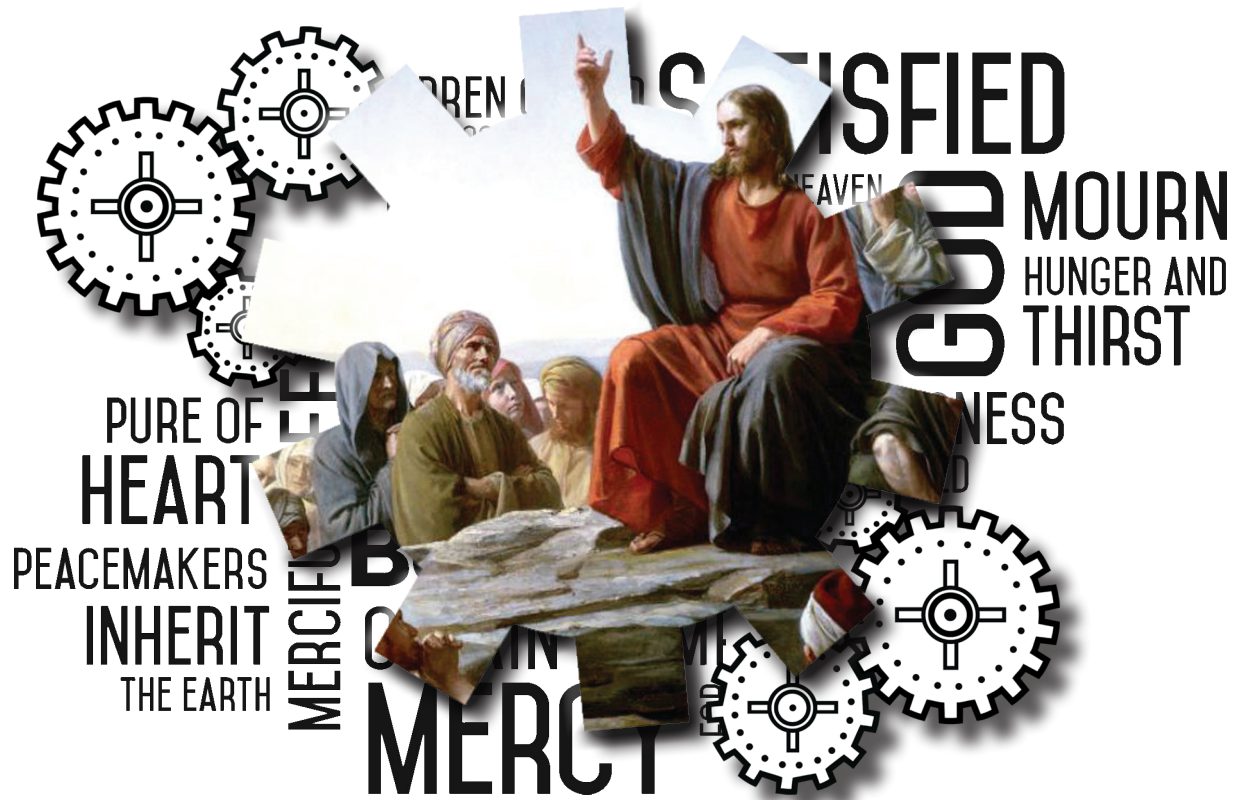


ORDER OF WORSHIP

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.**

Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

January 29, 2023

**Parents, please escort your children to the restrooms.
Please keep your personal belongings with you at all times.
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

“Blest are They”

Charles L. Lenz

§ Call to Worship

Leader: For those who have not been welcomed before,

***People:* You are welcomed by Christ here.**

Leader: For those who have been turned away,

***People:* Christ is opening the door for you.**

Leader: For those who have been forgotten,

***People:* God cannot forget you, for God made you.**

Leader: Come, join together in worship of our God.

***People:* You are God’s beloved. We welcome each other in the name of Christ.
Amen.**

—Rev. Mindi Welton-Mitchell, rev-o-lution.org.

§ Opening Hymn FWS #2002

“I Will Call upon the Lord”

WE ARE NURTURED BY GOD’S WORD

Old Testament Reading

Micah 6:1-8

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.**

Children’s Message

James L. Crow

Processional Hymn

“Jesus Loves Me”

The children are invited to come forward as we sing.

Concluding Hymn

“Hallelujah (Praise Ye the Lord)”

Author Unknown

§ Gospel Reading Matthew 5:1-12

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

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

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

Message
"KOG People"
Rev. Calvin Culpepper

WE RESPOND to GOD'S WORD

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer, UMH #895

Offering Our Gifts and Our Selves

Offertory

"Assurance"

Beck

Presented by Chancel Choir

§ Doxology UMH #94

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

WE ARE SCATTERED TO SERVE

§ Hymn of Sending Forth UMH #295, vv. 1,3, & 5

"In the Cross of Christ I Glory"

§ Benediction

God's people! You pray each week for the kingdom of God to come. Go forth in the sure knowledge that the kingdom of God comes through you. Placemakers — giving in your lives, a place for the kingdom of God. Amen.

Choral Benediction

"Go Ye Now In Peace"

Eilers

Postlude

"Grand Choer Processional"

G.F. Handel

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



**Altar flowers given by Bert Cromwell in honor of her mother
Theresa Riofredo.**

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TODAY'S WORSHIP

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| Ushers: | The Sue Cram Team | Van Driver: | Jeff Mann |
| Sound Tech: | Ryan Welk | Video Tech: | Steve Ripley |
| Liturgist: | Curly Thompson | Cameraman: | Andrew Mertenich |
| Acolyte: | Lili Breson | Livestream Techs: | Krysta Tilges & |
| Facetime Host: | Volunteer(s) Welcome | | Ella Anderson |

Announcements

- **A memorial funeral service for Brad King will be held TOMORROW, Monday, January 30th at 11 a.m. at Advantage Funeral Home & Willwood Burial Park (7000 West State Street).**
- **UWF is holding a luncheon on Wednesday, February 1st at 12 Noon in the Dining Room.** Lunch costs \$10, RSVP to Donna Dow **TODAY** at (815) 963-3020. Dee Lacny, Executive Director for Rock House Kids, will give a special presentation. Make check donations payable to Rock House Kids or bring items from their current wish list (see flier in handicap foyer for details.).
- **This year's Lenten Study is based on *Savior: What the Bible Says about the Cross* by Magrey R. de-Vega.** Please request your copy by Friday, February 10th so that the office can order that afternoon. Price TBD. *Don't have to join the study to request a copy or vice versa.*
- **The Domestic Violence Subcommittee is meeting Tuesday, February 7th at 11 a.m. in the library.**
- **Most people will never play in the Super Bowl, but anyone can play in Court Street's SOUPER Bowl.** All you need to do to become an MVP for Team Court Street is bring a can or more of soup for the Rock River Valley Pantry *on any given Sunday* from now until Game Day, February 12th.
- **Blanket Sunday is February 12th.** So prepare to throw your loose change in the blanket to benefit CWS. (But maybe set a few coins to the side for **Noisy Sunday, February 19th**.)

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