



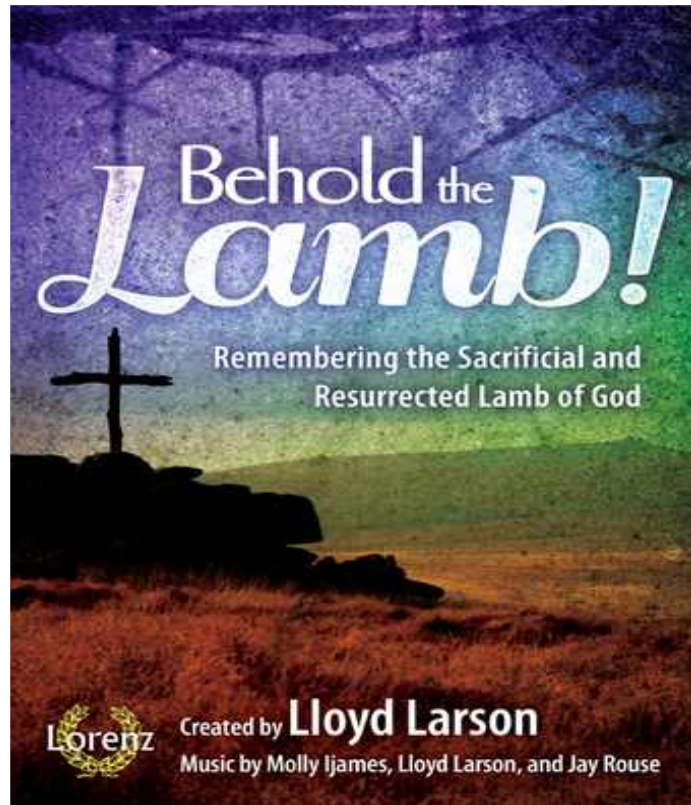
**Central United Methodist Church
of Colorado Springs**

“A Place to Begin...Belong...Become”

**THE CENTRAL FAMILY OF FAITH
GATHERED IN PRAISE AND CELEBRATION**

Rev. Debra Wacker

**Sunday, April 2, 2023, 10:00 am
Palm Sunday Cantata**



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- Prelude** “Hosanna, Loud Hosanna, the Little Children Sang” Kim Crom
- Palm Processional** “Hosanna, Loud Hosanna” UMH #278
(All are welcome to **join the kids waving their palms** in their seats, up front, or at the altar)
- Welcome** Rev. Deb Wacker
- Communion** Rev. Deb
- Sharing the Meal** Communion Worship Assistants:
Oscar Agnew, Don Bunce, Joyce Rockwell,
Katherine Cox, Bob and Angie Edwards

(As you are able, please come to one of the 4 stations, a team of two servers wearing gloves **will place a piece of bread** and a cup of juice into your hand.)
- Prayer of Thanksgiving** Rev. Deb
- The Lord’s Prayer**
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.
- Cantata** “Behold The Lamb” by Lloyd Larson
Central United Methodist Chancel Choir
1. Praise the Holy Lamb of God!
 2. What Wondrous Love is This
 3. Hosanna to the King of Israel!
 4. At the Lamb's High Feast
 5. Hallelujah! What a Savior!
 6. Kyrie
 7. Crown Him Lord of All!
 8. Behold the Lamb!

Lyrics

*Benediction of the People

Rev. Deb

Leader: Give thanks to God for God is good!

People: God's steadfast love endures forever! Hosanna!

Leader: We go from this place crying out for salvation!

People: Come, save us! Hosanna!

Leader: We go from this place ready to follow Jesus to the garden, the cross, and the tomb.

People: Come, save us! Hosanna!

Leader: We go from this place ready to pay attention as the waving of palms turns to a sentence of crucifixion.

People: Come. Save us. Hosanna.

Leader: We go from this place knowing that even in death, God's love endures.

People: Amen.

Postlude

"Cross of Christ Medley" arr. L. Shackley Jo Jackson & Kim Crom

(Please remain seated until the music has stopped. The service is still being streamed live on zoom.)

Palm Processional

"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

UMH #278

1. Hosanna, loud hosanna, the little children sang;
through pillared court and temple the lovely anthem rang.
To Jesus, who had blessed them close folded to his breast,
the children sang their praises, the simplest and the best.
2. From Olivet they followed mid an exultant crowd,
the victor palm branch waving, and chanting clear and loud.
The Lord of earth and heaven rode on in lowly state,
nor scorned that little children should on his bidding wait.
3. "Hosanna in the highest!" that ancient song we sing,
for Christ is our Redeemer, the Lord of heaven our King.
O may we ever praise him with heart and life and voice,
and in his blissful presence eternally rejoice!

*Standing for those who wish

WE ARE LOYAL TO OUR CHURCH BY OUR

PRAYERS: Carol Zemple; Norm Pechacek; Lillian Bauserman. Henry Robinson, Trae Gilbert-DeGraffe, Mike Wheat, Our "WAVES," Tranquil United Methodist church, our country and its leaders.

