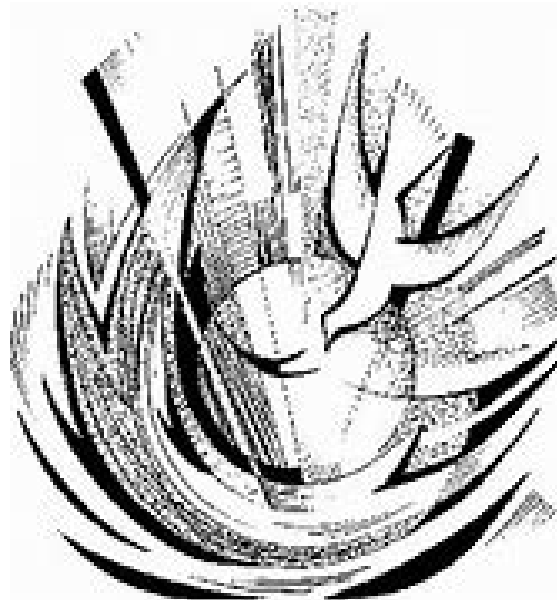


Central  
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Sault Ste. Marie, MI

Mission Statement:  
**Connecting all people to God  
by building bridges of caring, outreach, and acceptance.**

Sunday, January 9, 2022



With Reverend Vickie Hadaway

Central UMC's Worship Gathering  
January 9, 2022, at 10:30 am

*Welcome to our worship celebration!*

*Offering boxes are at the back on both sides of the sanctuary by the doors.  
We will not be passing the plates.*

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\*Indicates please stand on your feet or in your heart.

Baptism of the Lord

PRELUDE

*Christmas Carol Medley*

arr. HUGHES

WELCOME

\*CALL TO WORSHIP <sup>1</sup>

One: Holy God, you placed a star in the sky to draw wise folk to the place of Christ's nativity.

All: **There you revealed the mystery of your eternal purpose for all humanity:  
God made flesh, born of Mary.**

One: Through Jesus you opened the promise you made to Abraham and Sarah to all the world.

All: **Empower our church to be as the light of the star, that we may draw the world to the glory  
of Christ, our Lord, whom we worship this day. Amen.**

\*OPENING HYMN

*The First Noel*

UMH 245  
THE FIRST NOEL

TIME FOR YOUNG CHRISTIANS

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 29

GOSPEL READING

Luke 3:15, 21-22

SERMON

*"Well Pleased"*

REMEMBER OUR BAPTISM

Remember Our Baptism<sup>1</sup>

Introduction

Prayer—Pastor

Affirmation of Faith<sup>2</sup>

**We believe in God the Father, infinite in wisdom, power, and love,**

**whose mercy is over all his works, and whose will is ever directed to his children's good.**

**We believe in Jesus Christ, Son of God and Son of man, the gift of the Father's unfailing**

**grace, the ground of our hope, and the promise of our deliverance from sin and death.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit as the divine presence in our lives, whereby we are kept in**

**perpetual remembrance of the truth of Christ, and find strength and help in time of  
need.**

We believe that this faith should manifest itself in the service of love as set forth in the example of our blessed Lord, to the end that God's kingdom of love and light may come upon the earth. Amen.

Prayer over the Water—Pastor

Remember Your Baptism

*While music is played, you are invited to come forward to one of the bowls of water.  
Dip your finger into the water and make a sign of the cross on your forehead.  
Take one of the colored stones from the water to remind you of your baptism.*

Prayer of Thanksgiving—Pastor

Footnotes:

1. Portions taken from *Touch Holiness*, eds. Ruth C. Duck & Maren C. Tirabassi. © 1990 The Pilgrim Press.
2. Affirmation of Faith (slightly adapted) from UM Book of Worship (#885).

RESPONSE HYMN

*Spirit of the Living God* (sing Twice)

UMH 393  
LIVING GOD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE  
THE LORD'S PRAYER

ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*CLOSING HYMN

*I Am Thine, O Lord*

UMH 419  
I AM THINE

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*Sortie - Marche*

arr. ROUHER

Footnotes:

1. Call to Worship adapted from Feasting on the Word ® Worship Companion. © 2012 Westminster John Knox.

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Nursery Staff: Mallory Baier

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## **Announcements – Jan. 9, 2022**

All are welcome to join an Adult Bible Study class.

Sunday mornings at 9:15 a.m. Led by Ray Bell. Drop in! All are welcome.

Wednesday mornings at 10:00 a.m. – “Invitation to the New Testament”. The class meets in the library.

Adult Choir Rehearsals begin Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. New members Welcome!

### **SAVE THE DATES:**

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| <b>Jan. 12</b> | Bible Study- 10:00 a.m. – “Introduction to the New Testament” -Library<br>Choir Rehearsal at 7:00 p.m. |
| <b>Jan. 13</b> | SPRC meets at 7:00 p.m.  |