

## 8.30am – Early Church

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### Preparing for Worship with Music

Welcome

Announcements

Introduction to Worship

Opening Prayer

**UMH#211** *O Come, O Come Emmanuel v. 1, 2, 3, 7*

Exchanging the Peace of Christ

Lighting the First Candle of Advent

Sung Response: *Star-Child v.1.* (TFWS#2095)

Scripture *Isaiah 2:1-5*

Reflection on Scripture

**UMH#188** *Christ is the World's Light*

Introduction to Time of Prayer

Prayer of the People - Guided Meditation

The Lord's Prayer

Introduction to the Offering

Congregation Response *UMH#94 "Praise God..."*

Prayer of Dedication and Invitation to Bring Forth

Pledges

Holy Communion

Dedication of the Pledges

**UMH#218** *It Came Upon a Midnight Clear*

Blessing

Departing with Music

## 11.00am – Onsite and Online

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*Voluntary on "Hyfrydol" arr. Jason Payne*

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Special Music *Be Thou My Vision arr. by Robert Hunter*

**Children of God Time** "If You Plant a Seed" words and paintings by Kadir Nelson

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*Bring a Torch, Jeannette, Isabella arr. Christopher Uehlein*

*Worship Leaders: Pastor Teressa and Pastor Paul*

*Scripture Reader: David Brunson*

*Music: Roger Richards and Chancel Choir*

*Guest Accompanist: Lynn Garis*

*Many thanks to the Ushers and Tech Team for today*

## Connect and Serve this Week

*Opportunities to Grow in Faith and Serve God*

### Sunday, December 1

8:00 Worship Broadcast (Spectrum Channel 1301)

8:30 WORSHIP (In person only)

9:30 Adult Faith Formation (Lounge)

11:00 WORSHIP (Onsite and Online)

### Monday, December 2

5:30 Worship Broadcast (Spectrum Channel 1301)

5:45 Girl Scout Troop 30224 (Youth Lounge)

### Tuesday, December 3

8:00 Men's Breakfast (Broadway Diner)

noon Clothing Center

### Wednesday, December 4

10:00 Soul Care (ZOOM)

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1:00 UWF Leadership Meeting (Library)

7:30 AA

### Thursday, December 5

4:30 Shepherd's Supper (Take-Out)

6:30 Cappella Ringers Rehearsal (Bell Room)

7:30 Chancel Choir

### Friday, December 6

5:30 Girl Scout Troop 60195 (Dining Room)

7:30 AA

### Saturday, December 7

### Sunday, December 8

8:00 Worship Broadcast (Spectrum Channel 1301)

8:30 WORSHIP (In person only)

9:30 Adult Faith Formation (Lounge)

11:00 WORSHIP (Onsite and Online)

2:00 Musical Christmas Program (Sanctuary)

## Looking Ahead –

### Central UMC in Action / Upcoming Weeks

If you don't receive the weekly email, the office has ZOOM info.

**Altar Poinsettias:** We once again have the opportunity to dedicate altar poinsettias to the honor or memory of loved ones. Contact the Church Office or complete a bulletin insert if you would like to purchase a poinsettia. Checks should be made payable to Central UMC. Please place your order by 12/15.

Everyone is invited to attend a **Musical Christmas Program** hosted by the UWF at 2:00 pm in the sanctuary or online next Sunday, 12/8. Our vocalist is Rachel Helgeson. Refreshments will follow in the Lounge.

**Breakfast with Santa** (and pastor elves) in the Fellowship Hall on 12/14 at 10:am. Please RSVP to the Church Office 607-754-6060.

**Grief Support Group** will meet on Thursday, 12/19 at 1:30 pm in the Library.

**Central's Blue Christmas service** (12/22 at 7pm) offers a time of quiet worship and reflection – time to acknowledge these hurts, to seek God's healing presence, and to rediscover the hope that is Christmas. Jeff Heald will be preaching, and there will be special music featuring soloist Emily (Sorber) Travis.

**Christmas Eve Service** of worship at 7:30pm both in the sanctuary and online filled with music, the holy Christmas story, Holy Communion, and the singing of Silent Night with the lighting of the candles.

Central is having a **special offering of hats and mittens at the Christmas Eve service** to be given out through our area schools and the Clothing Center. During the service, we will have a moment to bring our offerings and lay them in the manger.

**Central's Clothing Center is collecting winter coats of all sizes.**

**Come and Sing! Come and Ring-**Join in and make some music! No experience necessary!

If you wish to donate to international relief, consider UMCOR. Because of connectional giving, 100% of monies donated in a crisis go to relief and rebuilding efforts. Give online at [umcmmission.org](http://umcmmission.org) or by check to Central with UMCOR in the memo

## In Our Prayers This Week

### In Hospitals or Recovering at home:

Karen Frega, Norma Livingston, Randy Foote, Kevin Cristelli,

### Prayer Program: Specific Central families in our prayers:

If you know someone on this list who is absent today, why not get in touch this week and let them know we miss them!

Tammy & Tom Bowman, Marcia & Tom Cromer, Carrie Fetterman, Judy & Mark Harvey, Lisa Kehley, Barb & James Melby, Sherri & Paul Reed, Dee Stiles, Maggie & Tyler Wolford

### Family and Friends with prayer needs this week:

Richard Frederick, Frank Stevan Childs, John Carmine, Moi Zaylaya, Eric Hausamann, Stephen John Schulz, Rhonda Hartley, Jovelle Horry-Turmon and baby daughter, Emma Gates, Sandy Watts, Diane (Shelley Lobevero's cousin), Norma Poyneer, Cyndi Tedeschi

Prayers for the family of Paul and Kim Wells. Their grandson, Jesse, was killed in an ATV accident on November 25. Paul is Pastor Teresa's husband's uncle.

To add prayer concerns (with that person's permission), contact Andy Tewksbury (607.785.5861) or the office (607.754.6060)

## Central United Methodist Church

### A Reconciling Congregation since 2016

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Previous Services are available on Central's YouTube channel @CentralChurchEndicottNY

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 United Methodist Church

185+ years of Serving God, Serving others, and Loving All



## Welcome to Worship!

### December 1, 2024 - First Sunday of Advent

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

We welcome all persons to this time of worship, and we pray that this time will be a blessing to you. If you wish to learn more about Central and its ministries, Welcome folders are available at each entrance/exit to the Sanctuary, and in our Welcome Center.

**Assistive Hearing Devices** which operate through the building, and **large-print bulletins, hymnals and bibles** are available by the Tech Booth in the sanctuary.

Our celebration of **Holy Communion** on the first Sunday of each month is observed with gluten-free bread and grape juice.