

PROCLAMATION

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING Acts 2:38-47

GOSPEL READING Luke 1:26-38

SERMON “Wait Is Over”

\*UMH #98 “To God Be the Glory”

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER Joe Hill

THE LORD’S PRAYER

OFFERING

OFFERTORY “Praise to the Lord” Yi-Ping Chen

\*DOXOLOGY UMH #95

SENDING FORTH

\*UMH # 234 “O Come, All Ye Faithful”

\*BENEDICTION Rev. Won Un

\*POSTLUDE “The Snow Lay on the Ground” Yi-Ping Chen

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Epistle Reading:  
Romans 16:25-27

*\*Denotes Standing*

*UMH (United Methodist Hymnal)*

*TFWS (The Faith We Sing)*

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

Sundays: ~ 11:00 AM — Worship		
Food Pantry & Daily+ Bread:  WED: 9:00 ~11:30 AM SAT: 10:00 ~11:30 AM		
GO Pantry  Thursdays (1st and 3rd)		
AGAPE SERVICE TODAY		
Greeter: Ed Smith		
Communion Servers:		
Nursery:		
Prayer Requests		
Members	VIPs	Friends of Central
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

Central United Methodist Church

“Centered in Christ, Centered on service”

## Announcements

- December 24th, Lessons and Carols at 7 PM  
Please join us.
- Thanks to Rev. Janet Onnie and Nelson Hay  
for their message last Sunday.
- Rev. Beals and Jackie want to express their  
appreciation for the food, cards, emails,  
transportation, and kindness shown to them.
- The Church office will be closed on December  
25. Happy Birthday to Jesus!
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

### Poinsettias in Loving Memory of:

**Ralph and Florence Atno by Deb Atno-Shelton**  
**Rev. Dr. Joon Kwan Un and Aeh Sun Un and**  
**Cmd. William and Barbara Harrison by The Un**  
**Family**

### Poinsettias in Loving Honor of:

**Millie Brown by Billie Quigley**  
**To the Glory of God by Mary E. Douglas**

AGAPE SERVICE NEXT SUNDAY		
Greeters: Diane Baker		
Liturgist: Mary Douglas		
Communion Servers:		
Prayer Leader: Deb Atno-Shelton		
Nursery:		
LAST SUNDAY STEWARDSHIP		
Attendance 43	Weekly Offering \$3,975.00	Food Pantry \$120.00
Christmas Fund \$420.00	Advent Lunch \$157.00 Advent Box \$40	Ukraine \$20.00
In Ministry Together		
Ministers..... All 306 Centralites!		
Pastor..... Won Un pastorun@centralumcstaunton.org		
Director of Music..... Yi-Ping Chen christinayipingchen@gmail.com		
Administrative Assistant..... Brenda Orebaugh centralumc@centralumcstaunton.org		
Custodian..... Janet Nuckoles		
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District Superintendent..... Doug Forrester ValleyRidgeDS@vaumc.org		
Resident Bishop..... Sue Hauptert-Johnson Bishop@vaumc.org		

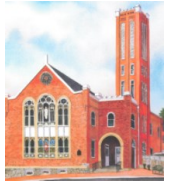
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**Office Hours~ 8:30 AM-2:00 PM**  
**Monday ~ Thursday**



## Order of Sunday Worship

December 24, 2023  
 11:00 AM

4th Sunday of Advent



### *ENTRANCE*

PRELUDE “She Comes Sailing on the Wind” Yi-Ping Chen

LIGHTING OF THE 4th ADVENT CANDLE Dan, Sharon & Hunter Duncan

**READER:** We light this candle as a symbol of the Prince of Peace.

May the visitation of your Holy Spirit, O God  
 make us ready for the coming of Jesus, our hope and joy.

**ALL:** O Come, O Come, Emmanuel.

PRAY IN SILENCE

WELCOME

Rev. Won Un

\*UMH #224 “Good Christian Friends, Rejoice”

\*OPENING PRAYER

Rev. Won Un

\*PASSING OF PEACE

ACT OF PRAISE #199

Canticle of Mary

John Myers

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Still, Still, Still”

Yi-Ping Chen

*(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*