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

Away in A Manger arr. Jason Tonioli The Savior Is Born arr. James Koerts Variations on a French Noel by David Claude Daquin arr. David Sarandon

Welcome

Lighting the Advent Candles Thoennes Family

Unison Prayer

Holy Living Light of God, you are our Loving Presence. Let this love grow in our lives each day, so we can be a Present of Love to others. Unwrap and open our hearts. May it be so. Amen. Sung Response

What can I give Him, poor as I am? If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb; If I were a Wise [One], I would do my part; Yet what can I give Him: I will give my heart.

UMH (red) #198 My Soul Gives Glory to My God

Exchanging the Peace of Christ

Scripture Luke 1.26-38 Reflection on Scripture

Congregational Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Offering our Gifts to God's Purposes

Announcements

UMH (red) #250 Once in Royal David's City

Departing with Music Tidings of Comfort and Joy arr. Lloyd Larson

11.00am – Onsite and Online

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> . **Preparing for Worship with Music** Carol Medley Christmas Gloria arr. McDonald/Larson

Welcome Lighting the Advent Candles (see 8.30) Diana Gildea & Malcolm Gildea Moore

UMH (red) #198 My Soul Gives Glory to My God

Exchanging the Peace of Christ

Special Music Advent Jubilate, Parker & Schwarz

Scripture Luke 1.26-38 Reflection on Scripture

Introduction to Prayer Special Music Bells Ringing, Angels Singing arr D. Edwards Congregational Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Offering our Gifts to God's Purposes

Announcements

UMH (red) #250 Once in Royal David's City

Blessing and Departing with Music Gloria arr Jason Payne

Worship Leaders: Michelle Bogue-Trost, Diana Gildea Music: Sean Stafford and Roger Richards, Chancel Choir, Cappella Ringers, Chad Louden, Trumpet; Katilyn Cucci, Violin Scripture Reader: Paul Reed Many thanks to the Ushers and Tech Team for today

Connect and Serve this Week

Sunday. December 24 Fourth Sunday in Advent & Christmas Eve

- 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)
- 7:00 Candlelight Celebration (Onsite and Online)
- 11:30 Candlelight and Communion (Onsite only)

Monday, December 25 Office Closed

5:30 Worship Broadcast (Spectrum Channel 1301) Book Discussion resumes January 8

Tuesday, December 26 Office hours 9-12

Wednesday, December 27 Office hours 9-12 10:00 Soul Care (ZOOM) 7:30 AA

Thursday. December 28Office hours 9-124:30Shepherd's Supper

Friday, December 29 Office hours 9-12

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

Saturday, December 30

Sunday, December 31

- 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)

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.

December Events:

Dec 24, 8.30 and 11am: Celebrating the Fourth Sunday of Advent 7pm: Christmas Eve Celebration and Candle Service-also livestreamed on Central's YouTube Channel 11.30pm: Candlelight and Communion Service Dec 31, 8.30 and 11am: Worship 9.30am: Adult Faith Formation

11.30pm: Worship onsite and online on Central's YouTube Channel

Monday Book Discussion-7.30pm each week Resumes Jan 8

A is for Alabaster by Anna Carter Florence, Intro-p 39 Meeting ID: 884 6630 3555 Passcode: 051760

January's mini-mission project is collecting packages of Valentine cards for the U-E Elementary schools

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! *Resumes Jan 4*

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, Carol Chandler, LaVon Hausamann

Prayer Program:

Pray for the peace of the world. Pray to be the light of Christ for all to see.

Family and Friends with prayer needs this week:

Cyndi Tedeschi, Pam Russell, Richard Frederick, Frank Stevan Childs, Tony Luparello, John Carmine, Doris Andrews, Tyler & Maggie Wolford, Martina DiRose, Bill Finch, Moi Zaylaya, Pearl Webb, Those devastated by heavy rains this week

Sympathies Extended To:

The family and friends of James Howe, who passed away this week.

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



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Welcome to Worship!

Fourth Sunday of Advent - Love December 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 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.