

# WELCOME TO COURT STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

*Yesterday is history. Tomorrow is a mystery.*

# WIN THE DAY



**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2022**

✦ Indicates worshipers may stand as they are comfortable

## GATHERING

Prelude *Come, Let Us Dream* Rev. Jim West

Gathering

✦ Song of Faith *Give Me the Faith Which Can Remove*

## ENGAGING

Scripture 2 Corinthians 9:6-15 | Matthew 13:31-32 & 17:14-20

Act of Praise *Sow Mercy* Rev. Jim West

Message:

*Seed the Clouds*

Rev. Rebecca Dunger Peak

## THANKSGIVING

Prayers of the People

Offering

Doxology

## SENDING

Upcoming

✦ Song of Faith *Day One*

Blessing

Postlude *You Are the Seed* Rev. Jim West

## Questions for Reflection

1. What is one thing that stood out to you from this week's message?
2. Can you think of something that you are harvesting today as a result of seeds that you sowed some time ago? Did you sow those seeds intentionally?
3. Can you think of something that you are harvesting today as a result of seed that someone else sowed for you some time ago? Were you aware that they were sowing these seeds for you at the time?
4. How can you invest in the future? What seeds can you sow today that future generations will benefit from? How can your decisions today affect eternity?
5. What is delaying you from sowing seeds today? How can you work past these delays, and begin to develop a sense of urgency to sow these seeds as soon as possible?

## Daily Prayer

xGreat Seed Sower, I am grateful for the many ordinary people, prophets, priests, and disciples who have sown seeds that reap the building up of me, others, and especially your beloved kin-dom. If your Word is my backstory and my life is the rest of the story, then help me to sow seeds today that lead to all the unborn tomorrows you and I imagine together. Today may I sow seeds in something as simple as a smile. Today may I shift the atmosphere with my attitude. Today may I alter the trajectory of someone's life with a small act of kindness. Today, with every sacrifice I make and every risk I take, may I seed the clouds and win the day. Amen.

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## 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 ... 1 Kings 17:1-7; 18:41-46

Tuesday ... Luke 12:22-34

Wednesday ... Philippians 4:8-9

Thursday ... Romans 14:5-6

Friday ... 2 Corinthians 4:16-18

Saturday ... Luke 11:3

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Opening Prayer written by Nancy C. Townley, on the Worship Connection page of the Ministry Matters website. <http://www.ministrymatters.com/>

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Prayer of Dedication written by Rev. Quentin Chin. Posted on the United Church of Christ website. <http://ucffiles.com/pdf/FeedmySheepEaster3April14.pdf>