

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.

Altar Flowers

Given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Kelli Ann Irving and Sandy Irving by John Irving and Sheri Mayer and family

Preparing for Worship with Music

Welcome

Opening Prayer

Loving and gracious God, we gather in your presence today grateful for your love, yet aware of our tendency to question its depths. Remind us again of your boundless and "unfair" love for all. Help us to let go of our human judgments and biases, and celebrate the abundance of your grace for all. May it inspire us to extend the love you have given us to one another. We ask it in the name of Jesus, who exemplified your extravagant love for all. Amen.

#340 Come, ye Sinners, Poor and Needy

Exchanging the Peace of Christ

Scripture *Matthew 20.1-16 (The Message)*
Reflection on Scripture

Congregational Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Offering our Gifts to God's Purposes

Announcements

#3123 Here is Peace

Departing with Music

11.00am – Onsite and Online

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Introspection by Hugh Livingston
Have Thine Own Way Lord arr. Edwin Johnson
I want Jesus to Walk With Me arr Mark Weston

Welcome

Opening Prayer (see 8.30)

#340 Come, ye Sinners, Poor and Needy Exchanging the Peace of Christ

Special Music *I Sing the Mighty Power of God, Lipscomb*

Scripture *Matthew 20.1-16 (The Message)*

Reflection on Scripture

Introduction to Prayer

Special Music

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name arr: Sharon E Roger
Sung by Central's congregation on October 9, 1927
during the new church building Dedication Service

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Blessing and Departing with Music

Postlude Fantasia by Robert W. Thygerson

Worship Leaders: Pastor Michelle and Pastor Maggie
Music: Sean Stafford, Chancel Choir, and Cappella Ringers
Scripture Reader: Diana Gildea
Many thanks to the Ushers and Tech Team for today

Connect and Serve this Week

Sunday September 24

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 September 25

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

Tuesday September 26

12:00 Clothing Center (by appointment only)
5:00 Girl Scouts Troop 30019 (Lounge)
6:30 Church Council (Lounge)

Wednesday September 27

10:00 Soul Care ZOOM
12:00 Clothing Center (by appointment only)
6:00 Lions Club (Library)
7:30 AA

Thursday September 28

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

Friday September 29

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

Saturday September 30

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)

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 4

<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!

September Mini-mission Project: "Undie Sundays." We are collecting underwear (boys and girls) for both our Clothing Center and the UE Elementary Schools. Please place donations on the table in the Nanticoke entrance.

Save the Date - October 14th - UWF Fall Luncheon

Please Note: the menu and pre-order form are in the welcome center. The form in the newsletter was incorrect; we apologize for any inconvenience.

Coming up—World Communion Sunday (October 1) is one of the six special giving Sundays in the UMC. Your additional offering on that day supports diverse non-majority students both locally and globally scholarships, grants, mentoring, and leadership training

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)

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:

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!

Mark & Carol Blackwell, Norma Cooper, Marsha Doupe, Dennis & Loretta Grace, Dick & Carole James, Cleone Lyons, Christine Olson, Alan Schneider, Mary Velie

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)

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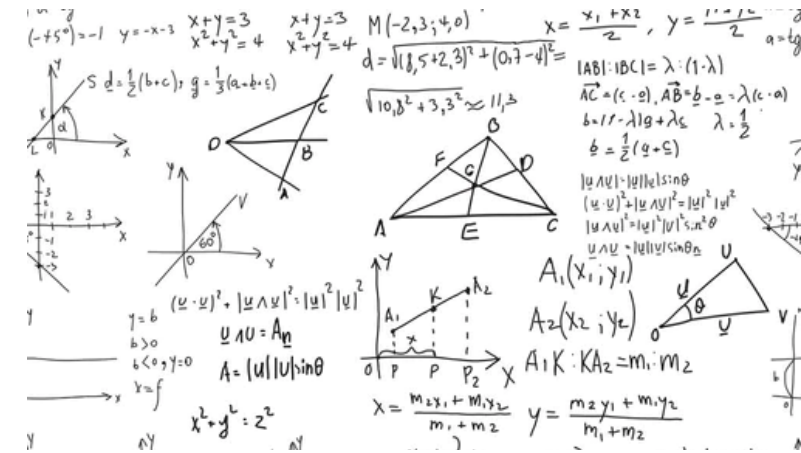
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Lay Leader Jeff Heald

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!

September 24, 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.