

COURT STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



WELCOME

God offers ABUNDANT grace for all persons

FEBRUARY 6, 2022

GATHERING

Prelude	<i>It Is Well Within My Soul</i>	Rev. James West
Gathering		
Song of Faith		<i>My Hope is Built</i>

ENGAGING

Prayers for Illumination		
Scripture		Isaiah 43:1-2 Isaiah 43:16-21
Act of Praise	<i>I Have this Hope</i>	Rev. James West
Message		<i>Abundant Hope: I Have This Hope</i>
Questions for Reflection		

THANKSGIVING

Gathering at the Table of Christ

SENDING

Living the Word		
Song of Faith		<i>You Are Mine</i>
Blessing for the Road Ahead		
Postlude	<i>How Firm a Foundation</i>	Rev. James West

Worship Credits

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Call to Worship by Rev. Mindi

Call to Action

After reading Isaiah 43:1-2, 16-21 take time to reflect upon, journal, or share in conversations with another person about these questions:

- What do you fear? How might the personality, presence, and promises of God ease those fears?
- How can we honor our past while eagerly awaiting the “new thing” God will do?
- How do you describe the hope you have?

Prayer Practice: Breath Prayer

This prayer practice focuses on our breathing. In our everyday activity our pace is often hurried and our breathing shallower. To best practice this prayer make sure to sit upright with your feet on the ground, back straight, head up, and your arms and hands in a comfortable position, possibly resting in your lap. Take a few deep breaths focusing on expanding your lungs. Then breathe deeply for 2 to 5 minutes. Use the IN phrase as you inhale and the OUT phrase as you exhale. You may speak the phrase aloud or meditate upon it silently.

IN > **God is doing**
OUT > **a new thing**

Prayer of the Week

Creator God, you claim us, love us, rescue us, and redeem us! We are yours, and you are ours. Amen

Daily Readings for This Week

Every day through scripture reading and prayer we will discover the broader story of God’s Word. Together let’s go deeper into God’s Word this week.

Monday ... Romans 8:24-28

Tuesday ... Psalm 23

Wednesday ... Deut. 32:1-4

Thursday ... Matthew 7:24-29

Friday ... Romans 5:3-5

Saturday ... Romans 8:31-32

Sunday ... Rest

Scripture for Next Sunday

2 Corinthians 5:6-10

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