



**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, June 11, 2023, 10:00 am

**"PERFECTIONISM
IS IMPOSSIBLE.
TRANSFORMATION
ISN'T."**

Good Enough:

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- Prelude** "Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy" from Southern Harmony Kim Crom
- Welcome** Rev. Deb Wacker
- Church Opportunities** Bob Edwards
- *Call to Worship** Bob Edwards
- Leader: Let us pray together: Holy One, Merciful God, make yourself known to us.
People: **Be present with us in this often-troubled journey of life.**
Leader: Create in us hearts that are open to transformation
People: **Give us the patience of practice – ordering our days with time enough for you. Amen.**
- *Hymn of Praise** "Be Thou My Vision" UMH #451
- Children's Message** Elyse Brunnermer
- Prayers of the People** 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.
- *Prayer of Thanksgiving** Rev. Deb
- Offertory** "Good Enough" Jon Ainsworth & Kim Crom
What in our lives do we dream about for tomorrow, void of sorrow?
Time spent regretting decisions of our yesterdays, mistakes we made?
Sometimes we get what we get, life disappoints us and yet,
God is still here and somehow, this faith is good enough.
- *Offertory Response** "Good Enough"
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- Hymn of Preparation:** "Open My Eyes, That I May See" UMH #454

Scripture

Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

Bob Edwards

Matthew 6:1-6 “Beware of practicing your piety before others in order to be seen by them; for then you have no reward from your Father in heaven. “So whenever you give alms, do not sound a trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, so that they may be praised by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. But when you give alms, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, so that your alms may be done in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you. “And whenever you pray, do not be like the hypocrites; for they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, so that they may be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. But whenever you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

Matthew 6:16-21 “And whenever you fast, do not look dismal, like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces so as to show others that they are fasting. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. But when you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face, so that your fasting may be seen not by others but by your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you. “Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal; but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Leader: A Word of God that is still speaking

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

“Perfectionism is Impossible. Transformation Isn’t.” Rev. Deb

***Closing Hymn**

“More Love to Thee, O Christ” UMH# 453 vs 1, 2, & 4

***Benediction of the People**

Rev. Deb

Postlude

"Postlude" H. Purcell Kim Crom

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

*Stand as you wish

***Hymn of Praise**

“Be Thou My Vision”

UMH #451

1. Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art.
Thou my best thought, by day or by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.
2. Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;
thou and thou only, first in my heart, great God of heaven, my treasure thou art.
3. Great God of heaven, my victory won, may I reach heaven’s joys, O bright heaven’s Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

Hymn of Preparation:

“Open My Eyes, That I May See”

UMH #454

1. Open my eyes, that I may see glimpses of truth thou hast for me,
place in my hands the wonderful key that shall unclasp and set me free.
2. Open my ears, that I may hear voices of truth thou sendest clear;
and while the wave-notes fall on my ear, everything false will disappear.
3. Open my mouth and let me bear gladly the warm truth everywhere;
open my heart and let me prepare love with thy children thus to share.

Refrain

*Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit divine!*

***Closing Hymn**

“More Love to Thee, O Christ”

UMH# 453 vs 1, 2, & 4

1. More love to thee, O Christ, more love to thee! Hear thou the prayer I make on bended knee.
This is my earnest plea: More love, O Christ, to thee; more love to thee, more love to thee!
2. Once earthly joy I craved, sought peace and rest; now thee alone I seek; give what is best.
This all my prayer shall be: More love, O Christ, to thee; more love to thee, more love to thee!
4. Then shall my latest breath whisper thy praise; this be the parting cry my heart shall raise;
this still its prayer shall be: More love, O Christ, to thee; more love to thee, more love to thee!

WE ARE LOYAL TO OUR CHURCH BY OUR

PRAYERS: Maxine and Robert Rummel; Linda Groth; Ashley Aragon's mom, Kim Roman; Josephine Yacoub's niece, Cathy; Judy Day's brother, Roger Hanousek, Sheri Weichers, Norm Pechacek, Angie Edwards' niece Xiamora; and our "WAVES," our country and its leaders.

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

PRESENCE: Sanctuary 72, Fellowship Hall 2, Online 11, & Nursery 8 **Total: 93**

GIFTS:	June 4 th	May 28 th	May 21 st	May 14 th	May 7 th
	\$5,593	\$3,200.00	\$5,870.00	\$1,519.00	\$8,742.00

SERVICE: Thank you to Elaine Ainsworth for finding a new caricaturist.

CHURCH OPPORTUNITIES

JUNE MISSION FOCUS: Native Grace A United Methodist Ministry in Southern Colorado. We are part of a remarkable story! We at Central learned about Native Grace in 2019 and have been able to support them in their ministry with several heartwarming projects.

Native Grace is a native American fellowship that holds Sunday worship in the building of the Cortez United Methodist Church. The two congregations work together to support families (especially the elderly) living on the Navajo Reservation in the Four Corners area.

In 2020 our Christmas offering raised funds to purchase replacement propane tanks for homes of the elderly. In 2021 we helped Native Grace to purchase a utility trailer so that experienced craftsmen in the church could partner with young men and women to repair rundown homes on the reservation. That service will continue for many years.

We want to continue supporting Native Grace as they offer a place where Christian faith and Native traditions come together ... a place where children can learn about

their heritage as they grow to love Jesus Christ. If you're able to help, you may write a check, payable to CUMC and designated for Native Grace or drop currency in the reed basket at the sanctuary doors.

Food Gifts in June: Every Sunday is CEREAL SUNDAY in June! Cereal seems to fly off the shelves of the pantry at Mercy's Gate because it is a favorite food of all ages. It's easy to prepare and requires no cooking.

Boxes of cereal are large, so it should be easy to fill the cart by the south entrance. We're serious; they need cereal! Please bring boxes of cereal (or other non-perishable food or hygiene items) on any Sunday or weekday in June.

That would be snap, crackle, pop wonderful!!

Vacation Bible School is almost here! Monday, June 26th – Thursday, June 29th 9 a.m. to Noon. The week is going to be MONUMENTAL! Wanna Help with this fantastic and fun outreach/mission? Contact Adrienne Schipfer at 719-640-6397 or mschipfer@yahoo.com Join us to have fun watching our children grow their faith!

Time to Sign up for our Summer Baseball Game! Come watch VIBES baseball with VBS families and several churches. Wednesday, June 28th - Game starts at 6:35pm But don't wait for the game, come early for the pre-game potluck!

The Tailgate Party starts at 5:15pm in the parking lot of UHealth Park stadium 4385 Tutt Blvd., Colorado Springs, 80922 (east of Powers and Barnes).

[Look for balloons on a car, hopefully on the north side of the parking lot, near the grass. Bring blankets or chairs to sit on.] Dress for the weather.

Sign-up sheet is near church entrance, sign up and pay \$2/person (to office or Cindy Medina) by Sunday, June 18th.

Sign up early and get your tickets early or at the tailgate party. Parking is \$2/car upon arrival. Helpers are welcome!

During the Annual Conference Rev. Judy will be preaching at Central on **Sunday, June 25th.**