

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

10:00 WORSHIP SERVICE

VII. Jesus Is Praying For You



<sup>33</sup> Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. <sup>34</sup> Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. <sup>35</sup> Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

**Romans 8:33-35, 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.

*Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost*  
October 24, 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

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## **WE GATHER TO BE NURTURED**

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

Prelude "The Lord's My Shepherd" *arr. Donald Hustad*

### **§ Call to Worship**

*Leader:* If God is for us, who can be against us?

***People:* He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all—**

*Leader:* How will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things?

***People:* It is God who justifies.**

*Leader:* Who then is the one who condemns?

***All:* No one! It is Christ Jesus who died—more than that, who was raised to life—is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us.**

**Opening Hymn UMH #452 "My Faith Looks Up to Thee"**

### **Stewardship Presentation**

## **WE ARE NURTURED BY GOD'S WORD**

New Testament Reading Romans 8:31-39

*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 Matthew 14:22-27

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

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

“Unshakable Hope Sermon Series:  
Jesus Is Praying For You”  
*Rev. Calvin Culpepper*

## **WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD**

Musical Witness  
“His Eye Is on the Sparrow”  
Performed by Timm Adams

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 #89**      **“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”**

§ **Benediction**

As we go forth, may the words of St. Paul guide us on our journey: “Rejoice in the Lord always, I say again rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord goes with you. Do not be anxious, but in everything in prayer and thanksgiving, present your lives to God. And God’s peace will guard and guide your hearts and minds in Jesus Christ.” Amen.

– From Philippians 4

Benediction Response

“Dismiss Us From This Place”

Postlude

“Processional”

*William Matthias*

**Please take your bulletins with you when you leave.**



**Altar flowers given by Betty Seiter in memory of her husband, William Seiter.**

# Court Street United Methodist Church

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## TODAY'S WORSHIP

**Ushers:** The Sue Cram Team

**Sound Tech:** Tim Welk

**Liturgist:** Lorelle Wandell

**Van Driver:** Jeff Mann

**Video Tech:** Steve Ripley

**Acolyte:** Ella Anderson

**Director of Video Ministries:** Krysta Tilges

## Announcements

- If you have a loved one that died this past year that you would like honored during All Saints' Sunday (Nov. 7<sup>th</sup>), please submit their name, the date they died, and a photo (optional) by October 29<sup>th</sup>. Any submissions made after Friday, Oct. 29<sup>th</sup> may not be included on this year's list.
- Help Jeremiah Development repair the planter boxes (bring a drill if you can, cordless preferred.) and prepare the community garden for winter on Saturday, October 30<sup>th</sup> from 9 - 11 a.m.
- Consecration Sunday is Sunday, October 31<sup>st</sup>. Please bring your 2022 pledge cards with you to service.
- Beverly Maus will exhibit her collection of acrylic pour canvases titled "Abstracts" at The Norwegian (1402 N. Main Street) on November 4<sup>th</sup> from 5 - 9 p.m.
- This year marks the 40<sup>th</sup> year of Court Street's Annual Thanksgiving Dinner. The dinners will be carryout like last year, but it's still a big undertaking, so if you can donate time on, before, or after Thanksgiving Day, please contact Bert Cromwell. Otherwise, consider donating money or food items like pies, applesauce, and bottled water. Contact the church office for more details.

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