FIRST READING	Thessalonians 5:16-24				
GOSPEL READING	Luke 1:46b~55	Rev. Janet Onnie			
SERMON "We Three Kings and Fourteen Schizophrenics" Rev. Onnie and Nelson Hay					
*UMH #254	"We Three Kings"				
CONGREGATIONAL	Billie Quigley				
THE LORD'S PRAYER					
OFFERING					
OFFERTORY	"What Child Is This"	Deborah Reed			
*DOXOLOGY UMH #95					
SENDING FORTH					
*UMH # 202	"People, Look East"				
*BENEDICTION		Rev. Janet Onnie			
*POSTLUDE	"O Come, All Ye Faithful"	Deborah Reed			

GO Pantry Thursdays (1st and 3rd) AGAPE SERVICE TODAY Greeter: Sandra Clemmer Communion Servers: Nursery: **Prayer Requests** Members Friends of Central VIPs Barbara Buckingham Audrey Bocock Scott Shelton Rev. Ken Beals & Jackie Randy Lindamood Won Ju Chang Tom Mitchell Betty Herr Aubrey Shelton **Beverly Coltrane** Thelma DePriest Paul Williams Richard & Millie Brown Betty Jo Obaugh Bruce Croser Lee Huffer Mary Flint William Walker

Sundays:

~11:00 AM — Worship

WED: 9:00 ~11:30 AM SAT: 10:00 ~11:30 AM

Food Pantry & Daily+ Bread:

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*Denotes Standing UMH (United Methodist Hymnal) TFWS (The Faith We Sing)

Epistle Reading: John 1:6-8, 19-28

Welcome to our guests and visitors. Thank you for worshiping with us today. Please fill out our <u>Welcome Card</u> and place it in the offering plate or give to an usher so we can get to know you better.

Announcements

- 1 Our last Advent Luncheon is December 20 at Christ UMC and our guest speaker is Pastor Won. We will begin at noon with worship followed by lunch.
- 2 December 24th, there will be a regular service at 11 AM and Lessons and Carols at 7 PM.
- 3 Central received an invitation to a lunch at Trinity Episcopal on 12/25 (from 1:00— 2:30) hosted by Michelle Edwards. The community is invited to attend.
- 4 There are some Christmas cards in the Gathering room. Please take a card and reach out to one of our shut-ins. Labels are also on the table with the cards. Please mail. Thank you from the Nurture Committee.
- 5 During the month of December we are having a Christmas offering. The offering collected will be divided between the Food Pantry and the Warm Shelter.
- 6 A Poinsettia form is included in the bulletin. If you would like to purchase a Poinsettia in memory or in honor of a loved one, please have the order form in by December 17 (today).

AGAPE SERVICE NEXT SUNDAY				
Greeters: Ed Smith	1			
Liturgist: John My	ers			
Communion Server	cs:			
Prayer Leader: Joe	Hill			
Nursery:				
LAST SUNDAY STEWARDSHIP				
Attendance 0	Weekly	Food Pantry		
	Offering \$2,530.00	\$306.00		
Christmas Fund	Samaritan Fund	Warm Shelter		
\$200.00	\$300.00	\$200.00		
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ACAPE SERVICE NEXT SUNDAY

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Order of Sunday Worship

December 17, 2023 11:00 AM 3rd Sunday of Advent



ENTRANCE

PRELUDE	"Emmanuel Comes"	Deborah Reed		
LIGHTING (OF THE 3rd ADVENT CANDLE	Nelson Hay		
READER: We light this candle as a symbol of Christ our Joy.				
May the joyful promise of your presence, O God,				
make us rejoice in our hope of salvation.				
ALL:	O Come, O Come, Emmanuel.			
PRAY IN SILENCE				
WELCOME		Rev. Janet Onnie		
*UMH #216 "Lo, How a Rose E're Blooming"				
*OPENING P	RAYER	Rev. Janet Onnie		
*PASSING OF PEACE				
ACT OF PRA	AISE # 847 Psalm 126	Bill Bushman		
PROCLAMATION				
PRAYER OF	ILLUMINATION			

(After the reading of the Scripture the reader will say: "The Word of God for the people of God" The congregation responds: "**Thanks be to God**")

*Stand as able