

## 2021–22 Bicentennial Planning Committee

Diane Burre Ludwig, Co-Chair  
Linda Rootes, Co-Chair

Rev. Rebecca Dunger Peak, Pastor  
Rev. Jim West, Music Minister

Mona Bartley	Bobby Mealy
Mary Ann Echelmeier	Linda Mealy
Jan Finke	Deana Ready
Linda Hogan	Barb Rueter

Special Thanks to:  
Cindy and Elle Beckmeyer for Logo design



## Court Street United Methodist Church

10:45 a.m.

Sunday, May 22, 2022

*\* indicates that the people are invited to stand as they are able and comfortable*

Prelude Rev. Jim West and Jay West  
*Variations on a theme of Haydn 'Saint Anthony Chorale'*

\* Processional Song *Lord, What a Cloud of Witnesses*

Gathering

\* Song of Faith *O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing* #57

Anniversary Anthem *Assembled in Your Name*

Greeting and Introduction Rev. Dr. Mi Hyeon Lee  
*Mid-State District Superintendent*

Message *Marking Our Present* Bishop Bob Farr  
*Presiding Bishop of the Missouri Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church*

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Offering

*You are invited to leave your offering and Connections Card in on of the offering plates on either side of the center aisle as you leave the sanctuary following worship.*

Prayer of Dedication

Doxology

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## 2022 CSUMC Leadership

### Administrative Board

Linda Rootes, Chair & Treasurer  
Mona Bartley, Secretary  
Linda Mealy, Lay Leader  
Deana Ready, Lay Member of Annual Conference

Mary Ann Echelmeier	Diane Burre Ludwig
Parker Echelmeier	Bobby Mealy
Jan Finke	Barb Rueter
Linda Hogan	Mallory Rueter
Les Hudson	Linda Williams

### Committee on Nominations & Leadership Development

Rev. Rebecca Dunger Peak, Chair  
Barb Rueter, Vice Chair Linda Rootes  
Linda Mealy, Lay Leader Linda Williams  
Jan Finke

Upcoming

\* Blessing Over the Meal

\* Parting Blessing

Bishop Bob Farr

\* Recessional Song

*Build Your Kingdom Here*

Postlude

Rev. Jim West and Jay West

*Trumpet Voluntary*

Many Thanks to **Shannon Mertens** for providing our American Sign Language interpretation. Fulton is home of the Missouri School for the Deaf. Several current and former members have at one time been staff at MSD.

Many Thanks to the **many guest musicians** who have joined us from near and far. Some are members of other congregations. Still others are part of our virtual ministry SOWN: Singing on Wednesday Nights that began during the pandemic and continues to this day.

## Following the Worship Gathering

### All-Church Dinner

### Fellowship Hall

Fried chicken or sliced ham, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, and a host of wonderful 'covered dishes,' along with rolls and butter, tea, coffee, and water. Many desserts also await.

### Homecoming Selfies

### Fellowship Hall

Create new memories through pictures. Check out the photo area on the stage in the Fellowship Hall and take a selfie to share. Get the whole family together!

### Stained-Glass Window Tours

### Sanctuary

Youth of the church will conduct tours of the primary stained-glass windows in the sanctuary. Tours are at 1:30 p.m. and 2:00 p.m., lasting 20 minutes.



# Celebrating 200 Years

While our initial planning was put on hold due to Covid, we did get started again in 2021. We held two large all-church meetings to brainstorm the many ways we might celebrate our 200th anniversary, both in our church and in our community.



The initial session generated over 95 ideas! The second session streamlined the list to approximately 48 ideas and the Planning Committee was formed to bring the list to a manageable level. Then Covid put all plans on hold.

As we reviewed the list, some ideas could still be implemented while others had to wait. We needed an anniversary logo. Our thanks to Cindy and Elle Beckmeyer for the dramatic black and gold logo you see here. It helped set the tone for our festivities.

During the next few months, we collected 200 "items of warmth" for Fulton Public Schools, through the Bright Futures program. Our church members and friends

items included blankets, sleeping bags, sweaters, sweatshirts, flannel shirts, scarves, gloves and caps, and other items from the organization's Wish List.

During the summer and fall, we were outside in front of the church passing out bottled water (over 200 in total) to those watching pa-

rades. **In the Fall**, we grilled hotdogs for those coming to our monthly Food Pantry @ Court Street and Baby Grace program.

As 2021 gave way at midnight to 2022, we asked our members to collectively surround the new year with 200 minutes of prayer. Children in **Children's Church** began a project to do "200 Acts of Kindness."

Throughout the months, we used the newsletter to review our 200 years of Methodism in the Fulton area and celebrate our history.

