

**Central United Methodist Church
of Colorado Springs**

"A Place to Begin...Belong...Become"

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

Sunday, February 13, 2022, 10:00 am



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Central United Methodist Church

PRELUDE

"What Wondrous Love is This" arr. L. Shackley

Kim Crom

PRESENTATION OF THE COLORS

Boy Scout Troop 220

WELCOME

Pastor Eunjoo Yi

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Karen Hobson

Leader: We are gathered to worship and praise God

People: Our hearts are open. Open to receive God's blessing in this holy hour.

Leader: Our minds are open. Open to receive God's message for this day.

**People: Our hands are open. Open to offer our gifts to our Lord.
Gifts of gratitude and reverence.**

Leader: Come, let us worship the Lord.

All: Come, oh God, be our Vision for ministry and mission.

* HYMN

"Be Thou My Vision"

Hymnal, No. 451 (vv. 1 & 2)

1. Be thou my vision, 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.

CHURCH OPPORTUNITIES

Karen Hobson

ANNOUNCEMENT

Gordon Crom, Chair of Staff Parish Relations Committee

MISSIONS CELEBRATION

Missions Ministry Team
Rev. Judy and Pat Dudgeon

*SONG OF CELEBRATION

"Halle, Halle, Halleluja"

TFWS, No. 2026
Led by Spirit Singers

Halle, Halle, Halle-lu-ja! Halle, Halle, Halle-lu-ja!
Halle, Halle, Halle-lu-ja! Halleluja! Halleluja!

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Karen Hobson

OUR PRAYERS

Pastor Eunjoo

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.

SCRIPTURE Psalm 1 & Micah 6:8 (NRSV) Reader: Karen Hobson

Psalm 1: “Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or take the path that sinners tread, or sit in the seat of scoffers; but their delight is in the law of the Lord, and on his law they meditate day and night. They are like trees planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither. In all that they do, they prosper. The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away. Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous; for the Lord watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.”

Micah 6:8:“He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God.”

MESSAGE “Obeying the Law” Rev. Judy

HYMN “We Are Called” TFWS, No. 2172

1. Come! Live in the light! Shine with the joy and the love of the Lord! We are called to be light for the kingdom, to live in the freedom of the city of God!
2. Come! Open your heart! Show your mercy to all those in fear! We are called to be hope for the hopeless so all hatred and blindness will be no more!
3. Sing! Sing a new song! Sing of that great day when all will be one! God will reign, and we’ll walk with each other as sisters and brothers united in love!

Refrain

*We are called to act with justice, we are called to love tenderly,
we are called to serve one another, to walk humbly with God!*

OFFERING OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

Offertory “The Love of God” arr. L. Shackley Kim Crom & Jo Jackson

*Doxology “Alleluia” Hymnal, No. 186

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

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*Blessing the Offering Pastor Eunjoo

*HYMN “Sent Forth by God’s Blessing” Hymnal No. 664

1. Sent forth by God’s blessing, our true faith confessing,
thy people of God from this dwelling take leave.
The service is ended,
O now be extended the fruits of our worship in all who believe.

The seed of the teaching, receptive souls reaching,
shall blossom in action for God and for all.

God’s grace did invite us, and love shall unite us
to work for God’s kingdom and answer the call.

2. With praise and thanksgiving to God ever living,
the tasks of our everyday life we will face.
Our faith ever sharing, in love ever caring,
embracing God’s children of each tribe and race.
With your grace you feed us, with your light now lead us;
unite us as one in this life that we share.
Then may all the living with praise and thanksgiving give honor
to Christ and that name which we bear.

*BENEDICTION Rev. Judy

POSTLUDE “Calvary Love” R. Hughes Kim Crom

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

*Standing for those who are able



WELCOME TO
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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.

