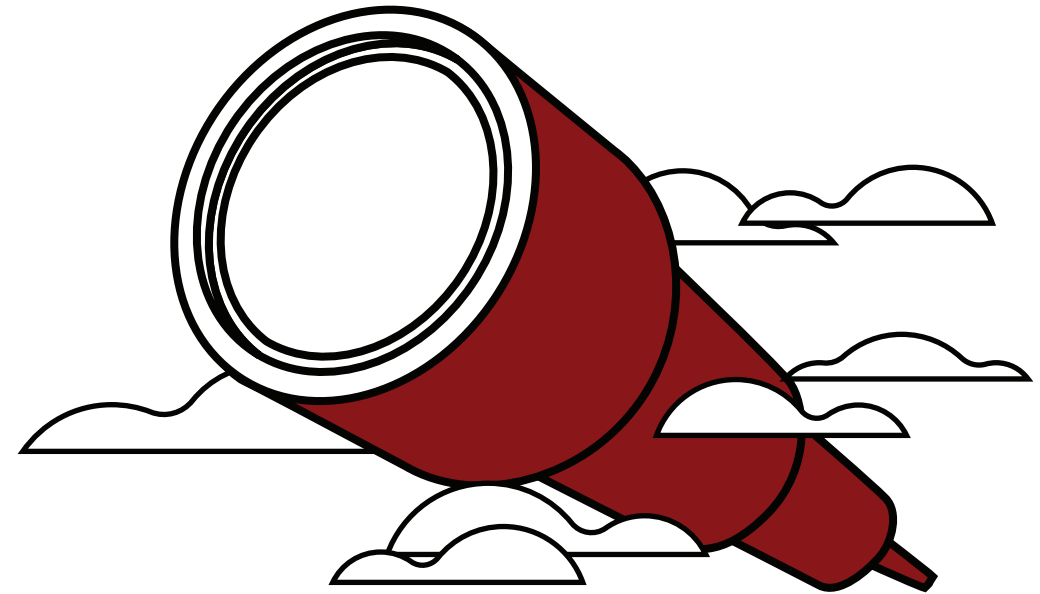


# CENTRAL SERVANT LEADERSHIP

**Leanne Backmeyer** | Ad Council Chair  
**Tara Jamison** | Secretary  
**Eileen Cravens** | At-Large  
**Debbie Jenkins** | Lay Leader  
**Janet Robinson** | Treasurer  
**Sally Sayre** | UMW Representative  
**Dave Sheets** | Trustees Chair  
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**Jan Passmore** | Endowment Chair  
**Krissi Hughes** | Mission Chair  
**Kathy George** | Childcare Director  
**Greg Scott** | Custodian  
**Kelli Fisher** | Custodian  
**Christin Hampton** | Office Manager  
**Madeleine Demetriades** | Music Minister  
**Phil Carder** | Associate Pastor  
**Joseph Seger** | Lead Pastor

## Welcome to Central!

Our worship is more complete with you here. Thank you for answering the nudge this morning to come and gather in a place where Jesus is Lord. Children's Grace Spaces are available throughout the sanctuary for our energetic, creative and littlest. Hearing assist devices can be found in the narthex just outside of the sanctuary doors. If you happen to take a photo or video of something special happening in worship or throughout the week, please feel free to tag us on Facebook. First time guests are welcome to fill out the visitor card in the pew and drop it in the offering plate as you depart. We look forward to connecting soon. We are more than a Sunday gathering - we are a people journeying after Jesus together. Please grab a gift at the Welcome Center to guide you on the way this week. Thank you for your presence in giving our God glory.



