!
- Shine II: A Children's Fine Arts Experience will perform *Godspell Jr.*, which reenacts the Gospels through a child's viewpoint. The camp is open to ages 5 to 18. Campers are to bring their own lunch and beverage. An AM snack and a PM snack will be provided along with a script, tee shirt, and cast celebration. The cost of the camp is \$60; cash or check made payable to Court Street UMC accepted (scholarships are available for campers.). The most recent WCHD guidelines will be followed. For further details, contact James L. Crow.

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