

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.**

**Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
August 7, 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.
Please sign registration sheets and pass to others in your pew. Thank you.**

§ Denotes when to stand as you are able

WE GATHER to be NURTURED

Ringing of the Bell

Prelude “Communion Meditation” *Victor C. Johnson*

§ Call to Worship

Leader: God, we come to you this morning to praise and give thanks.

People: **Give us faith to hope in times of trouble. Give us a way to find the good.**

Leader: It is always time to praise and offer our thanks;

People: **When things are good...when there are questions...when we are adrift.**

Leader: You are always there, as our Creator, our Redeemer, and our Sustainer!

All: **Help us see the ways you are present to us.
Help us see you everywhere and in all things.**

§ Opening Hymn “Come, Now Is The Time To Worship”

WE ARE NURTURED by GOD’S WORD

Children’s Message *James L. Crow*

Processional Hymn, UMH # 191, vs. 1 “Jesus Loves Me”

The children are invited to come forward as we sing.

Concluding Hymn “Hallelujah (Praise Ye the Lord)” *Author Unknown*

Old Testament Reading Genesis 18:1-8

Please refer to your Bible’s Table of Contents to locate this scripture.

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

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Message
“The Trinity’s Invitation of Love”
Rev. Dr. Norma Lee Kerns Barnhart

WE RESPOND to GOD’S WORD

§ Hymn of Affirmation **“Come, Join the Dance of Trinity”**

*Please turn to page 12 in the front of The United Methodist Hymnal.
You may also follow along with the slides for today’s communion liturgy.*

Offering Our Gifts and Our Selves

Offertory “How Majestic Is Your Name” *Michael W. Smith*

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

Please remain standing as you are able.

The SERVICE of WORD and TABLE

*We will use Musical Setting A on p. 17 for the sung responses.
The communion bread served is gluten-free so that all may partake of the Holy Sacrament.*

WE ARE SCATTERED to SERVE

§ Hymn of Sending Forth UMH #451 **“Be Thou My Vision”**

§ Benediction

Postlude “Go Out with Joy” *Mary McDonald*

*You are invited to finish worship by listening to the Postlude.
If you wish to leave, you may do so, leaving quietly so others may enjoy the Postlude.*

Facetime by the Big Bell

Your contributions in the white baskets on the 1st Sunday of every month at Communion will be greatly appreciated to further our local outreach. The Local Mission Committee will report what they do with your monthly contributions in The Chimes.

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TODAY'S WORSHIP

Ushers: The Sandy Gregory Team

Sound Tech: Tim Welk

Liturgist: Cindy Anderson

Van Driver: Curly Thompson

Video Tech: Steve Ripley

Acolyte: Ella Anderson

Facetime Hostess: Sue Cram

Announcements

- **United Women in Faith are currently selling mums and some other autumnal plants.** Order forms were mailed with *The Chimes*, but additional copies are now available in the Narthex and Church Office. Orders are due Tuesday, August 30th by 3 p.m. Please make checks payable to Court Street UMW.
- **Jeremiah Development requests clothing donations for their final two LOVE Rockford events.** Please donate fall/ winter apparel for men, women, and children. This includes clothes and winter coats, hats, gloves, etc. NO BOOTS OR SHOES. Please donate to Room 109 by Sunday, August 28th.
- **Contact Nancy Shindel if you can volunteer to help serve Communion.**
- **We would like to know your hopes, dreams, concerns, suggestions, and questions regarding the future of Court Street's Congregation.** You may write your responses and then send them to the church via mail or email, or you may fill out the comment sheet that is available in the Narthex and submit it to an usher.
- **Parish Nurse Teresa Field would like to offer a Weekly Exercise Class for Strength & Balance.** Classes would start in September and be on Tuesdays from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. in the Dining Room. If you are interested, please sign up with the office by Monday, August 29th. All are welcome, including your friends.
- **Aldersgate UMC (4055 N. Rockton Avenue) will hold their Annual Corn Boil on Sunday, August 14th from 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.** Tickets will be sold at the event. Meals include a water, coffee, or soda; a dessert; a hot dog; and all the corn you can eat. Call (815) 654-3800 with questions or offers to volunteer.

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