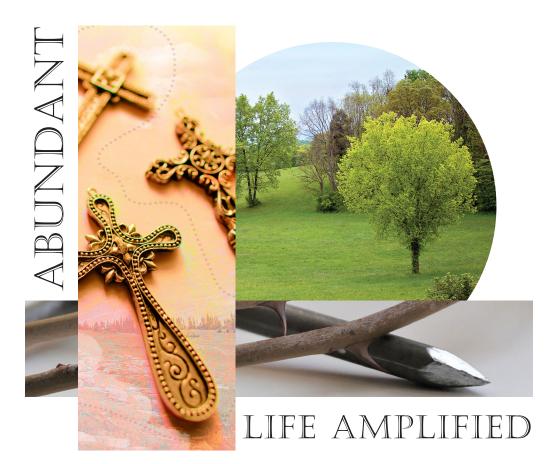
ORDER OF WORSHIP 10:00 WORSHIP SERVICE



SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

February 25, 2024



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

WE GATHER TO BE NURTURED

Ringing of the Bell

Pr	elude	"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"	Douglas E. Wagner				
The	e Service of l	Diminishing Lights					
§ Ca	§ Call to Worship						
<i>Leader</i> : Jesus said, If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselve and take up their cross and follow me.							
<i>Leader</i> : For those who want to save their life will lose it,							
	People:	And those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it.					
	Leader:	We come here today to follow you.					
	All:	Help us — Guide us — Save us.					
			– from Mark 8:35				
§ Opening Hymn FWS #2202, vv. 1, 2, 4, and 5 "Come Away with M							

WE ARE NURTURED BY GOD'S WORD

New Testament Reading Please refer to your	Romans 4:13-25 <i>scripture</i> .						
Leader: This is the Good News of our Lord, Jesus Christ.							
People: Glory to you, O Lord. Children's Message							
Processional Hymn	"This Little Light of Mine" nted by Youth Choir on Choir Chimes	Arr. Armstrong					
Message	5	James L. Crow					
Concluding Hymn Presen	"Joyful, Joyful" nted by Youth Choir on Choir Chimes	Arr. Armstrong					

§ Gospel Reading

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

Message "Abundant Life Amplified" *Rev. Calvin Culpepper*

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Pastoral Prayer The Lord's Prayer, UMH #895

Offering Our Gifts and Our Selves

Offertory

"Praeludium & Fuga 1" from *The Well-Tempered Clavier* Presented by Jack Armstrong

J. S. Bach

Doxology UMH #95 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" *Please remain standing as you are able.*

WE ARE SCATTERED TO SERVE

§ Hymn of Sending Forth UMH #374

"Standing on the Promises"

§ Benediction

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The journey of Jesus took him into a world of suffering, rejection, and death. As we go into this same world, embolden us, O God, that we too might take up our cross and follow you. Teach us to ask not that you shield us from temptation, but that you keep us from evil in temptation's midst. Amen.

	 Phyllis Cole and Everett Tilson, Litanies and Other Prayers for the Revised Common Lectionary, Year B (Abingdon Press, Nashville, 1993), 65. 			
Piano Benediction	"Dismiss Us From This Place"	Jones/Berman		
Postlude	"Be Thou My Vision"	Arr: Joel Raney		

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



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TODAY'S WORSHIP

Ushers: Sound Tech: Van Driver: The Sandy Gregory Team Stan Tunnell Tim Gorman Acolyte: Video Tech: Liturgist: Ella Anderson Steve Ripley Curly Thompson

Livestream Techs: Krysta Tilges & Ella Anderson

Facetime Hosts: Sue Cram, Donna Dow, and Judy Mehren

Ammouncennents

- Our Lenten Study this year is based on *Simon Peter* by Adam Hamilton. On Sundays in Lent you may join the Adult Sunday School at 9 a.m. or Pastor Cal at 11 a.m. (after service) in the Parlor to discuss the latest lesson.
- Please join us after service for a special Facetime in the Narthex as we celebrate Alice Gillette turning 100 on Tuesday, February 27th.
- The CSUMC Book Club will meet TODAY, Sunday, <u>February 25</u>th at Jan Mace's home at 2 p.m. to discuss *Deception Point* by Dan Brown.
- Midweek Lenten Services continue Wednesday, <u>February 28</u>th. We will hold 30-minute services in the Sanctuary at 12 Noon each Wednesday in Lent, concluding during Holy Week on March 27th.
- The Nurture Committee will hold their annual Hot Chocolate Outreach starting at 9 a.m. on the Tuesday morning of <u>March 5</u>th. It's one small way to connect with our neighbors. Domestic Violence will meet at 11 a.m. in the Library that same day. All are welcome to attend their meetings.
- The area United Methodist Men (UMM) are holding their Spring Communion Service and Breakfast at Pecatonica UMC on Saturday, <u>March 9</u>th. Breakfast will begin at 8:15 a.m., the communion service at 9:30 a.m. Rev. Brian Gilbert, DS of Prairie South, is guest speaker; Rolland Hayag will provide special music. \$10 apiece, pastors attend for free. See flier in handicap vestibule for RSVP contact info.

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