For our finale, we have this special homecoming service and a special ink pen to commemorate the day. We did-



# The Pastors of Court Street UMC

*NOTE: For many of the early years, the church was part of the Missouri Circuit, Cedar Creek Circuit, Columbia Circuit and/or Fulton Circuit with various preachers. It is recorded that James Scott was the first to preach in the home of Robert Craghead in 1821, the first location of this Methodist church.*

According to records on file at Court Street United Methodist Church, the following pastors have served the church:

M. L. Gray	1884-85	C. E. Ruyle	1935-37
A. Beagle	1885-86	Marion N. Waldrip	1937-38
T. W. Whitten	1886-88	W. L. Myers	1938-42
G. W. Warren	1888-91	Mark S. Horn	1942-46
W. F. Packard	1891-95	J. D. Randolph	1946-50
W. A. Hanna	1895-98	Mark S. Horn	1950-51
I.R.A. Vaughn	1898-99	Joseph H. Wagner	1951-59
J. H. Jackson	1899-1903	Ted Mallinckrodt	1959-65
A. B. Culbertson	1903-04	Fletcher Dodson	1966 (Feb- July)
J. H. Pritchett	1904-05	R. Vergil Eaton	1966-73
C. M. Davenport	1905-07	Richard C. White	1973-78
T. W. Alton	1907-10	O. Otto Steinhaus	1978-85
C. B. Duncan	1910-12	Pete Soens	1985-90
J. C. Handy	1912-15	Jim Robinson	1990-97
W. L. Scarborough	1915-20	George Braden	1997-2002
R. C. Holliday	1920-24	John Hoos	2002-07
Robert McIlvoy	1924-25	Diana Loomis	2007-11
J. M. Bone	1925-27	Emily Carroll	2011-14
Charles J. Dohn	1927-31	Rebecca Dunger Peak	2014- Present
David K. Pegues	1931-33		
J. M. Boyd	1933-35		

# Bicentennial Homecoming Celebration

## Worship Gathering Participants



**Bishop Bob Far**  
*Presiding Bishop  
 Missouri Annual Conference  
 The United Methodist Church*



**Rev. Dr. Mi Hyeon Lee**  
*Mid-State District Superintendent  
 of the Missouri Annual Conference*



**Rev. Rebecca Dunger Peak**  
*Pastor  
 Court Street & Shiloh  
 United Methodist Churches*



**Rev. Jim West**  
*Minister of Music  
 Court Street United Methodist Church*

## Court Street Singers and Guests

### Sopranos

Sara Beth Clapp  
Susan Dickerson  
Becky Gohring  
Linda Mealy  
Mary Safire  
Elisa Sims  
Stephanie Vollmer  
Sarah Wruck

### Altos

Leslea Alexander  
Sylvia Brown  
Debbie Morris  
Rebecca Dunger Peak  
Gwen Pope  
Sandie Proske  
Deana Ready

### Tenors

Tom Clapp  
Bruce Jeffries  
Joseph McDonald  
Ted Proske  
Barb Rueter  
Jay West

### Basses

Bob Edwards  
David Orr  
Michael Pope  
John Rootes

## Court Street Ringers and Guests

Mary Ann Echelmeier  
Becky Gohring

Linda Mealy  
Deana Ready

Barb Rueter  
Mallory Rueter

### Musicians

Chris Brown, Drums  
Jay West, Piano  
Jim West, Clavinova

### Acolytes

Ellie Jo Alexander  
Brock Henry

## Conductor/Composer: Dustin Dunn

When initial planning was underway, it was proposed to have a special anthem created for our bicentennial and presented in 2021. Rev. Jim West reached out to his colleague, Dustin Dunn, then completing a Bachelor's degree in Music Composition from the University of Missouri. Dustin agreed. Then the COVID pandemic re-arranged all plans.



After many months and a rescheduled date, we are honored to have Dustin Dunn here today for the world premier of his piece, *Assembled in Your Name*, an anthem for mixed voices, bells, and Clavinova. It was composed from a poem by Charles Wesley, brother of Methodism founder, John Wesley. The poem is more than 300 years old. Dunn and Rev. West edited the poem carefully to update and clarify language.

Dunn is now completing his Master's of Music Composition at the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor. Dunn has won many awards and at MU was recipient of the Sinqefeld Full Ride Music Composition scholarship.

## Court Street United Methodist Church 1821-2021

### Our Church Homes



1821 First Methodist Church established in Callaway County; met in the Craghead home 4 miles south of Fulton (top red building)



1833 The congregation moved to Fulton, still meeting in homes.

1840 First Methodist Church building erected in Fulton at a cost of \$900 (white building)



1859 Larger Methodist Church constructed at Court Street and St. Louis Avenue; cost of \$7,500 (red building with steeple)

1900 Third Methodist Church building constructed at same Court Street location, cost of \$12,000; know as 'yellow brick' Methodist Church.



1946 Education wing build onto the yellow brick Methodist church; cost of \$25,000.

1958 Current red brick Methodist Church with Fellowship Hall built at Court Street location; cost of \$145,000.



1966 Current red brick Education Building built on site of yellow brick church which was razed.