# 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**

#### Welcome

**Opening Prayer** 

Holy One, on this day of revelation and manifestation, we acknowledge the journey of all those who follow your light and witness your presence in Jesus. May their example inspire us to seek you earnestly and to be open to the epiphanies you have prepared for each of us. Grant us the discernment to recognize your presence in unexpected places and the courage to follow wherever your light may lead. May the love that radiates from this community be a reflection of your boundless love, shining brightly in a world that often finds itself in shadow. Empower us to be bearers of your light in a world that longs for hope and redemption. We ask it in the name of your son, our savior. Amen

UMH # 254 (red) We Three Kings

**Exchanging the Peace of Christ** 

Scripture *Matthew 2.1-12*Reflection on Scripture

**Congregational Prayer and the Lord's Prayer** 

**Celebrating the Sacrament of Holy Communion** 

Offering our Gifts to God's Purposes

**Announcements** 

TFWS # 2094 (black) Carol of the Epiphany

**Departing with Music** 

#### 11.00am - Onsite and Online

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# **Preparing for Worship with Music**

Do You Hear What I Hear? by Agnew

We Three Kings by Hopkins Jr Angels From The Realms of Glory arr. Hayes

Welcome
Opening Prayer (see 8.30)

UMH # 254 (red) We Three Kings Exchanging the Peace of Christ

### **Special Music**

For This is Christmas (Wise Men Still Seek Him)

Scripture *Matthew 2.1-12*Reflection on Scripture

Introduction to Prayer
Special Music Bethlehem Boy by Gray

**Congregational Prayer and the Lord's Prayer** 

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What Child Is This arr. Hayes

Worship Leaders: Pastors Michelle and Paul Music: Sean Stafford, Chancel Choir, Denise Johnson Many thanks to the Ushers and Tech Team for today

### **Connect and Serve this Week**

### Sunday, January 7

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)

noon Christmas Undecorating

#### Monday, January 8

5:30 Worship Broadcast (Spectrum Channel 1301)

5:45 Girl Scout Troop 30224 (Youth Lounge)

7:30 Book Discussion (ZOOM)

#### Tuesday, January 9

10:00 WIC Clinic (Community Room)

10:00 Parish Visitors noon Clothing Center

noon Clothing Center 5:30 Ministry Night (Church meetings)

5:45 Girl Scout Troop 60195 (Library)

#### Wednesday, January 10

10:00 Soul Care (ZOOM)

noon Clothing Center

1:00 UWF Leadership Meeting (Library)

6:00 Lion's Club (Library)

7:30 AA

#### Thursday, January 11

4:30 Shepherd's Supper

6:30 Cappella Ringers Rehearsal (Bell Room)

6:30 Central Crafters (Lounge)

7:00 Wesley Class (ZOOM)

7:30 Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

# Friday, January 12

5:30 Girl Scout Troop 60195 (Dining Room)

7:30 AA

# Saturday, January 13

12:00 Central Crafters (Lounge)

# Sunday, January 14

3:00 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)

noon Charge Conference

3:00 MLK Event

PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE FOR ZOOM INFORMATION (607) 754-6060

# Looking Ahead – Central UMC in Action / Upcoming Weeks

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

Christmas Undecorating We will be undecorating the Sanctuary and building TODAY following the 11am worship service. Please plan to stay for a little while and lend a hand - many hands make quick work!

Charge Conference everyone is encouraged to attend Central's Annual Charge conference following the 11am worship on Sunday, January 14th. This event is open to all members of Central, and is an important component of our connectional life of the Upper New York Conference. Please plan to attend!

Monday Book Discussion - 7.30pm each week

A is for Alabaster by Anna Carter Florence beginning - p 39

<a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88466303555">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88466303555</a>

Meeting ID: 884 6630 3555

Passcode: 051760

**January's mini-mission project** We are collecting boxed valentine sets for elementary school-aged children.

**Calling all Central Crafters—** Gather together Thursday evenings (6:30 until 8PM) or Saturday afternoons (noon until 1:30PM) and get some crafting done! You are welcome to bring snacks. Invite your friends to join us!

Chili Cook Off- Saturday, January 27, 5:30PM; Join in for tastings and determine the best Chili Chef. After the contest we will have a group meal of chili, cornbread, and snacks. We'll also be packing to go bags for the Union-Endicott CSD Family Support Center. Invite your friends to join in!

Come and Sing! Come and Ring-Join in and make some music! Bell Rehearsal every Thursday at 6:30pm, and Choir Rehearsal at 7:30pm. No experience necessary!

**2024 Offering Envelopes** - please pick up your offering envelopes in the sanctuary by the stage. If you would like envelopes, please contact the church office.

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 umcmission.org or by check to Central with UMCOR in the memo

# In Our Prayers This Week

#### In Hospitals or Recovering at home:

Karen Frega, LaVon Hausamann, Jean Rodzinka, Nancy Jones

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!

Mary Aebli, MaryAnn & Ron Briggs, Terry Crump,
Thomas Fiori, Eric Hausamann, Linda & Michael Kenien,
Jacklynn & Edward Miller, Barbara Reynolds,
Linda Struble, Heather & Derek Worden

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

Cyndi Tedeschi, Pam Russell, Richard Frederick, Frank Stevan Childs, Tony Luparello, John Carmine, Moi Zaylaya, Pearl Webb

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



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



# Welcome to Worship!

January 7, 2024 Epiphany Sunday

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.