

# WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

\* indicates to stand as you are able;  
if sitting is better for you, feel free to do so!

Preparing for Worship                      Nearer My God to Thee  
arr. Robert Lau

Greeting    *Pastor Michelle*  
Announcements                                      *Bruce Bishop*  
*There are pads in the seats to help us connect with you—please  
take some time during the service to fill it out and pass it along.  
Feel free to check in on Facebook as well.*

We Are Called to Worship  
One: Blessed be God, Living Word and Abiding Spirit  
**All: Glory to God forever**  
One: Jesus said, the way to see God's dream for the world  
is to be born from above  
**All: Breathe into us the gift of your spirit; enable us to  
grow deeper in your love, and for your likeness to  
shine through us in our thoughts, our words, and  
our actions.**

One: Let us pray together:  
**Holy God, source of all goodness, you gave your son  
for the life of the world and sent your spirit that your  
love might abide within us. Teach us how to love each  
other this day, that we may have life, and have it  
abundantly, with you, in Christ, and through the Holy  
Spirit. Amen**

**\*Song #441 (red)                      What Does the Lord Require?**

\*We Exchange Signs of Peace and Blessing  
*Please greet your neighbors, especially those you don't yet know*

A Time for the Child in All of Us (11 am)

Special Music (11am)                      I Want Jesus to Walk With Me  
*Chancel Choir*    Cherwien

Scripture                      John 3:1-17                      Anne DePugh

We Offer Ourselves and Our Gifts to God's Purposes  
Just a Little Talk with Jesus ~ Derricks                      *Chancel Choir*  
Response: All things come from you, O God.

**All: And of your own have we given you.**

\*Song of Dedication #94 Doxology  
\*Prayer of Dedication

**\*Song #593 (red)    Here I Am, Lord**

We Hear Joys and Concerns and Pray for Each Other  
*Following the pastor's prayer, we will speak the names of others  
not already named who need special prayers today.  
This ends with the words: "Lord, in Your Love;"  
the people respond: "Hear our prayers."*  
The Lord's Prayer #895 (red)

Scripture                      Romans 8:12-17                      *Dave Henderson*

The Sermon    *Alisyn Klock*

**\*Song #2223 (black)                      They'll Know We Are Christians**

\*Blessing  
Preparing for the Week                      We're Marching to Zion  
arr. Hugh Livingston Jr.  
*Music can be a wonderful preparation for the week ahead;  
why not spend some time in prayer before departing...*

***Our Mission Statement***  
*Central UMC is a fully inclusive church that seeks, embraces,  
educates, worships, and serves, all in God's love.*

*The baptismal font remains out in the sanctuary as a visible  
reminder of our baptisms. Please take a moment as you  
enter or depart to pause, touch the water if you wish as you  
remember your own baptism. If you'd like a pebble for  
remembrance, please feel free to take one with you.*

**Celebration** After the 11am service today,  
a reception will be held in the dining room  
to celebrate Alisyn's college graduation.

## This Week

### Sunday, May 27

8:00      Worship Broadcast (Ch. 1301)  
8:30      WORSHIP – Usher Team 4  
9:00      Café Central – dining room  
9:30      Sunday School  
11:00     WORSHIP  
12:00     Reception for Alisyn – dining room

### Monday, May 28 – Memorial Day

#### **Office Closed**

5:30      Worship Broadcast (Ch. 1301)  
No Book Study at Jonathan's

### Tuesday, May 29

10-12     Clothing Center

### Wednesday, May 30

8-4        Sanctuary is open for prayer  
11-1        Clothing Center

### Thursday, May 31

5:00        Shepherd Supper  
5:30-7      Clothing Center  
6:30        Cappella Ringers  
7:30        Chancel Choir

### Friday, June 1

#### **Office Closed**

7:30        A.A.

