

CENTRAL CHURCH
FEBRUARY 22, 2026 (8TH SUNDAY)
ORDER OF WORSHIP

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

OPENING MUSIC **Amazing Grace**
 Graves Into Gardens

SCRIPTURE READING **Matthew 5:14-16**

You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

PASSING THE PEACE

BLESSING AND PRE/K DISMISSAL

THE APOSTLES' CREED

PRAYER

CONTINUING MUSIC **Always on Time**

CHILDREN DISMISSED FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL

SCRIPTURE TEXT **Philippians 2:12-16**

TODAY'S MESSAGE **Shining or Whining**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING

CLOSING MUSIC **Broken Vessels (Amazing Grace) / Life**

BLESSING

PRAYERS AT FRONT OF CHURCH

Please leave the last three sanctuary rows empty for visitors & those with mobility needs. Thank you.

AFTER-CHURCH FELLOWSHIP: Join us in the gym! If you would like to take a turn bringing snacks, there is a sign-up next to the Deacons' bulletin board. Thanks to all who support our coffee hour.

MONDAY BIBLE STUDY meets at 7:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY is at 10:30 a.m. The study is on 1 Thessalonians.

YOUTH GROUP meets on Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m.

KIDS CENTRAL is on Thursdays at 4:30 p.m.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Thank you so much, volunteer teachers and helpers. More helpers are needed for each age group (sign-up next to the gym). For more info, please speak with Jeanine (Children's Ministry) or Rayna (Youth Ministry), or contact the office at 631-421-3663 / centch@optonline.net

DEACONS FUND: Please prayerfully consider a donation to this ministry (write "Deacons" on the memo line). Your contributions have helped many in our community. Envelopes are in the pews, and a collection box is on the offering table.

DEACON-ON-CALL: If you have a spiritual, physical, or financial need, or know someone who does, please contact Gladys Paulsen, Deacon on Call for the week of February 22nd, at 631-873-6446.

TRUSTEES-ON-CALL are Luca McNeil, 631-923-8849, and Peter Stuyvesant, 631-897-4710.

ELDER-ON-CALL for February is Kurt Roman, 631-757-7954.

HELPING HAND RESCUE MISSION: Nonperishable canned, boxed, or bagged food may be placed on the wooden chest in the hallway. Your donations are much appreciated.

JAMAICA DONATIONS: Thank you for your donations. If you would like to order Amazon or Walmart items* and have them sent straight to Jamaica, please notify the office of your purchase so that Trevor Hines and his family know. The shipping address is 77 Vanzie Land, Falmouth PO Trelawny, Jamaica, West Indies.

**Needed supplies include the following: Toothbrushes and toothpaste; diapers and baby formula; canned veg, beans, tuna; shelf-stable milk; rice and cereal; crackers; cooking oil; aspirin and band aids; batteries; matches. The office can be reached at 631-421-3663 / centch@optonline.net*



CENTRAL FAMILY PRAYER CONCERNS

“...For we do not know how to pray as we should, but the Spirit Himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words.” Romans 8:26

Pray for Our Church

- For our church family as we worship on Sunday mornings and follow God each day
- For our church ministries, programs, and events
- For our Pastor, staff, and church leaders (Session, Deacons, and Trustees) who are doing their best to keep the church running and helping our church family with needs
- For our church as we appeal the court decision with the PC(USA)

Pray for Our Nation and Our World

- For our military men and women stationed at home and abroad: John & Bethany B., Kaitlin D., and Anasia H.
- For our government officials on all levels, as they are working hard for our country to get through violence, economic troubles, and natural disaster recovery
- For Israel – for a lasting peace
- For Haiti – for the nation’s release and healing from gang violence, political turmoil, and food and fuel price hikes, all of which have been ravaging this country
- For Ukraine – for the safety of its people and for the wisdom of its leaders
- For our country and for all nations around the world recovering from civil unrest in addition to natural catastrophes

Ongoing Prayer for Individuals

- **Who have various health concerns, including Central members and friends:** Annabelle A., Cleavon B., Evelyn B., Lisa B., Margaret B., Ken C., Lois C., Bob E., Vicki E., Diane G., Shannon G., Doral H., Frani H., Tina H., Kay J., Darin J., Pete M., Vanessa M., Gladys P., Claude S., Jeanine S., Linda T., Evelyn T., Bill Z., Aileen, and the many friends and family members of our church family.
 - **Who are homebound or are in nursing homes, assisted living, and rehab facilities, including Central members:** Frani H.
 - **Who are mourning the loss of loved ones**
 - **Who are moving to or seeking new homes**
 - **Who are experiencing employment issues,** including those who had their work hours cut, were laid off, or are struggling in the workplace.
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