**November 28th, 2021 • 10:00am**  
Central United Methodist Church  
Richmond, IN

# CUMC WORSHIP SERVICE

## GATHERING

Prelude Reflection on *Of The Father's Love Begotten* - arr. Blackwell  
Welcome  
Lighting the Advent Wreath Isaiah 60:2-3 Purvis Family  
Messaging the Peace

## PROCLAIMING THE WORD

\*Hymn You Are Holy (Prince of Peace) On Screen  
\*Scripture Luke 21:25-36 Phil Scott  
Ministry Moment 24 Hour Prayer Jan Hibner  
Prayer  
Special Music Amy McKee & Madeleine Demetriades  
Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus - arr. Larson  
Sermon Keep Watch Pastor Joseph

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Offering Mary Did You Know? - Arr. Mark Hayes  
Doxology Red 94  
\*Hymn Hail to the Lord's Anointed Red 203  
Benediction Pastor Joseph  
Postlude Toccata on *O Come O Come Emmanuel* - arr. Carter

### Altar Flowers given by:

Carol Bucher in loving memory of my family  
Doug & Tara Jamison in loving memory of Don & Jane Jamison

**\* Please stand as you are able**

# INSPIRATION FROM WORSHIP



## Christmas at Central

Sounds of the Season - December 12th at 6:00pm  
Longest Night Service - December 21st at 6:00pm  
Christmas Eve Family Service - December 24th at 4:30pm  
Christmas Eve Candlelight Service - December 24th at 8:00pm

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## Sunday, November 28th

9:00am: Sunday School  
10:00am: Worship

## Monday, November 29th

7:30am: Childcare  
12:00pm: Women's Prayer Group  
1:30pm: Fireside Conversations  
6:30pm: Brianna's Hope

## Tuesday, November 30th

7:30am: Childcare  
9:00am: BSF  
1:00pm: Benevolence Team

## Wednesday, December 1st

7:30am: Childcare  
10:00am: Wisdom Study  
12:00pm: Men's Prayer Group  
5:30pm: Wesley Ringers  
6:30pm: Chancel Choir

## Studio 252's Advent Collection for Starr Elementary CIS

During Advent we focus on the four scriptural themes of HOPE, FAITH, JOY, PEACE which is why we have chosen to bless Starr Elementary CIS with their four most needed items. Each week of Advent we will focus on a different need, but you are welcome to bring in any of the items whenever you'd like :) Gently used items are absolutely fine; whether from your household's closets or a second hand store. There will be a collection box in the main foyer as well as one in the upstairs foyer by Studio 252 under our Compassion Tree. Thank you in advance for being a compassionate church: caring enough to do something about someone else's needs!

Advent wk 1: underwear (boys & girls, size 6-12)

Advent wk 2: socks (toddler thru adult sizes)

Advent wk 3: sweats/joggers/leggings (boys & girls, size 6-12)

Advent wk 4: keep their bellies and their backs warm with snacks and coats (girls & boys)

## Thursday, December 2nd

7:30am: Childcare  
4:00pm: Joy Singers  
6:30pm: Ad Council

## Friday, December 3rd

## Saturday, December 4th

## Sunday, December 5th

9:00am: Sunday School  
10:00am: Worship  
5:00pm: TRIBE

# REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

**Arbor Trace:** Marion Bentlage, Mildred Carroll, John Ingermann, Phyllis Bennett

**Friends Fellowship:** Miriam McComb, Mary Jim Hunt, Web Hall

**Brookdale:** Ruby Clevenger, Candice Boa Morguson

**Brethren Retirement Community:** Betty Sheets

**Legacy at Prairie Lakes:** Wanda Puckett

**Village Green - Greenville:** Kay Hess

& Everyone who is at home and unable to attend

# CENTRAL INFORMATION

## OUR VISION

Connect, Grow, and Serve at Central, because Jesus is Central.

## OUR MISSION

Making Disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

## OUR HOPE

Jesus. Always. Eternal Life. God's Kingdom. And you serving Him. If you are interested in continuing your journey or sharing your gifts and time through Central, please contact us and we will get you connected.