### Saturday, June 2

### Sunday, June 3

8:00        Worship Broadcast (Ch. 1301)  
8:30        WORSHIP – Usher Team 1  
9:00        Café Central – dining room  
9:30        Teacher Recognition Breakfast  
11:00      WORSHIP

**Note:** After the service with be the 2 cents per meal  
collection for Central's Thursday community meal.

## Announcements

**Monday Book Study with Pastor Michelle** at Jonathans Restaurant is reading the book, *Jesus Before the Gospels* by Bart Ehrman. (No meeting on Memorial Day)

**Radical Hospitality Training** will refresh us on hospitality and give tips for making newcomers feel welcome. All persons in contact with newcomers are asked to attend. Pick one of the Sundays in June to attend this training.

**Recognition** We will be celebrating our church school staff and teachers on June 3 with a special breakfast. If you would like to contribute a food item or help, please sign-up on the sheet in front of the church office.

**Vines Farm Share** program is starting in June. It is a weekly subscription to a box of local veggies delivered to Central on Wednesdays. Different size shares and flexible payment plans are offered. Farm Share accepts EBT/SNAP benefits and offers up to a 50% discount to income eligible members. Please visit [www.vinesgardens.org/farmshare](http://www.vinesgardens.org/farmshare) or call/text (607) 238-3522 for more information or talk to Pat in the office.

**Lay Scripture Readers Wanted July – December** If you are interested in reading the scriptures during the 11am service, contact Bruce Bishop ([bbishop@stny.rr.com](mailto:bbishop@stny.rr.com), 748-6150) before June 24. Your commitment will be to read a scripture at 2-3 services in a 6-month period.

**Summer Music** Planning is under way for special music in our summer worship services. If you are interested or you know a talented musician who might like to sing or play on a Sunday, between June 17 - Sept. 3, please contact Connie Lamando at [connielamando@gmail.com](mailto:connielamando@gmail.com) or 607-206-0236.

**Summer Café Lite** begins June 17 (8:30-9:30am). Help is needed to host or bake. Please sign-up in the Welcome Center for the weeks you can help.

**Help Needed** We all enjoy the beautiful colors that spring flowers bring us. Well, Central needs some freshening up with some color as well. If you have some free time and like to paint, we have some projects that could use your help. There is a sign up sheet outside the church office. Looking forward to seeing you in your best painting outfit!

## In Our Prayers

**Prayer Program:** *Specific Families receiving prayer this week:*  
Doug & Maria Beach, Stacey Clark, Sarah DiNunzio,  
John Hanifin & Roseanne Rivetts, Nancy & Walt Jones,  
Dennis Matteson, Samuel & Andrea Raymond,  
Dee Stiles, Bob Wright

### **Church Family and Friends:**

Joseph Carmine, Jean Oney, Carol Potter, Sabrina,  
our homebound members, all the delegates for the Upper  
NY Conference who will be meeting May 30 - June 2

To add prayer concerns (with person's permission),  
contact Andy Tewksbury (785-5861) or the office (754-6060)

**Note of Appreciation** My family and I express our sincere thanks and heartfelt appreciation for the many messages of love during Yvonne's sickness and death. They were blessings to us. Jim Baker and family

## Central United Methodist Church

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*Organist*..... Sean Stafford  
*Custodian*..... Gregg Wood  
*Greeters*..... Gregg & Carla Wood / Art & Sandra Felton  
*Café Central*..... Gail & Jim Scott, Shelley Lobevero, George Harrington  
*Van* ..... Keith Wilcox

Previous Services are available on Youtube or Central's website

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*May 27, 2018*



## **Welcome!**

We welcome guests and visitors today, and we pray that the service will be a blessing to you. If you wish to learn more about Central and our ministries, there are Welcome folders available at each entrance/exit to the Sanctuary, and in our Welcome Center.

**Café Central** is our fellowship time with refreshments between the services—all are welcome downstairs in the Dining Room,

**Assisted Hearing Devices**, which operate throughout the building, and **large-print bulletins, hymnals & bibles** are available at the rear of the sanctuary. Please speak to an usher.

**Child Care** during worship is provided in the Nursery (Room 114) for infants and children up to age four. An usher will be happy to accompany you.

**Children's Activity Packets** are available at the rear of the sanctuary for children's use during the service.

**Central Church is sensitive to those with allergies.** Snacks in Café Central are nut-free. Central's communion elements are grape juice and gluten free bread.