

8.30am – Early Church

Please (legibly) complete the friendship pad forms with all requested information, and leave the sheet on top of the pad in the pew. Please mask to your comfort level.

Preparing for Worship with Music

Noel X by Louis-Claude D'Aquin

Welcome

Announcements

Introduction to Worship

Opening Prayer

UMH#203 *Hail to the Lord's Anointed*

Exchanging the Peace of Christ

Lighting the Fourth Candle of Advent

Sung Response: *Star-Child v.4* (TFWS#2095)

Children of God Time “The Mitten Tree” written by Candace Christiansen and illustrated by Elaine Greenstein

Scripture Luke 1:39-55

Reflection on Scripture

UMH#216 *Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming*

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

UMH#221 *In the Bleak Midwinter*

Blessing

Departing with Music

11.00am – Onsite and Online

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Special Music *Breath of Heaven Arr Sandra Eithum*

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Special Music *Carol From an Irish Cabin by Dale Wood*

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Special Music *O Come, O Come Emmanuel & Silent Night*

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Gloria arr. Jason Payne

*Worship Leaders: Pastors Teresa and Paul
Scripture Reader: Pam Russell
Music: Roger Richards, Cappella Ringers, Chancel Choir
Guest Musicians: Lynn Garis and Jere Hotchkiss
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 22

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)

7:00 Blue Christmas Service (Onsite and Online)

Monday, December 23

5:30 Worship Broadcast (Spectrum Channel 1301)

5:45 Girl Scout Troop 30224 (Youth Lounge)

7:00 Ahwaga Canoe (Dining Room)

Tuesday, December 24

7:30 Christmas Eve Service (Onsite and Online)

Wednesday, December 25 - Christmas Day

Office Closed

Thursday, December 26

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

Friday, December 27

Office Closed

5:30 Girl Scout Troop 60195 (Dining Room)

7:30 AA

Saturday, December 28

Sunday, December 29

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)

If you have a pastoral emergency during the Christmas break please call Pastor Teresa at 607.434.9888.

Looking Ahead –

Central UMC in Action / Upcoming Weeks

If you don't receive the weekly "Sentry", please contact the office.

Central's Blue Christmas service at 7:00pm on 12/22 (both in the sanctuary and online) 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, music starts at 7:15pm with worship beginning at 7:30pm on 12/24 (both in the sanctuary and online) will be filled with music, the holy Christmas story, Holy Communion, and the singing of Silent Night with the lighting of the candles. A **special offering of hats and mittens** will be given at the Christmas Eve service. We will have a moment during the service to bring our offerings and lay them in the manger.

Offering Envelopes for 2025 are located on the stage in the back of the sanctuary. If you would like offering envelopes, please contact the church office or Pat Breneman.

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 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:

Thank you to Shelley Lobevero, Suzette Marino, Pam Russell, Renee Sersen and Carla Wood for contacting people each week. The program will resume in 2025.

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, Sandy Watts, Norma Poyneer, Diane (Shelley Lobevero's cousin), Cyndi Tedeschi, Tom Cousins

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

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

Central

 United Methodist Church

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



Welcome to Worship!

December 22, 2024

Fourth 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.