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THE SERIES



December 6
10:00 am -12:00 pm

MAKE A CHRISTMAS WREATH

CELEBRATE THE SEASON WITH CREATIVITY
AND HOLIDAY CHEER!

JOIN US FOR A FUN, HANDS-ON WORKSHOP WHERE
YOU'LL DESIGN AND DECORATE YOUR VERY OWN
CHRISTMAS WREATH. YOUR INSTRUCTOR WILL GUIDE YOU
STEP-BY-STEP THROUGH THE WREATH-MAKING PROCESS.

NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY.
JUST BRING YOUR HOLIDAY SPIRIT!



NOTES:

thank
you

SAVE THE DATE and join the
Community Formation Committee
for an Appreciation Lunch and
Update for Greeters and Ushers.
We couldn't do the ministry of
hospitality without you.

December 7th, 2025 11:30am – 1:00 pm



CENTRAL WOMEN'S

TOUR OF HOMES & BRUNCH

DECEMBER 11TH
9:00A, ATRIUM

TICKETS ON SALE - SUNDAYS IN THE ATRIUM BEGINNING NOVEMBER 23



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November 30, 2025

WORSHIP

8:15AM - COMMUNION

Prelude: From Heaven Above to Earth I Come (Karvonen)
Welcome
Advent Wreath Lighting
*Hymn of Praise: Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus (UMH 196)
*The Collect
*Apostles' Creed (UMH 881)
*Gloria Patri (UMH 70)
Offertory: O Sanctissimo (Biery)
*Doxology (UMH 95)
Message - Rev. Dawn Spragg
Holy Communion
*Hymn of Thanksgiving: Blessed Be the God of Israel (UMH 209)
*Benediction
Postlude: In Dulci Jubilo (Sanborn)

10:20AM - TRADITIONAL

Prelude: In the Bleak Midwinter (arranged by Douglas E. Wagner)
Welcome
Advent Wreath Lighting
*Processional Hymn: Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus (UMH 196)
*The Collect
*Apostles' Creed (UMH 881)
*Gloria Patri (UMH 70)
Anthem: O Holy Night
Offertory: Birthday of a King (arr. Kartsonakis)
*Doxology (UMH 95)
Children's Moment
Scripture Reading: John 6:5-15 NLT
Message - Rev. Dawn Spragg
Holy, Holy, Holy (UMH-17)
The Lord's Prayer
Holy Communion
*Hymn of Thanksgiving: Blessed Be the God of Israel (UMH 209)
*Benediction
Postlude: Pat-a-Pan (arranged by Carol Tornquist)

10:30AM - CONTEMPORARY

Go Tell It On The Mountain
Advent Wreath Lighting
Here Comes Heaven
In The Bleak Mid Winter / Worthy Of It All
Children's Moment
Offering Moment
Come Thou Fount
Message - Rev. Rob Holifield
Holy Communion
Behold
Benediction

SCRIPTURE

JOHN 6:5-15

Jesus soon saw a huge crowd of people coming to look for him. Turning to Philip, he asked, "Where can we buy bread to feed all these people?" 6 He was testing Philip, for he already knew what he was going to do.
7 Philip replied, "Even if we worked for months, we wouldn't have enough money to feed them!"
8 Then Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, spoke up. 9 "There's a young boy here with five barley loaves and two fish. But what good is that with this huge crowd?"
10 "Tell everyone to sit down," Jesus said. So they all sat down on the grassy slopes. (The men alone numbered about 5,000.) 11 Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks to God, and distributed them to the people. Afterward he did the same with the fish. And they all ate as much as they wanted. 12 After everyone was full, Jesus told his disciples, "Now gather the leftovers, so that nothing is wasted." 13 So they picked up the pieces and filled twelve baskets with scraps left by the people who had eaten from the five barley loaves.
14 When the people saw him do this miraculous sign, they exclaimed, "Surely, he is the Prophet we have been expecting!" 15 When Jesus saw that they were ready to force him to be their king, he slipped away into the hills by himself.

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Carol Bristow, David Bristow's sister, had back surgery last week.
- From Linda McAnally, Vinny Angelia has pancreatic cancer.
- Teresa, friend of Barbara Carroll, had open heart surgery and isn't breathing well. There is a concern she might develop pneumonia.
- Jeane Kennedy is in rehab at Jamestown Rehab.
- David Adams, a friend of Randy & Tammy Whitis, has diabetes and is on dialysis. Please pray for his badly infected foot.
- Chuck Hartman as he deals with multiple health issues.
- Barrett, Lisa Cutten's 3-year-old grandson, is home now and will continue chemo treatment at a hospital in Springfield, MO.
- Lavette, Alice Grams daughter Gwen's friend is beginning dialysis.
- Amy Boyd, friend of Tim & Dianne White, has breast cancer. She and her family need prayer.
- Liz Lusk as she begins kidney dialysis.
- Jane Whitlow, Sally Nichols friend, is in rehab at Jamestown Rehab.
- Jeff Watkins, Sally Nichols friend, is very sick from an unknown cause. The illness has impacted his health and financial situation.
- Bernidine Jones, Sally Nichols friend, experienced a bad fall and needs prayer.
- Adria Trombley's dad, Steve, is receiving chemo for cancer treatment. Please keep Steve, Adria and the family in prayer.
- Lisa Olsen's mother, Barbara Patsy, needs prayer as she transitions to a new living situation.

