

## 8.30am – Early Church

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### Altar Flowers

Given to the Glory of God and in celebration of the 64th wedding anniversary of Ron and Elaine Platt

### Preparing for Worship with Music

#### Welcome

#### Opening Prayer

*Gracious and loving God, we gather today with hearts open to your presence, aware of the ways you call us to be your people in the world. May we be open to questioning and renewing our own faith and may we be reminded of the table you set for all, where grace abounds and love unites across borders and differences. Help us to embody a 'yes' to your call, and may our worship today be a testament to our commitment to follow in the footsteps of Christ. In your holy name, we pray. Amen.*

#### #155 v 1-4 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

*The tune is from 1838, the year Central was chartered*

#### Exchanging the Peace of Christ

**Scripture** Matthew 21:23-32 (*The Message*)

#### Reflection on Scripture

#### Congregational Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

#### Celebrating the Sacrament of Holy Communion

#### Offering our Gifts to God's Purposes

#### Announcements

#### #620 One Bread, One Body

#### Departing with Music

## 11.00am – Onsite and Online

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*Jesus, Bread of Life, I Pray Thee arr. Douglas Wagner*

*Melody by Villemo Daneling*

*This Is My Song arr. Douglas Wagner*

#### Welcome

#### Opening Prayer (see 8.30)

#### #155 v 1-4 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

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#### Exchanging the Peace of Christ

**Special Music** *Seek Ye First* by Lafferty/Wagner

**Scripture** Matthew 21:23-32 (*The Message*)

#### Reflection on Scripture

#### Introduction to Prayer

**Special Music** *Shall We Gather at the River*

*by Charles Callahan*

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#### #620 One Bread, One Body

#### Blessing and Departing with Music

*Christ Is Made the Strong Foundation* arr. Jason Krugg

*Worship Leaders: Pastor Michelle and Pastor Paul*

*Music: Sean Stafford, Chancel Choir, and Lisa Tagliaferri*

*Scripture Reader: Pam Russell*

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

## Connect and Serve this Week

### Sunday October 1 -World Communion Sunday

8:00 Worship Broadcast (Spectrum Channel 1301)

8:30 WORSHIP (In person only)

9:30 Adult Faith Formation (Lounge and ZOOM)

11:00 WORSHIP (Onsite and Online)

### Monday October 2 Office closes at 12:30

5:30 Worship Broadcast (Spectrum Channel 1301)

5:45 Girl Scouts Troop 30224 (Youth Center)

7:30 Book Discussion (ZOOM)

### Tuesday October 3

12:00 Clothing Center (by appointment only)

5:00 Girl Scouts Troop 30019 (Lounge)

### Wednesday October 4

10:00 Soul Care ZOOM

12:00 Clothing Center (by appointment only)

1:00 UWF (UMW) Leadership

7:30 AA

### Thursday October 5

4:30 Shepherd's Supper

6:30 Cappella Ringers Rehearsal (Bell Room)

7:30 Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

### Friday October 6

10:00 Church Women United Fall Celebration

5:30 Girl Scouts Troop 60195 (Dining Room)

7:30 AA

### Saturday October 7

### Sunday October 8

8:00 Worship Broadcast (Spectrum Channel 1301)

8:30 WORSHIP (In person only)

9:30 Adult Faith Formation (Lounge and ZOOM)

11:00 WORSHIP (Onsite and Online)

**FOR ZOOM INFORMATION PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE (754-6060)**

## Looking Ahead –

### Central UMC in Action / Upcoming Weeks

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

#### Monday Book Discussion - 7.30pm each week

**Salvation Not Purchased** by Stephen Finlan. Chapter 5

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88466303555>

Meeting ID: 884 6630 3555

Passcode: 051760

This is a dive into beliefs about salvation. From the author: *Unexamined beliefs can do damage to people's faith, leaving people confused about what God is like, and making it hard to trust God.* Join in and see what this book is all about!

**COME AND SING / COME AND RING!** Join in and make some music! **Bell Rehearsal** is every Thursday at 6:30pm, and **Choir Rehearsal** is at 7:30. No experience necessary. Contact the office for more information!

**“Socktober” Mini-mission Project:** We are collecting new socks (all sizes) for the UE schools and our clothing center. Please place donations on the table in the Nanticoke entrance.

#### Praise Band on October 8

The praise band will sing at the 11:00am service on October 8, with a single rehearsal to be held Thursday October 5 at 7:30pm in the sanctuary. All voices are welcome! RSVP to Jeff Heald ([healdjs@gmail.com](mailto:healdjs@gmail.com))

#### Save the Date - October 14th - UWF Fall Luncheon

Menu and pre-order forms are in the Welcome Center, the October newsletter and on the church website.

<http://centralumcendicott.org>

**Today–World Communion Sunday** is one of the six special giving Sundays in the UMC. Your additional offering today supports diverse non-majority students both locally and globally through scholarships, grants, mentoring, and leadership training.

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 [umcmisson.org](http://umcmisson.org) or by check to Central with UMCOR in the memo

## In Our Prayers This Week

### In Hospitals or Recovering at home:

**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!

Randy Blackwell, Sandra Cooper, Sue & Ed Driver, Tom & Karen Greene, Scott James, Beth MacMillan, Debra O'Neil, Kathy Schneider, Beverly & Vern Victoria

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

Cyndi Tedeschi, Pam Russell, Richard Frederick, Frank Stevan Childs, Janet Bouton, David Weyant, Janet Tripp, Tony Luparello, John Carmine, Julie Taylor, Karen Frega, Linda Watkins, Doris Andrews

### Our Condolences and Prayers:

The family of Nancy Jones, on the death of her brother Tommy.

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

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Previous Services are available on Central's YouTube channel

# Central

United Methodist Church

**Celebrating 185 years of Serving God,  
Serving others, and Loving All**



## Welcome to Worship!

**October 1, 2023**

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 throughout 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.