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.

> Second Sunday in Lent March 13, 2022

Parents, please escort your children to the restrooms. Please keep your personal belongings with you at all times. Please continue to social distance even if you are vaccinated. Masks may be worn or removed at your discretion. 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

"The Transfiguration"

Richard Shephard

The Service of Diminishing Lights

§ Call to Worship

Leader: Come home, home to the embrace of God.

- *People*: We are walking the Lenten path from past errors to future possibilities. We are walking from haunting memories to a new day. We are walking from troubling fears to a new hope.
- *Leader*: Come home, taste the goodness of God, hear the love of God, feel God's tender grace.
- *People*: We are walking toward wholeness. We are on the path of joy, and our hearts are filled with thanks and praise.
- *Leader*: Come home this day; dwell with Christ in this holy place and in God's amazing grace.

§ Opening Hymn UMH #295

WE ARE NURTURED BY GOD'S WORD

New Testament Reading

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

People: Glory to you, O Lord.

Children's Message

"In the Cross of Christ I Glory"

Philippians 3:17-4:1

James L. Crow

§ Gospel Reading

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

People: Glory to you, O Lord.

"Be All That You Can Be!" *Rev. Calvin Culpepper*

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

The Lord's Prayer, UMH #895

Offering Our Gifts and Ourselves

Offertory

"Keep Your Lamps"

Thomas

§ Doxology UMH #95

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

WE ARE SCATTERED TO SERVE

§ Hymn of Sending Forth UMH #286

"O Sacred Head, Now Wounded"

§ Benediction

Christ Jesus has made us his own. Press on toward the goal of knowing Christ and the power of his resurrection. Press on to that upward call of God in Jesus Christ. May the Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord be kind and gracious to you; and look upon you with favor. May the Lord grant you peace. Amen.

| | Choral Benediction | "The Lord Bless You And Keep You" | Lutkin |
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| Postlude | | "Solo on Hankey" | Robert Lehman |

Please take your bulletins with you when you leave.

Court Street United Methodist Church

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TODAY'S WORSHIP

Ushers: The DuWayne Stanis Team **Sound Tech:** Ryan Welk **Liturgist**: Diane Risley Van Driver: Bruce Shindel Video Tech: Steve Ripley Acolyte: Lili Breson

Director of Video Ministries: Krysta Tilges

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- This year's Lenten Study, based on Matt Rawle's *The Grace of Les Misérables*, continues after service in the parlor.
- Garden Bazaar order forms are now available. If you need a copy or would like additional copies, they are available for download and print at courtstreetumc.org/events. You may also request copies from the office or check with an usher for copies on hand. Orders are due Tuesday, April 19th.
- JD Volunteer Opportunities: Jeremiah Development needs volunteers to teach Microsoft Excel classes (or other computer applications) at their Coronado Community Computer Center, read to children while their guardians take those classes, or organize its "Take-a-Book Library" donations. Contact Sue Kanthak at (815) 627-0001 if you are interested in helping.
- The Spring Cheesy Cabaret originally scheduled for April 1st has been rescheduled to a later date. TBD.
- The SONrise Easter Service has been cancelled. Please join us at 10 a.m. on Sunday, April 17th for our Easter Resurection Celebration Service.
- We will take a special collection for UMCOR on Sunday, March 27th.
- Easter flowers are now available for purchase. Order tulips in 6-inch pots and dedicate them in honor or in memory of your loved ones. \$12 per pot random colors will be ordered subject to availability. Dedications will be printed in the Easter bulletin. Flowers will be available after the Resurrection Celebration Service on April 17th. Orders and dedications are due Wednesday, March 30th.

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