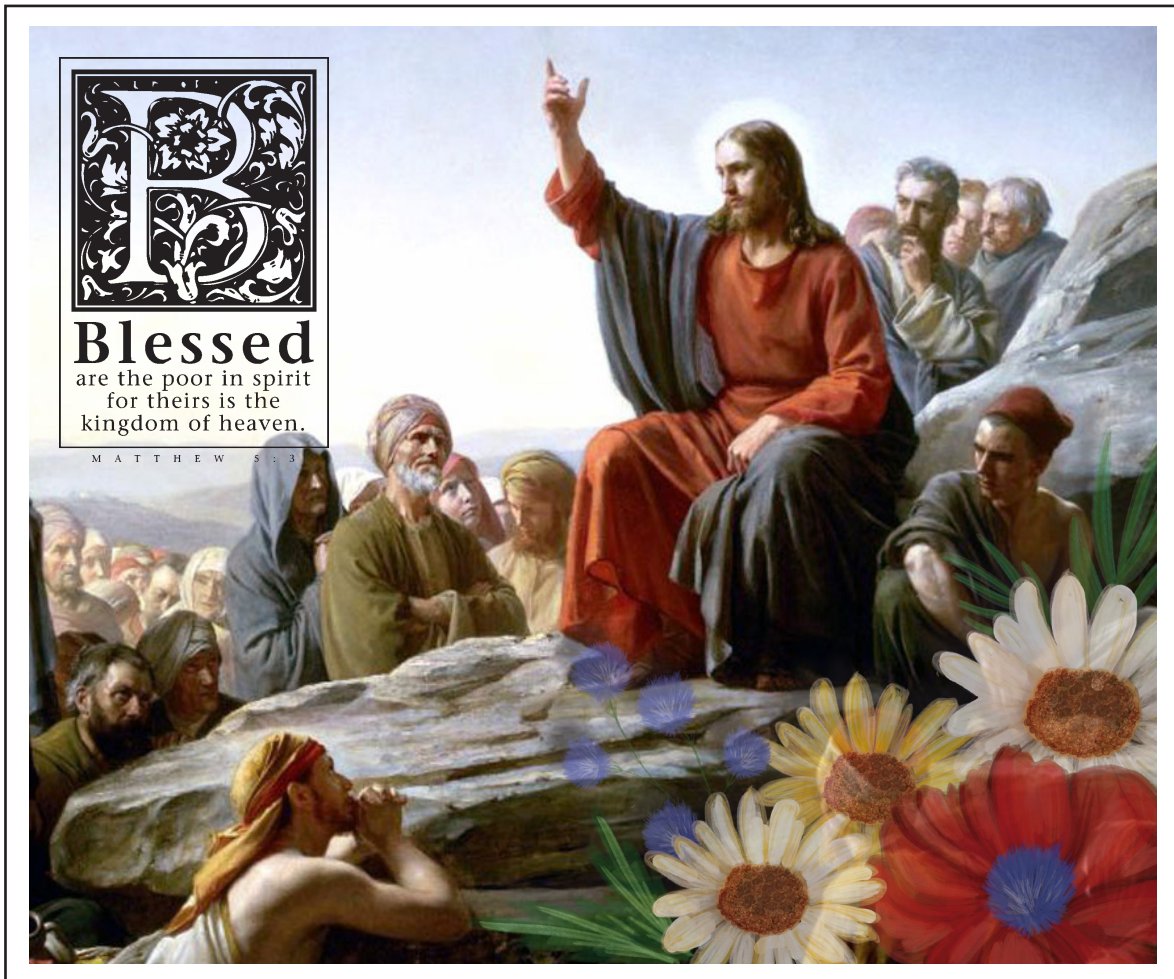


# ORDER OF WORSHIP

10:00 WORSHIP SERVICE



**ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY**

**23<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

November 5, 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

“Behold a Host, Arrayed in White”

*John Ferguson*

### **§ Call to Worship**

*Leader:* Let all who hunger for God come to God’s holy hill!

*People:* **Blessed are those whose desire is for the Lord; let us lift our hearts and voices in thanksgiving.**

*Leader:* Let all who thirst for God enter the temple of the Lord.