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# EVENTS AND HAPPENINGS

## **Red Cross Blood Drive**

Central United Methodist Church is scheduled for our next Red Cross blood draw. It will be held on Tuesday, December 21 between noon and 5:00. This will be our biggest campaign to date as we have been asked to fill fifty-one time slots. So now is the time to get registered. Go to [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) and enter CUMCRICH into the box that says Find a Blood Drive. Find a time slot that is convenient for you and provide the requested information. It's that easy. Fifteen minutes of your life that can mean a lifetime for someone else.

## **Year End Tax Considerations**

As we near the end of the year we all need to think about the opportunities that are available for reducing our tax liabilities. A contribution to Central United Methodist is one means that you can use to benefit yourself as well as your church. Depending upon your personal situation it could possibly result in a dollar for dollar benefit... and I think ALL of us would prefer giving to our church rather than paying more in taxes. Your tax advisor will be able to give you more information for your specific situation. Let us on the Endowment Committee know should you have any questions.

## **2022 Altar Flowers**

If you would like to place an order for Sunday altar flowers in 2022, please call the office at 765-962-8543 or email Christin at [christin@richmondcumc.com](mailto:christin@richmondcumc.com). Each order costs \$25 and is billed through Jack Daggy Flowers. There are plenty of open dates in 2022!

## **Sounds of the Season**

The 3rd annual Sounds of the Season is on Sunday, December 12th at 6:00pm. This diverse program will feature all of Central United Methodist Church's music ministry groups: The Wesley Handbell Ringers, Chancel Choir, Joysingers Children's Choir, Masked Singer Quartet, and other small ensembles and talented individuals. Get into the spirit of the season with us! This event will be in person as well as livestreamed over Central's facebook page. We ask that you bring a mask and practice social distancing.

# EVENTS AND HAPPENINGS

## **Longest Night Service - December 21st at 6:00pm**

When we look at one another, many of us expect to see a smile on another person's face and a twinkle in their eye. However, for many, Christmas can feel more like a season of great darkness and shadows. The longest and for many most difficult night of the year is December 21st. The Longest Night Service (sometimes referenced as Blue Christmas) will offer us a way to claim those feelings and still feel surrounded by the compassionate love of God.

## **YOUR UMW DOLLARS GO FOR LOCAL MISSIONS:**

The following seven local non-profits each received \$500 from Central's UMW during the Wayne County Foundation Match: A Better Way (Genesis), Community In Schools, Girls INC., Every Child Can Read, Birth to Five, NATCO Community Empowerment, and the Open Arms Ministry. Crafts items made and sold by the members of the Creative Hands and purchased by YOU made this possible. United Methodist Women is dedicated to serving women and children in our community and all over the world

## **Boys and Girls Club Christmas Shop**

Volunteering with no long term commitment! Work only when convenient for you! Help Set-up, Shop with children, Box Packages, Wrap Packages, and Last Day Clean-up. Set-up will be December 1st, 2nd, and 3rd from 9:30am - 1:30pm. Shopping will be December 6th - 8th 3:30pm to 5:30pm. Contact Thom Herrman for info. 765-914-6157 or [teherrman@gmail.com](mailto:teherrman@gmail.com)

## **24/7 Prayer Vigil for 2022**

Our church (CUMC) will be participating in a round the clock prayer vigil for a city wide spiritual revival and renewal for the 2022 year. CUMC has selected the 28th of every month in 2022 to pray for our city during the upcoming year. We are looking for prayer warriors to join us for this 24/7 focus. Persons may sign up to pray for as little as 15 minutes or as long as each individual wishes. Prayer warriors may pray from home or workplace - it's each persons choice as to where to pray. There will be a table in the hall of the church to sign up for your selected time. Each participant will receive a letter and prayer guide. Thanks for each of you for joining us in this vigil for spiritual and community revival. Thanks be to God. Your 24/7 Prayer Initiative Team; Jan Hibner (765-277-3136) and Toni Reinke (765-969-6631)