



## ORDER OF WORSHIP

January 31, 2021

“I know who you  
are, the Holy  
One of God.”

Mark 1:24

W elcome in the name of the Lord.

Behold how good and pleasant it is to share this time together.

May you feel cleansed and renewed by God's presence, equipped to face the challenges of the new week with courage, faith, and calm.

The Lord be with you.

At Central, we are committed to living the words of Jesus, "Love one another."

This church is open to all and welcomes everyone who chooses to worship here.

We affirm that all of us are created in God's image, regardless of age, gender, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, mental facility, economic circumstance, or physical condition.

Because we celebrate diversity, we are committed to using language in our worship that is inclusive. To preserve the integrity of the poetry, we may also use prayers, readings, hymns, or anthems in traditional versions.

### CONGREGATIONAL MEETING TODAY AT 11:15 A.M.

Attending the Congregational Meeting is a very important way to serve as part of the congregation, to ask questions about the re-imagining Chapel Hall capital campaign. The meeting is the first step in making our mission for 2021-2022 possible. It's the first step in making our mission possible for 2021-2022.

If you do not receive the link but are interested in attending or have any questions, please contact Tom Viall at [gripstand@gmail.com](mailto:gripstand@gmail.com).

We covenant with the Lord and with one another  
and do bind ourselves in the presence of God,  
to walk together in all the ways which are revealed to us by God,  
as the Word is made known to us. †

## FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

*Welcome to virtual worship. May you find hope, comfort and the love of God here.*

January 31, 2021

10:30 a.m.

CALL TO WORSHIP

*The Rev. Dr. Claudia Demick*

INVOCATION

HYMN “The Church’s One Foundation”

WORD OF FELLOWSHIP

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Forgiving God, you offer healing to those who are oppressed in so many different ways. We turn to You and know that Your goodness includes offering us the strength of Your power to forgive the ways that we fall short of Your will for us. We confess that we have not always turned to You in our need. We confess that sometimes we have not always answered Your call to live in peace with those around us. Open our hearts to see Your children with Your eyes. Open our eyes to see ourselves through Your heart. Give us the gift of grace upon grace we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

SCRIPTURE READING

*Mark 1:21-28*

*Caroline Patterson Inlow*

† *Based on the Salem Covenant, 1629*

SERMON “What is this?”

*The Rev. Rebecca L. Spencer*

OFFERTORY “Jubilate Deo”

JOHN RUTTER

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

HYMN: “God of Grace and God of Glory”

BENEDICTION

BUY NOTHING- SOCK DRIVE

Socks are among the most sought-after items in local shelters. So this year, instead of coats, Buy Nothing Day is having a Sock Drive. Please donate new pairs of warm socks, for adults or children, in unopened packaging, and place them in the box in Central’s Diman Place entry hall. They will be collected on Monday, Mar. 15, and distributed through local shelters.

If shopping for socks or dropping them off is an issue in this COVID-19 world, you can donate to Buy Nothing Day on its GoFundMe page at [www.gofundme.com/f/bnd-rhode-island-coat-drive/donate](http://www.gofundme.com/f/bnd-rhode-island-coat-drive/donate).

## SAVE THE DATE

Join the Stewardship Committee on Saturday, February 20th at 6:00 p.m. for Sip & 'Ship. Since we cannot have our in-person community dinners this year, we will be having this event virtually. This will be a great way to reconnect with your friends from Central. It will feature an evening filled with community, conversation, a toast to usher in new times, and even a game or two.

2020 was obviously a very challenging year for all of us but Central is still here providing ministry, mission and support. We have received so much from Central during these hard times, it is now time to give back.

More information and a way to RSVP will be coming soon. Please put Saturday, February 20th on your calendar!

## FAMILY TRIVIA DAY

Kick off Super Bowl Sunday with a virtual, fun-filled hour of questions, answers, and community. RSVP to Jeff Baran at [jeff@wakefieldliquors.com](mailto:jeff@wakefieldliquors.com). Sunday, Feb. 7, 12 noon.

## PARENT'S ZOOM

Last month we held our first Zoom meeting for parents, focusing on life during the pandemic. This month we will discuss difficult questions of faith, as well as any other pressing topics.

Tuesday, Feb. 23, 6:30 pm

## THIS WEEK AT CENTRAL

*During this time of social distancing, the following events are taking place virtually.  
Please contact the church office if you need additional details.*

### **SUNDAY, January 31**

- 9:30 a.m. Church School
- 10:15 a.m. Middle School Class
- 10:30 a.m. Worship
- 11:00 a.m. Confirmation Class
- 11:15 a.m. Congregational Meeting

### **MONDAY February 1**

- 7:00 p.m. Technology Committee Meeting

### **TUESDAY, February 2**

- 2:00 p.m. Church Office Staff Meeting

### **WEDNESDAY, February 3**

- 9:00 a.m.. Gallery Committee

### **SATURDAY, February 6**

- 7:00 p.m. Women's Retreat Group

### **SUNDAY, February 7**

- 9:00 a.m. Stewardship Committee
- 9:30 a.m. Church School
- 10:15 a.m. Middle School Class
- 10:30 a.m. Worship
- 11:00 a.m. Confirmation Class
- 12:00 Family Trivia