Serving in mission: Kutela Katembo, Missionary in Angola, Africa
Turkey, Syria, Russia

PRESENCE: Sanctuary 83, Fellowship Hall 3, Online 9, Nursery 4 **Total: 99**

GIFTS:	March 26	March 19	March 12	March 5	Feb 26
	\$4,259.00	\$2,371.75	\$4,009.75	\$5,666.25	\$4,883.00

SERVICE: To Jon Ainsworth and the Chancel Choir for organizing and singing today's beautiful Cantata.

CHURCH OPPORTUNITIES

TODAY EASTER FUN FOR EVERYONE!! The youth have planned an Easter Egg hunt and game for all ages **after church today**. Come join the fun and be a kid again!! There will be a children's area and another location for youth and adults

URGENT NOTICE: Our hosting week for IHN has been moved up a week to **April 23 - 30**. Sign-up sheets are in Fellowship Hall this morning!!

APRIL MISSION FOCUS: Interfaith Hospitality Network "New Life for Families with Children" As we celebrate new life with nature awakening all around us, we can help provide new hope to families with children by offering them a place to sleep, home-cooked suppers, along with our friendship and encouragement. IHN is a program of Family Promise supported by 30 congregations in Colorado Springs. "Host Congregations" provide hospitality in their facility for one week (2 - 4 weeks per year). "Support Congregations" bring a meal or two during the week to a host facility. Other support congregations contribute financially. Central has been a HOST CONGREGATION since IHN began in 1997! Think how many families we have helped! Family Promise is blessed to have the volunteers in churches who step up to support families in such a unique, hands-on way. We want to also help financially this month. Your contribution to Family Promise will support the staff and programs that provide each family an opportunity to re-group and move toward financial and personal stability. Can you help? You may write a check to CUMC, designated Family Promise, or drop coins or cash in the little 'house' at the sanctuary entrance on Sundays. Thank you for your gift of New Life for families with children!

FOOD GIFTS "National Peanut Butter Month for Central" The pantry is always in need of more peanut butter! CAN YOU HELP? Let's each bring a jar of peanut butter or other non-perishable food items during April. Please bring food to grocery carts in the hallway on any Sunday or weekday during April. Last year we gave 51 jars of peanut butter. Can we top that this year?!

WALKING TO JERUSALEM: From: Smoky Hill UMC

We overachieved this week (with several people reporting miles for multiple weeks) and we have arrived in Jerusalem early. Our goal was 8,394 miles and we have traveled 8,683. We will spend the next weeks exploring Jerusalem, so keep reporting your miles. We first arrived in Milan, Italy where we visited the enormous Duomo di Milano gothic cathedral which boasts 3,400 statues and 700 marble figures. Our next stop was Albania where we relaxed on the Albania Riviera and enjoyed tave kosi, a delicious dish of lamb, rice, and yogurt. We then traveled on to Afyonkarahisa, Turkey which sits between two continents of Asia and Europe. Its highest mountain is Mount Ararat which is believed to be the final resting place of Noah's Ark. We tried sucuk, a spiced sausage, drank very strong unfiltered Turkish coffee, and finished with lokum, a delicious Turkish dessert.

Miles walked this week: 1,615

Total miles walked on journey: 8,683

KINDNESS CHALLENGES THIS WEEK

Week 6: April 2nd – 8th

Focus: GOODNESS

Kindness Challenges:

- 1. Leave a sticky note with a kind message when you go out today.**
- 2. Share an encouraging poem with someone.**
- 3. Go on a walk and pick up trash along the way.**
- 4. Find a reason to laugh today. Tell someone a good joke!**
- 5. Write a letter or card and send it to someone who is not expecting it.**
- 6. Be kind to our planet: cut coffee cup waste by carrying your own reusable cup.**
- 7. Be kind to yourself: when you discover something that nourishes your soul and brings joy, care enough about yourself to make room for it in your life.**

THANK YOU to all the volunteers who made the United Methodist Men (UMM) Breakfast on March 25 such a success. Although it was the first time in many years, it was held at church, the UMM and their spouses thank those who attended and hope we will see you at the future events. Watch the Bulletin for date and time. Bob Rummel

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WELCOME TO OUR FAMILY OF FAITH – A warm greeting is extended to all who are visiting with us today. We are delighted that you chose to worship with us this morning. It is our prayer that this service will be a source of comfort and inspiration to you. If we can be of assistance, please don't hesitate to let us know.

Senior Pastor	Debra Wacker
Pastor Emeritus	Judy Owsley
Quiet Disciple	Elyse Brunnemer
Office Manager	Marie Nieto
Bookkeeper	Cheryl James
Bell Choir Director	Priscilla Tracy
Chancel Choir/Praise Band Director	Jon Ainsworth
Nursery Caregivers	Chelsea Bosick & Lani Bosick
Sensory Room	Melissa James
Facility Manager	John Cox
Worship Production Team	Rod Rockwell & John Cox
Accompanists	Jo Jackson & Kim Crom
Ministers	All the members of the congregation

