

# 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 of Easter*  
(St. Thomas Sunday)  
April 24, 2022

Parents, please escort your children to the restrooms.  
Please keep your personal belongings with you at all times.  
Please continue to social distance; Masks may be worn at your discretion.  
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

“Prelude In C Major”

*J.S. Bach*

### § Call to Worship

*Leader:* We are fickle people. Our faith wavers like the wind.

**All: Help our unbelief.**

*Leader:* As soon as the storm rises, we doubt your power.

**All: Help our unbelief.**

*Leader:* When temptations seem too great, we forget that you are greater.

**All: Help our unbelief.**

*Leader:* When the world says you are unreal, we wonder if they are right.

**All: Help our unbelief.**

*Leader:* We want to believe, to have faith, to trust in you always.

**All: Help our unbelief.**

### § Opening Hymn UMH #315, vs. 1-4

“Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain”

## WE ARE NURTURED BY GOD’S WORD

New Testament Reading

Revelation 1:4-8

*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

John 20:19-31

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

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

“Principles of Faith”  
*Rev. Calvin Culpepper*

## **WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD**

The Lord’s Prayer, UMH #895

Offering Our Gifts and Ourselves

Offertory

“Jesu, Joy of Man’s Desiring”

*J.S. Bach*

§ **Doxology UMH #94**

**“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”**

## **WE ARE SCATTERED TO SERVE**

§ **Hymn of Sending Forth UMH #384**

**“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”**

§ **Benediction**

At the times faith seems most difficult, remember Christ’s appearance to Thomas, a sign of God’s longing to be made known in the world. You are now part of Christ’s own body, a living witness to the peace and light of God, alive and at work, breathing God’s peace in so that you may breathe it out to others. May God bless all you do in the name of Christ, giving you faith even when you do not fully understand.

Postlude

“Prelude in C Minor”

*J.S. Bach*

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



Today’s flowers are in memory of Daniel Andrew Barnhart, born on April 23, 1979, son of Norma Lee & Bill Barnhart and brother of Catherine.

# Court Street United Methodist Church

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## TODAY'S WORSHIP

**Ushers:** The Sue Cram Team

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Director of Video Ministries: Krysta Tilges

**Van Driver:** Tim Gorman

**Video Tech:** Steve Ripley

**Acolyte:** Kaylee Bulliner

## Announcements

- **The Court Street UMC Book Club** will discuss *The Last Thing He Told Me* by Laura Dave **TODAY at 2 p.m.** at Dorothy Powell's home. All are welcome to join. Please contact Diane Risley at [rishouse@juno.com](mailto:rishouse@juno.com) for more information.
- **Lydia Circle will meet Monday, April 25<sup>th</sup>** at Noon at Jeremiah Development (132 N. Church Street) for an informational tour. Afterwards, the ladies will have lunch at Beef-a-Roo (2538 Auburn Street). Consider buying Beef-a-Roo gift cards from SCRIP to use towards the purchase of your meal.
- **The Domestic Violence Subcommittee** will meet on Wednesday, April 27<sup>th</sup> in the Library.
- **Jeremiah Development** will hold their *An Evening in Paris fundraising dinner* on April 30<sup>th</sup> at Veterans Memorial Hall (211 N. Main Street). Tickets are \$55; contact (815) 267-0001 to purchase.
- **Have you been missing Facetime in the Narthex?** In order for Court Street to resume its post-service coffee hour, we need hosts. If you would like to lead a weekly fellowship during the month of May, **volunteer in the Narthex TODAY by filling out the schedule sheet.**
- **We will take a special collection for Native American Ministries Sunday on May 1<sup>st</sup>.**
- **Grace UMC & The United Women in Faith** are hosting a discussion on mental health issues in children and solutions to combat the problem on **Tuesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> at 1 p.m. in their sanctuary.**
- **A Memorial Service for Scott Stanis will be held in the Chapel** on Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup> at 11 a.m., followed by a Luncheon in the Dining Room.
- **Court Street is offering for FREE: a Lifescape / Matter of Balance Class.** Parish Nurse Teresa Field, along with guest speakers, will teach folks 60 years and older techniques to help them overcome their fears of falling. Sessions are from 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. and will be held on May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup> and June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, and 16<sup>th</sup>. Please call the office at (815) 962-6061 to register.

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