

8.30am – Early Church

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Altar Flowers

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Preparing for Worship with Music

Welcome

Opening Prayer

Gracious and loving God, we know that you command us to love you, our God, with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength, and to love our neighbors as ourselves. In these words, we find the cornerstone of our faith, a call to compassion and understanding that transcends boundaries. Help us, O Lord, to embody this love today and every day, to embrace the richness of our diversity, and to recognize the divine spark within each soul. Grant us the strength to extend our hands to the marginalized, the courage to speak out against injustice, and the humility to learn from one another. Bless this worship with your presence, that our hearts may be open, our minds receptive, and our spirits inspired to walk always in your way of love and grace. In your holy name, we pray. Amen.

#117 O God, Our Help in Ages Past
sung at an evening service on 10/6/1929

Exchanging the Peace of Christ

Scripture Matthew 22.34-40*(The Message)*
Reflection on Scripture

Congregational Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Offering our Gifts to God's Purposes

Announcements

#408 The Gift of Love

Departing with Music

11.00am – Onsite and Online

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None But the Lonely Heart arr. Lani Smith
Come, Peace of God by Franklin Ritter
Great Is Thy Faithfulness arr. Jack Schrader

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Exchanging the Peace of Christ

Special Music *I Know God Cares for Me/ Bruce & Harris*

Scripture Matthew 22.34-40*(The Message)*

Reflection on Scripture

Introduction to Prayer

Special Music *In Heaven's Eyes by Phil McHugh*

Congregational Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

A Stewardship Moment *Ronald Platt*
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Blessing and Departing with Music

Let the Word Go Forth! by Lani Smith

Worship Leaders: Pastor Michelle Bogue-Trost, Paul Reed
Music: Sean Stafford, Roger Richards, Chancel Choir
and Lea Harding

Scripture Reader: Roger Richards
Many thanks to the Ushers and Tech Team for today

Connect and Serve this Week

Monday October 30

5:30 Worship Broadcast (Spectrum Channel 1301)
5:45 Girl Scouts Troop 30224 (Youth Lounge)
7:30 Book Discussion (ZOOM)

Tuesday October 31

12:00 Clothing Center (by appointment only)
5:00 Girl Scout Troop 30019 (Lounge)

Wednesday November 1 - All Saints' Day

10:00 Soul Care (ZOOM)
12:00 Clothing Center (by appointment only)
1:00 UWF (UMW) Leadership (ZOOM)
7:30 AA

Thursday November 2

4:30 Shepherd's Supper
6:30 Cappella Ringers Rehearsal (Bell Room)
7:30 Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

Friday November 3

5:30 Girl Scouts Troop 60195 (Dining Room)
7:30 AA

Saturday November 4

9:00 AGO viewing of Bach Documentary (Dining Room)

Sunday November 5

Daylight Saving Time ends
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.

“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.

Our November project is **“Harvest Home”**. We will be collecting non-perishable, shelf- stable foods that will be donated to Shepherd's Supper and CHOW. Grocery bags will be available Sunday, November 5 and are due back on Sunday, November 19 when Bishop Burgos preaches and we celebrate our 185th anniversary!

Bike Ministry Room is accepting good used bikes. Contact Pastor Paul if you'd like to help with this ministry.

Central's next **Ministry Night** is 11/14/2023 beginning at 5.30pm in the Welcome Center and Lounge.

Monday Book Discussion - 7.30pm each week

Cranky, Beautiful Faith by Nadia Bolz-Weber. Chapters 2-4
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88466303555>

Meeting ID: 884 6630 3555

Passcode: 051760

Bolz-Weber blends sardonic irreverence and brilliant theology to offer a portrait of faith that is edgy, outrageous and, above all, real. This is the same book as “Pastrix” and be forewarned: it contains adult language.

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!

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:

Pat Chandler, David Weyant, Rich Garris

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!

Andrea Bonnell, Rachel Cosimano, Kathy Evaneck, Jane Hajny, Mike & Tracy Jobmann, Gerald Ovens, Charles Seeger, Trisha & Scott Watts

Family and Friends with prayer needs this week:

Cyndi Tedeschi, Pam Russell, Richard Frederick, Frank Stevan Childs, Tony Luparello, John Carmine, Julie Taylor, Karen Frega, Doris Andrews, Tyler Wolford, Shari Garris

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

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



Welcome to Worship!

October 29, 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.