*People:* **Blessed are those who worship in spirit and in truth. Let us worship God with prayer and praise!**

### **§ Opening Hymn UMH #448**

**“Go Down, Moses”**

## **WE ARE NURTURED BY GOD’S WORD**

New Testament Reading

Revelation 7:9-17

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

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

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

Children’s Message

*James L. Crow*

Processional Hymn UMH # 585, vs. 1

“This Little Light of Mine”

*The children are invited to come forward as we sing.*

Concluding Hymn

“Hallelujah (Praise Ye the Lord)”

*Author Unknown*

### **§ Gospel Reading**

Matthew 5:1-16

*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**

“The Way of a Saint”

*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

“Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation”

*Wood*

Presented by Chancel Choir

§ 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.*

Naming of Saints - *Please see enclosed list.*

*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 FWS #2126

“All Who Hunger”

§ Benediction

Let us go forth as the meek of the earth and the poor in spirit; as those who, mourning, have been comforted; as those who, hungering for righteousness, have been filled; as peacemakers, and place-makers — giving in our lives, a place for the kingdom of God. Amen.

Choral Benediction

“Dismiss Us From This Place”

*Jones/Berman*

Postlude

“Elegy”

*George Thalben-Ball*

*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 Judy Mehren in loving memory of Sherry Mehren Blascoe's birthday (November 8<sup>th</sup>), Fred Mehren, and Fred's heart donor Trafari, who gave Fred the Gift of Life on November 15<sup>th</sup>.



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## TODAY'S WORSHIP

**Ushers:** The Sandy Gregory Team  
**Sound Tech:** Tim Welk  
**Van Driver:** Jeff Mann

**Acolyte:** Kaylee Bulliner  
**Video Tech:** Steve Ripley  
**Liturgist:** Cindy Anderson

**Livestream Techs:** Krysta Tilges & Ella Anderson

**Facetime Hostesses:** Dorothy Powell, Nancy Doran, and Georgalee George

## Announcements

- **Veterans Day Recognition** During worship on Sunday, November 12<sup>th</sup> we will recognize those in the congregation who have served in the armed forces. Please submit to the office by Tuesday, November 7 a photo of yourself, preferably in uniform. We would also like as many details about your service as you wish to share, such as branch, division, classification, rank, service location, and any possible medals bestowed upon you.
- **Kitchen Cleanup Day: Wednesday, November 8<sup>th</sup>.** It's time to do another thorough cleaning of the kitchen and take inventory of its supplies. Please come at 9 a.m. and prepare to stay until roughly 11:30 a.m.
- **Last Saturday, the UMM distributed 420 10 lb. bags of potatoes to those in need in the downtown area.** On Monday, 90 bags were distributed to places like Brooke Road Community Center, Veterans Drop-in Center, and Miss Carly's. The remaining 27 bags were held for distribution to families in the Angel Tree program. Final results: 540 bags of potatoes distributed. **A big thanks to all who helped on that chilly day!!**
- **If you would like to order a copy of the Advent Study book, *An Unlikely Advent* by Rachel Billups, please submit your request to the office no later than 3 p.m. on Friday, November 10<sup>th</sup>.**
- **The UMM will NOT meet at the Stockholm Inn on Saturday, November 11<sup>th</sup>.** Instead, they will meet at Grace UMC, starting at 8:15 a.m. for a district breakfast and communion worship service. It's \$10 to participate; pastors eat for free. RSVP to Dave Hilton via email at dvohilton@yahoo.com or Grace UMC at (815) 637-4561. DS Rev. Dr. Hwa-Young Chong will speak with special music by Dan Holmes.
- **Tis the Season for Angel Tree.** Starting Sunday, November 12<sup>th</sup> the Angel Tree table will be set up in the Narthex. Angel Tree is a ministry that helps incarcerated parents buy presents for their children. Make sure you've spoken with Barb or Gene Ferry or a representative before you make any purchases.
- **Next Sunday, November 12<sup>th</sup>, Carpenter's Place is holding their Walk & Empty Bowl Fundraiser.** Please register online ASAP if you wish to participate. See flier in handicap vestibule for details.

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