## **Central Happenings**

SUNDAY – January 14

10:00am Worship (Sanctuary/Online)
WEDNESDAY – January 17
10:00am WOW (Fitch Parlor)
12:00pm Charity Knitters (Discipleship)
5:30pm Bell Choir Practice (Sanctuary)
THURSDAY – January 18
7:00pm Central Choir Practice (Rehearsal Hall)

**Calling everyone** to join the Deacons at the Super Bowl pre-game party on Sunday, February 11 following worship. Bring your favorite chili/soup to share or just come and enjoy the food and fellowship.

**Christian Education classes** are examining several books of the Bible over the next few months. We start with Genesis on January 21, Exodus February 4 & 18 and Esther March 3 & 17. Come join us in Fitch Parlor at 9:00am every other week as we explore God's Word for us.

**The Annual Meeting of the Congregation** is called for Sunday, January 28, immediately after the 10:00am service. Please let Pastor Wil know if you would like to attend via Zoom. The Annual Report will be posted online. Printed copies will be available at the meeting and by request.

**Circle 20/20 will gather** on Saturday, January 27 in the Small Fellowship Hall at 1:00 pm for a hands-on mission project to support our community, namely LUM and Lafayette Transitional Housing. We will assemble lunch bags. - no cooking required - and make lentil-ham soup, easy! Everyone welcome!

**Did you know** that we have a hearing loop system to assist those with hearing aids with t-coils? Please sit on the main floor or first row of the balcony for optimal use.

Pastor: Wil Reinowski Traditional Music & Organist: Jeffry Stearns Adult Handbells: Janice Spitalniak Contemporary Music: Paul Foster Custodian: Bob Hill

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# **Central Presbyterian Church**

Second Sunday After the Epiphany

January 14, 2024

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#### Welcome

Prelude

(Chris Tomlin)

#### \*Call to Worship

Deb Hester

Leader: The one who calls you together this day yearns for each of you and for all people to hear and be blessed.

"Not To Us"

#### People: Speak, Lord, for your servants are listening.

Leader: Blessed is the One who comes bringing trustworthy words for the healing of the world.

## People: Speak, Lord, for your servants are listening.

*Hymn	"O God, You Search Me"	29
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#### **Call to Confession**

**Prayer of Confession (Unison)** 

Holy God, you see into each of us and know us fully as creatures in need of your constant care. We confess that we have neither heard your word nor followed your will. We have failed our nation, neighbors, families, friends, and ourselves. Give us ears to hear your wisdom. Lead us to honesty and faith so that we may begin again with renewed strength; in Jesus' name. Amen.

#### **Declaration of Forgiveness**

Leader: God knows the hearts of those who seek forgiveness, and by grace we have been saved. In Jesus' name we are forgiven. Our sins are no more. We have been made clean. God strengthens us with freedom through the Holy Spirit, in Christ Jesus.

(back cover Hymnal)

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People: Thanks be to God! Amen.

### \*Congregational Response

"Glory to God in the Highest"

\*Passing of the Peace

#### **Prayer for Illumination**

First Reading		Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18
Anthem	"This Little Light of Mine"	(Spiritual/Mabry)
Second Reading		John 1:43-51
Message	"Seeing Clearly"	Rev. Wil Reinowski
*Hymn	"I, the Lord of Sea and Sky"	69
*Affirmation of Faith	Apostles' Creed	(page 35 Hymnal)
*Congregational Response"Gloria Patri"		581

#### **Call To Prayer**

**Prayers of the People** 

The Lord's Prayer

#### Invitation to Offering

The offering basket is located at the back of the west aisle of the sanctuary. Feel free to leave your offering at any time.

Offertory	"Psalm 139"	(Fernando Ortega

\*Doxology

\*Prayer of Dedication (Unison):

Bless in every way, O Lord, the gifts of the people here given. Enrich the ministries of your people and make us grateful to be able to let go of the things we do not, finally, own. Amen.

*Hymn	"In Christ There Is No East or West"	317		
*Benediction				
Postlude	"Postlude on FOUNDATION"	(Callahan)		
* Please stand as you are able.				

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# In Our Prayers 🖧

We pray for Cyril Sturm, Maythia Johnson, Peg Weir and Don Racheter for health reasons. We also pray for our Special Care friends Nancy Clerget and Norma Doyle.

**The Congregational Letters** found at the back of the sanctuary are for Cyril Sturm and Maythia Johnson. Please add your name and a brief message for them.