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COME SIT WITH ME SUNDAY

Sun, November 30th

ACOLYTE TRAINING

Sun, November 30th, 9:30am – 10:15am

Sun, December 7th, 9:30am – 10:15am

Acolyte Training for children in second grade and older will happen November 30th and December 7th starting at 9:30 during the Sunday School hour. It is requested that 1 parent attend the training with their child. Only one session is required to attend. For more information please contact Melissa Szczepanek

UPCOMING GUATEMALA TRIP INFO MEETING

Sun, November 30th, 12pm – 1pm

Central's partnership with GRACES helps us connect people to Christ as we learn from families in Guatemala and support the work of breaking the cycle of generational poverty through holistic education. Students, and PEOPLE of ALL AGES, join us to hear more about our upcoming May 2026 Vision Trip to Guatemala with GRACES! We will meet up on the 2nd floor in the LARGE Youth Room (next to the east elevator).

WELCOME BACK BREAKFAST

Sun, December 14th, 9:30am – 10:30am

College students, join us for a WELCOME HOME BREAKFAST, hosted by the Abide Sunday School class.

BOOK CLUB - CONNECTION CLUB

Tue, December 16th, 6:30pm – 8pm

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST

Sat, December 20th, 7am – 9am

A chance for the men of Central to get together and have breakfast, fellowship and a devotion together. Also, we will be planning other outside/offsite activities and events.

CHRISTMAS CAROLING

Sat, December 20th, 2pm – 4:30pm

Join us to bring the Christmas Spirit to our homebound members through song.

COME SIT WITH ME SUNDAY

Sun, December 21st

This is a new program we we have choosen specific dates to invite people to our church. Please pick up a card from Information Central in the Atrium or share this out via Facebook

GRACE COMMUNITY DINNER

Sun, December 21st, 3pm – 5:30pm

A dinner is prepared and served at Grace UMC for approximately 200+ people by drive-thru. Teams will prepare food, pack for distribution, and deliver to vehicles. If interested in joining a group, please call the church office.

ADVENT CELEBRATION

Sun, November 30th, 5pm – 7:30pm

On the first Sunday of Advent we welcome in a season of anticipation of the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ. Beginning at 5pm in the Chapel we will have an Advent Prayer Service led by our Young Disciples. Join us as we pray through the ACTS method together. Following the service, at 5:30 in the Atrium our Gravity Youth will host a chili supper, with donations for your meal benefitting their summer mission trips. At 6pm we will have our annual Advent Workshop, a time for games and crafts for kids of all ages. Our famous Santa's Shop will also be open starting at 6pm for kids to shop for their families with a youth member (that way your gift can be a surprise). These treasures will bring a smile to your face for years to come.

CARMICHAEL BIRTHDAY SURPRISE

Fri, December 5th, 2pm – 4pm

Please join the Carmichael Family in Celebrating the 90th Birthday of Jack Carmichael Friday, December 5th from 2 - 4 PM in the Atrium. Cards Welcome! Please enter through Door D on the West side.

ROGERS CHRISTMAS PARADE

Fri, December 5th, 6pm – 8pm

Central will have a float entry sponsored by the Evangelism Committee. Join us as we share passionately during this Rogers family tradition. The parade begins at 6:30. If you want to be part of the float, please see JR Shaw for details and times.

HOW TO SERIES - MAKING A CHRISTMAS WREATH

Sat, December 6th, 10am – 12pm

Celebrate the season with creativity and holiday cheer! Join us for a fun, hands-on workshop where you'll design and decorate your very own Christmas wreath to take home. Whether you prefer classic greenery and ribbons or a sparkly gold/silver, you'll have plenty of materials and inspiration to make your wreath uniquely yours. Your instructor will guide you step-by-step through the wreath-making process—from shaping the base to arranging seasonal accents like pinecones, berries, ornaments, and bows. No experience necessary—just bring your holiday spirit!

GREETER AND USHER APPRECIATION AND TRAINING

Sun, December 7th, 11:30am – 1pm

An appreciation lunch and training for our experienced and new greeters.

GRAVITY YOUTH CHRISTMAS PARTY

Sun, December 7th, 6pm – 8:30pm

Students in 6th-12th grade, join us for Gravity Christmas Party! Bring a WHITE ELEPHANT GIFT, wear your CHRISTMAS CHEER, and join us for a night of FESTIVITIES! Gravity Grownups, don't forget to join in for your own CHRISTMAS CHEER!

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

Mon, December 8th, 6pm – 8pm

CENTRAL WOMEN TOUR OF HOMES AND BRUNCH

Thu, December 11th, 9am – 3pm

Annual Christmas Tour of Homes and Brunch. Tickets go on sale in November and childcare is available.

LESSONS & CAROLS

Thurs, December 11th, 6:30pm – 7:30pm

Fri, December 12th, 6:30pm – 7:30pm

The Traditional Music Ministries will be leading us in worship for this year's Christmas Special of Lessons & Carols. In addition to the Chancel Choir, we will have live instrumentation, including a String Quartet, and our guest organist will be Jan Fulford. This will be a night of retracing the Christmas Story through beautiful Christmas music and the Word. What a wonderful opportunity to invite your friends and family to join us, either night at 6:30pm. Childcare will be provided both nights.