



ORDER OF WORSHIP

February 7, 2021

“Every one is  
searching for  
you.”

Mark 1:36

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.

### 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!

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. †

## FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

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

February 7, 2021

10:30 a.m.

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CALL TO WORSHIP

*Rev. Rebecca Spencer*

INVOCATION

HYMN “All Praise to Thee, for Thou, O King Divine”

WORD OF FELLOWSHIP

MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP

*Brian Angell*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious and Loving God, God of hope and promise. We rely on You for life and its meaning. We confess that we have sinned against You by letting go of hope, by not wanting to hear or accept your promises, by relying on ourselves and forgetting to rely on you, the God of love. Forgive us we pray, and once again, open our hearts to your grace, our minds to your promises of love for all your children, and our hands to our neighbors who may be in need. Bring us back to faith in your care and your inspiring and challenging love, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

† *Based on the Salem Covenant, 1629*

SCRIPTURE READING

*Mark 1:29-39*

*Beth Cotter*

SERMON “Let us go on”

*The Rev. Dr. Claudia Demick*

OFFERTORY “Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies”

T. FREDERICK K. CANDLYN

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

HYMN: “Amazing Grace”

BENEDICTION

FAMILY TRIVIA TODAY

Join Stewardship today at noon for a virtual, fun-filled hour of questions, answers, and community. RSVP to Jeff Baran at [jeff@wakefieldliquors.com](mailto:jeff@wakefieldliquors.com). Sunday,

**TODAY AT NOON!**

PARENTS 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, February 23 at 6:30 p.m.**

## 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, February 7**

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

### **TUESDAY, February 9**

- 2:00 p.m. Church Office Staff Meeting
- 5:45 p.m. Deacon's Meeting

### **THURSDAY, February 11**

- 7:00 p.m. Food for Thought

### **SATURDAY, February 13**

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

### **SUNDAY, February 14**

- 9:30 a.m. Church School
- 10:15 a.m. Middle School Class
- 10:30 a.m. Worship with Stewardship Moments
- 11:00 a.m. Confirmation Class
- 2:00 p.m. NEOS
- 4:00 p.m. WORD

### 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, March 15th 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).