

*cour-age (noun)*

*"the ability to do something that frightens one"*



# The Courage to Be Gracious

August 28, 2022

The congregation of Washington Street UMC praises and serves God from the heart of the city in ways that reach our neighbors near and far. We welcome and affirm all who seek the love and mercy of Christ regardless of race, creed, age, gender, national origin, sexual orientation, gender identity, or economic status. We honor traditions as rooted in our history, our expression of worship, and our respect for theological curiosity. We nonetheless see vital change and ongoing renewal as essential for spiritual growth.



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# WASHINGTON STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

August 28, 2022 | 12th Sunday after Pentecost | Liturgical Color: Green

*(As our worship begins, please silence any electronic devices.  
Portable hearing devices are available in the Narthex. Please ask an usher for assistance.)*

## GATHERING IN THE NAME OF CHRIST

PRELUDE

THE RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

One: We gather in the grace and peace of God, our loving Parent, and the Lord Jesus Christ.

**All: We give thanks that God has begun a good work in us and that God will continue to carry it to completion.**

One: With love in our hearts, with praise on our lips, and with an openness of our minds.

**All: Let us worship in prayer, in song, and in hearing God's Holy Word proclaimed.**

\*HYMN #700

*Abide with Me*

EVENTIDE

Words: Henry F. Lyte, 1847 (Lk. 24:29)

Music: W. H. Monk, 1861

INVOCATION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

Ann Jessup

*(After the Children's Moments, children 2 yrs. to first grade may be dismissed to Children's Church.)*

BAPTISM HYMN #611

*Child of Blessing, Child of Promise*

STUTTGART

Words: Ronald S. Cole-Turner, 1981

Music: Attr. to C. F. Witt, 1715; adapt. by Henry J. Gauntlett, 1861

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (UMH #39)

ANTHEM

*Up to the Hills I Lift My Eyes*

Normand Gouin

MINISTRY MOMENT

## OFFERTORY

*Here I Am, Lord*  
Soloist: Bob Evans  
Flute: Rebecca Rebl

arr. Craig Courtney

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## \*DOXOLOGY #95

OLD 100th

Words: Thomas Ken, 1674  
Music: Attr. to Louis Bourgeois, 1551

## SCRIPTURE LESSON

Philippians 1:2-11

## SERMON

"Courage to be Gracious"  
*Part III of a 5-Part Series*

Rev. Becky Shirley

## \*HYMN #191

*Jesus Loves Me*

JESUS LOVES ME

Words: St. 1 Anna B. Warner, 1860; Sts. 2-3 David Rutherford McGuire;  
Music: William B. Bradbury, 1862

## \*BENEDICTION

## \*CHORAL RESPONSE

## \*POSTLUDE

*\*Congregation standing. If standing is uncomfortable, please remain seated and continue your participation.  
When our worship ends, our service begins!*

## In Sympathy

*Rev. Becky Shirley joins the entire staff and Washington Street Church family in expressing our deepest sympathy and Christian love to the family of Frances "Tut" Robertson on August 24, 2022.*

# It's not too late to join us as we study Philippians

## August 18-Sept. 16

Download the study guide and read some each day. Sit and savor it. Don't rush. Paul's letter is very short, but it is packed with a lot of dense ideas.

**SCAN THE QR CODE** or visit the website at [www.wsmethodist.org/philippians](http://www.wsmethodist.org/philippians) to download the reading guide and sign up online to participate!



## Small Group Study

**Wednesdays | August 24-Sept. 14**

**11:00 am-12:15 pm—John Harper Classroom**

**7:00-8:15 pm—Zoom**

We will meet on Wednesdays and will discuss one chapter each week. This small group will coincide with Rev. Becky's sermon series, "Courage to...", using passages from Philippians. For more information, or to sign up email Rev. Alston at [aflippert@umcsc.org](mailto:aflippert@umcsc.org).

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**PRAYER THOUGHT**

He gave us all He had to give...So that we can truly live...So let's give all we have to Him...  
So that we can be completely free.

**PRAYER LIST**

Joan Beamer  
Martha Boynton  
David Byrum  
Laura Collins  
Heidi Conte  
Mickey Epting  
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Malcolm Lemons  
Paul McClanahan  
David Middleton

Genie & Ron Quinn  
Rick Rowe  
Boyd Saunders  
Stephanie Saunders  
Sarah Threatt  
Edee Vaughan  
Jim Ward  
Our homebound

**TODAY'S BAPTISM**

Today we celebrate the baptism of Fisher Case, daughter of Barrett (Fisher) & David Case; sister of Jackson Case; and Riggs Rogers, son of Robyn (Fisher) & Kirk Rogers; and brother of Winn Rogers. Both are the grandchildren of Sarah & Ed Fisher.

**SERVING TODAY**

Director of Music	Nicholas Todd Shumate
Organ	Louis Shirer
Piano	Dr. Rick Frierson
Ushers	Tommy Betenbaugh, Alan-Jon Zupan
Sound/Video	Charles Garren/Lynn Shirley
Visitor Cards	Suzanne Joye
Pew Maintenance	Sarah Jones
Nursery	Jane Polk, McKenzie Powers
Children's Church	Mackin Wall
Online Service Moderator	Ed McClain

**STEWARDSHIP REPORT**

**(YTD as of 8-26-22):**

**Church Budget: \$865,000**

Church Actual	\$352,489
Soup Cellar	\$49,719
Foundation	\$22,930

**SCAN TO GIVE**



**Attendance on 8/26/22: 134 (in-person); 134 (online as of 8/26/22); TOTAL = 272**

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