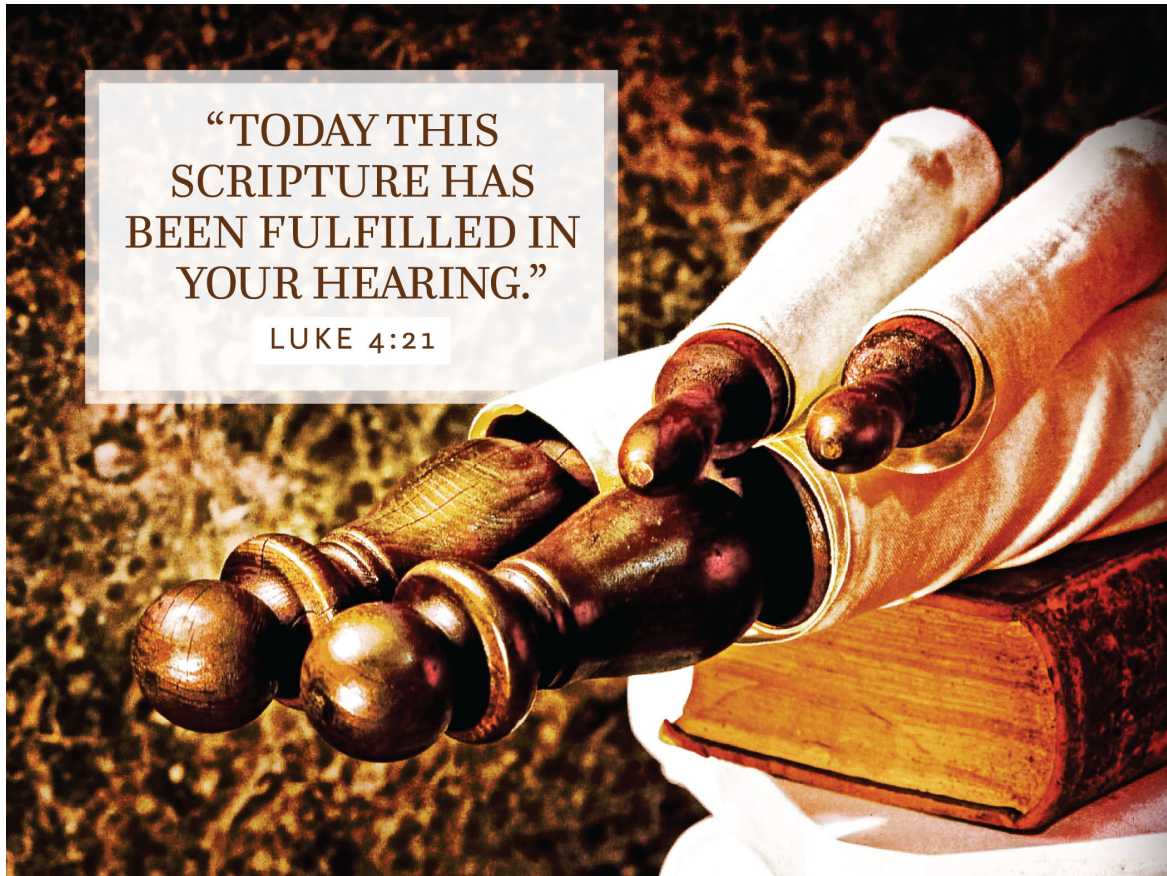


ORDER OF WORSHIP

10:00 WORSHIP SERVICE



“TODAY THIS
SCRIPTURE HAS
BEEN FULFILLED IN
YOUR HEARING.”

LUKE 4:21

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.

Third Sunday after the Epiphany
January 23, 2022

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.
Thank you.

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WE GATHER TO BE NURTURED

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

Prelude “Brethren, We Have Met to Worship” *Donald Hustad*

§ Call to Worship

Leader: O Magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt the Lord’s Name together.

***People:* The Lord God is the fountain of Life; in the Light of God, we shall see light.**

Leader: Light dawns on the upright; Joy and Gladness fill the heart of the righteous.

***People:* From the rising of the sun to the setting of the same, the Lord’s name is to be praised!**

***All:* Amen.**

§ Opening Hymn UMH #164 “Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life”

Musical Witness “There Is A Balm In Gilead” Performed by Dorothy Paige Turner

WE ARE NURTURED BY GOD’S WORD

Old Testament Reading Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10
(with pauses for response)

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

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

Children’s Choir “Festival Alleluia” *Allen Pote*

Children’s Message *James L. Crow*

§ Gospel Reading Luke 4:14-21

Leader: This is the Good News of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

***People:* All praise to you, Lord, Jesus Christ.**

“Our Best Authority!”
Rev. Richard A. Wang

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

Offertory “How Great Thou Art” Performed by Dorothy Paige Turner

Offering Our Gifts and Ourselves

§ **Doxology UMH #94** **“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”**

WE ARE SCATTERED TO SERVE

§ **Hymn of Sending Forth UMH #163** **“Ask Ye What Great Thing I Know”**

§ Benediction

Go from this place, committed to love God, to proclaim and to serve Christ, and to be led by the Spirit in the active work and joy of our calling: to bring in the Kingdom of God, the Kingdom of Love and Light. Amen.

Benediction Response

“Amen”

Armstrong

Postlude

“Psalm XIX”

Benedetto Marcello

Please take your bulletins with you when you leave.

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TODAY'S WORSHIP

Ushers: The Sue Cram Team

Sound Tech: Stan Tunnell

Liturgist: Curly Thompson & Rev. James Gibbons

Van Driver: Jeff Mann

Video Tech: Steve Ripley

Acolyte: Lili Breson

Director of Video Ministries: Krysta Tilges

Announcements

- Thanks to ALL of you for your financial support, for purchasing and wrapping gifts for the children, and for your prayers. Because of your generosity, gifts were purchased for 53 children from 22 families in our church neighborhood and in the nearby area. Each child received two gifts on behalf of the incarcerated parent. Additionally, extra funds were left over to provide \$25 to \$50 in grocery gift cards to each family based upon size of family or need.
– Barb and Gene Ferry
- Christmas is over, but Scrip cards are always available to use towards your everyday purchases, to give as birthday or anniversary gifts, or help with charitable giving. There is a fine selection of cash and carry items as well as many more that can be special ordered.
- This year's Lenten Study will be based on Matt Rawle's *The Grace of Les Misérables*. It's no too late to request a book. The new deadline is Friday, January 28th by 12 p.m. Books will be ordered that afternoon for those who have requested copies. Only paperback (no large print), price TBD
- **Volunteer Opportunity:** For roughly one hour per week, help Jeremiah Development organize its "Take-a-Book Library" donations. Contact Sue Kanthak at (815) 627-0001 if you are interested in helping.
- Next Saturday's Prairie North Training Event (9-11:30 a.m.) will be held virtually. Participation is now FREE. Register online for a ZOOM link. Already paid? You should receive a refund.
- Poplar Grove United Methodist Church (105 E. Grove Street) is offering a Taizé Service on Sunday, January 30th at 5 p.m.

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