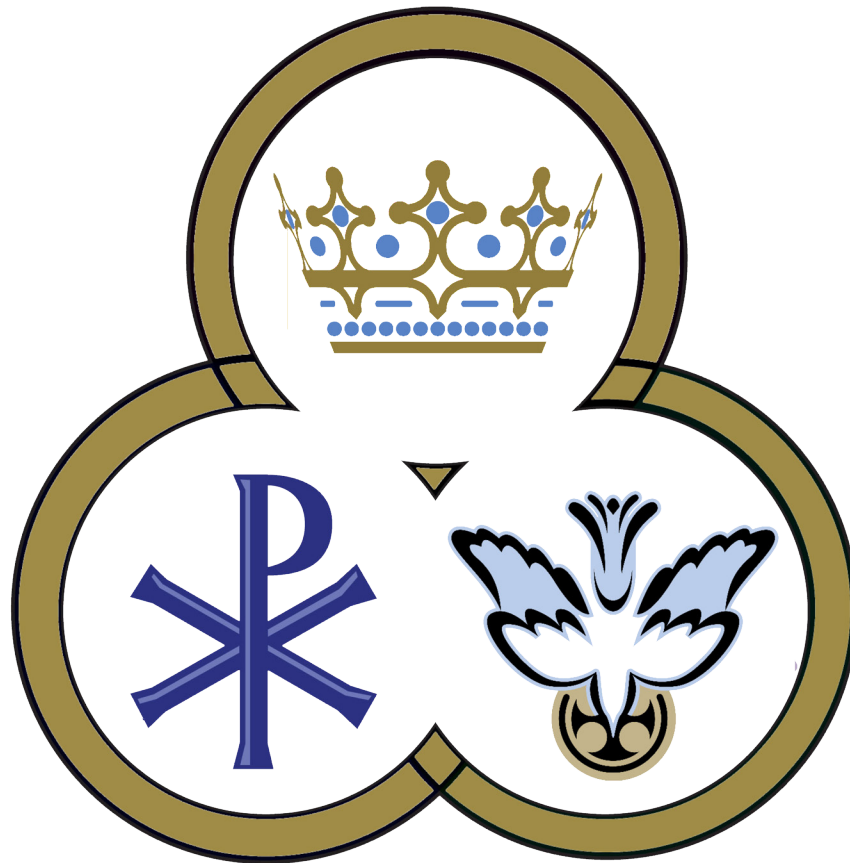


# ORDER OF WORSHIP

10:00 WORSHIP SERVICE



## Trinity Sunday

June 4, 2023

*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.**

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

§ Denotes when to stand as you are able

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## WE GATHER to be NURTURED

*Ringing of the Bell*

Prelude

Meditation on “How Great Thou Art”

*Albert Zabel*

### § Call to Worship

*Leader:* God, Creator, for your glory shining forth in sky and sea, in the changing light on the hills, in the flight of birds, in the plants of the field, for the gift of life in all its fullness,

*People:* **we thank you.**

*Leader:* Jesus, Redeemer, for blessing children, healing the sick, raising up the lowly, suffering the brokenness of the world in your own body, that we might have fullness of life,

*People:* **we thank you.**

*Leader:* Holy Spirit, Comforter, for breathing new hope and strength into our lives, breaking down barriers, drawing human beings together in love, resisting all that diminishes fullness of life,

*People:* **we thank you.**

*All:* **Holy Trinity, in all that we do and say and are, may we always choose life, for ourselves and for our neighbors. Amen.**

—“Monthly Prayers,” The Christian Aid Website. [christianaid.org.uk](http://christianaid.org.uk). Inspired by Deuteronomy 30:19.

### § Opening Hymn FWS #2022

**“Great Is the Lord”**

## WE ARE NURTURED by GOD’S WORD

Old Testament Reading

Psalm 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 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*

## Confirmation

*Please refer to your insert.*

**Liliana Christine Breson**

**Kaylee Marie Bulliner**

**Layla Rose Lutmer**

§ Gospel Reading

Matthew 28:16-20

*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

“Doing God’s Work!”

*Rev. Calvin Culpepper*

## WE RESPOND to GOD’S WORD

*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

“I Will Call Upon The Lord”

§ Doxology UMH #94

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

## 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 #145

“Morning Has Broken”

§ Benediction

My friends, go forth from this place in the love of God as you follow in the footsteps of God’s son, Jesus the Christ. May the presence of God be real to you by the power of the Holy Spirit. Go forth, therefore, in love and hope as you walk with the triune God of glory and strength. Amen.

Musical Benediction

Improvisatory

Postlude

“God of Grace”

*Arr. Paul Manz*

*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.*

## Reception in Honor of Today’s Confirmands

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## TODAY'S WORSHIP

<b>Ushers:</b>	The DuWayne Stanis Team	<b>Van Driver:</b>	Curly Thompson
<b>Sound Tech:</b>	Stan Tunnell	<b>Acolyte:</b>	Lili Breson
<b>Liturgist:</b>	Dorothy Powell	<b>Video Tech:</b>	Steve Ripley
<b>Livestream Techs:</b> Krysta Tilges & Ella Anderson			

## Announcements

- **Today we confirm Lili Breson, Kaylee Bulliner, and Layla Lutmer.** Please join us after service for a reception and slice of celebratory cake.
- **Today's altar flowers were given by Bert Cromwell in honor of our confirmands.**
- **The next exercise class will meet Monday, June 5<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m. in the dining room.** The exercise class will meet on Mondays (same time and location) during the month of June.
- **The United Women in Faith (UWF) are holding their annual Summer Picnic at the Town Center at Wesley Willows on Wednesday, June 7<sup>th</sup>.** Please arrive between 11 and 11:15 a.m. Please also bring a white elephant gift or dollar store find (no more than \$1.25 value) to serve as a prize for the event's games. RSVP to Donna Dow ASAP at (815) 963-3020.
- **Today we are collecting for Peace with Justice Sunday.** Special donation envelopes are available in the Narthex or from an usher.
- **REMEMBER:** Your contributions in the white baskets on the 1<sup>st</sup> 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*.
- **The ECHO Ringers are holding their June Medley concert at SecondFirst Church next Sunday, June 11<sup>th</sup> at 3 p.m.**
- **This year's Blessing of the Pets is scheduled for Wednesday, June 14<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m.** Expect the brief service to be held on the outside sidewalk unless inclement weather dictates otherwise. You may bring your pet(s) or a photo of your pet(s) to have blessed.

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