

WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

* indicates to stand as you are able;
if sitting is better for you, please sit with gusto!

Preparing for Worship *Jeffrey Wahl, recorder*
Prince of Denmark's March by Jeremiah Clarke
Le Basque by Marin Marais

Greeting *Pastor Michelle*
Announcements *Bill Carmine*
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: We come to this place and this time to declare ourselves as God's people:

All: Holy One, remind us always that this is who we are.

One: We come with hearts and minds open.

All: Fill us with your life-transforming Spirit.

One: We come prepared to serve;

All: Teach us a way that knows no boundaries.

One: Let us pray together:

Holy One, you call us persistently—through scripture and prayer, and in the life and death and resurrection of your Christ. We offer you our hearts; take and shape them into living instruments of peace and love. Teach us to cross the false boundaries and ignore the false prophets that would take us from our path of discipleship. Grant us sharp eyes and keen hearing, unflinching hearts and steady hands as we walk the way that Christ first walked, into lives that most need you. We ask all this in his name, Amen.

Song #548 (red) In Christ There is no East or West

***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 (11am)

Special Music (11am) *Jeffrey Wahl & Connie Lamando*
Air (from Suite No. 3 in D Major) by J.S. Bach

Scripture James 2:1-17 *John Obusek*

We Offer Ourselves and Our Gifts to God's Purposes

Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone) *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 #2172 (black)**

We Are Called

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 Mark 7:24-37 *Donna Spearman*

The Sermon *Pastor Michelle*

***Song #2175 (black)**

Together We Serve

*Blessing

Preparing for the Week

Praise The Lord Who Reigns Above arr. Lloyd Larson

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.

Newcomer Orientation Pastor Michelle will hold a session for newcomers who are interested in joining Central next Sunday, Sept 16 at 9:45 in the pastor's office.

This Week

Sunday, September 9

8:00 Worship Broadcast (Ch. 1301)

8:30 WORSHIP – Usher Team 3

9:00 Café Central – dining room

9:30 Sunday School

11:00 WORSHIP

12:30-3 Block Party

Monday, September 10

5:30 Worship Broadcast (Ch. 1301)

7:30 Book Study at Jonathan's

Tuesday, September 11

10-12 Clothing Center

10-7 WIC

6:00 Worship Council

7:00 Finance Committee – library

7:00 Van Committee – pastor's office

Wednesday, September 12

8-4 Sanctuary is open for prayer

11-1 Clothing Center

4-6 VINES Farm Share

7:00 Companions in Christ Information - lounge

Thursday, September 13

8:30 Wesley Class Breakfast – Blue Dolphin

5:00 Shepherd Supper

5:30-7 Clothing Center

6:30 Cappella Ringers

7:00 Trustees - library

7:30 Chancel Choir

Friday, September 14 – Newsletter Deadline

7:30 A.A.

Saturday, September 15

8:00 Binghamton Baroque Orchestra

Sunday, September 16

8:00 Worship Broadcast (Ch. 1301)

8:30 WORSHIP – Usher Team 4

9:00 Café Central – dining room

9:30 Sunday School

9:45 Newcomer Orientation – Pastor's office

10:00 Communion Stewards - library

11:00 WORSHIP



Announcements

Monday Book Study with Pastor Michelle at Jonathans Restaurant begins the book, *Jesus, a Revolutionary Biography* by John Dominic Crossan on Sept 10.

New Companions Class is starting where you will explore the depths of scripture and learn to listen to God through it. A kick-off meeting will be **Wed, September 12** at 7pm in the lounge. The class will then decide when they will meet. More details are in the Welcome Center.

Wesley Class Breakfast is Thursday, Sept 13 at 8:30am at the Blue Dolphin in Apalachin. Call Carole James 757-2629 for reservations by Monday.

Organ Legacy Dinner You are invited to attend a dinner to learn about the work to be done on our organ and how you can contribute on Wed, Sept 19 at 6pm. Please RSVP to the church office as this is a catered dinner.

Eagle Scout Project Call Ben Melby if you can help plant a garden on Saturday, Sept 22 (rain date: 9/29).

Central Shirts will be available to pre-order thru mid-sept. Styles, colors and costs can be seen in the Welcome Center. For more info, call Pat in the office.

Sky Lake Retreat led by Rev Dr Barbara Green will be held Oct 12-14. Registration sheets are in the Welcome Center. Come for the entire weekend or just for a day. See Jack or Judy Davis for more information or call the office.

Save the date for the **UMW Bazaar & Luncheon** on Saturday, October 20 from 10-2. The UMW would appreciate any donation of handmade items (crochet, knit, sewn, painted, crafted, etc.) and jewelry for the Bazaar.

A meeting for **communion stewards** will be in the church library on Sunday, September 16 at 10 am.

Binghamton Baroque Orchestra will hold a concert on Sat, Sept 15 at 8pm at Central. Tickets cost \$15.

Central is Hiring! The details about the positions are available on the website, www.centralumcendicott.org

In Our Prayers

In the Hospital:

Armand Olevano – Bridgewater
Lynn Weston – Vestal Park
Jim Scott – Mt Sinai

Prayer Program: *Specific Families receiving prayer this week:*

Randy Blackwell, Kelly & Kevin Crane, Art & Sandra Felton, Dawn & Russ Hill, Cynthia Knight, Elgie Miner, John Rowley, Sally Tingley

Church Family and Friends:

our homebound members

Sympathy extended to:

Ron DeHaas on the death of his mother

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

Central United Methodist Church

A Reconciling Congregation

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Greeters..... Carl Northrup / Dick & Carole James
Van Bruce Bishop

Previous Services are available on Youtube or Central's website

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September 9, 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 worship 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 Lite are nut-free. Central's communion elements are grape juice and gluten free bread.