Ministers	All the members of the congregation		
Senior Pastor	Eunjoo Yi	Chancel Choir/Praise Band Director	Jon Ainsworth
Pastor Emeritus	Judy Owsley	Nursery Supervisor	Tami Hawkins
Quiet Disciple	Mike Wheat	Nursery Caregivers	Chelsea Bosick & Lani Bosick
Office Manager	Marie Nieto	Sensory Room	Melissa James
Bookkeeper	Cheryl James	Facility Manager	John Cox
Bell Choir Director	Priscilla Tracy	Worship Production Team	Rod Rockwell & John Cox

WE ARE LOYAL TO OUR CHURCH BY OUR

PRAYERS: Pam Newman's son, Chad and family in Indonesia; Angie Edwards' brother, Romeo Heyns and his wife Patty; Jack Whitney; Cheryl James' mother, Dorothy; Julia Milner Maxine Rummel, Cerne Rieves' brother Bill; Bill & Cindy Lee; Lillian Bauserman, Lee Helmbrecht, victims of Marshall fire; victims of Corona Virus; protection of all our Central family, our community, our nation, and the Korean Peninsula; First Responders and medical service providers; leaders of government and churches
Serving in mission: Kutela Katembo, Missionary in Angola, Africa

PRESENCE: Sanctuary: 66, Fellowship Hall 3 and Online 14 **Total: 83**

GIFTS:	Feb 6	Jan 30	Jan 23	Jan 16	Jan 9
	\$9,383.00	\$2,697.00	\$2,557.00	\$6,673.00	\$2,995.00

SERVICE: Thank you to the Missions Ministry Team and all who have participated in our mission projects

FEBRUARY MISSION FOCUS: "Bundles of Love" There are families in our neighborhood who send their children and youth to school wearing only the bare minimum of clothing. When money is scarce, sometimes the choice is made to wear outer clothing that can be seen and go without underwear because no one will know. Joyce Rockwell has asked the counselors what we can donate that would be most helpful, and the following list is what they requested:

Mitchell High School needs girls' tights (Sizes Sm. – XXXL), underwear and socks for girls or boys.

Swigert Middle School would appreciate underwear and socks (Sm – L). Teachers at **Wilson Elementary** have requested elastic-waist pants for children (K-3rd grade) to put on if they have an accident at school, along with underwear and socks (K-5th).

It's Valentine's month, and let's share God's love by bringing "Bundles of Love" on **Sunday, February 13**. Put your 'bundles' in the basket at the sanctuary door. If you are not able to shop, you may drop cash or change in the Valentine Box. Joyce Rockwell, Joyce Witt and Kristin Hunt will be happy to do the shopping! Checks can be made to Central, designated "Bundles of Love." **A bundle of love** can be one item or several ... whatever you can afford to give.

Let's celebrate Valentine's Day with Bundles and Bundles of Love!!

Planning Ahead:

Sunday, February 13th, at 11:00 am:	Praise Band practice
Monday, February 14th, at 6 pm:	Trustees Meeting
Tuesday, February 15th, at 9:30 am:	Bible Study
Wednesday, February 16th, at 7 pm:	Bell Choir
Monday, February 21st, at 4:30 pm:	Stewardship Meeting

AN INVITATION TO MEMBERSHIP: If anyone would like to join as a member, please contact Pastor Eunjoo. She will arrange a group meeting or one-on-one sessions for (re)affirmation of faith. We will receive new members on **March 13th**.

HOW MANY CANS CAN A FOOD CART CONTAIN if each can can contain some fruit? A silly tongue twister ... or a serious call for help? The pantry at Mercy's Gate needs **canned fruit**, and other non-perishable food and hygiene items. *Let's see how many cans a cart can contain!!* You may bring donations to the cart in the entry any time during February. Thanks for caring!

SIMON PETER STUDY: An ordinary fisherman, Simon Peter, left everything to follow Jesus. Poor, uneducated, quick-tempered, and full of doubts and fears, Peter was an ordinary guy who heard and followed God's extraordinary call. In this 12-week study, we are expanding our acquaintance with Peter and discovering how his story can enrich our own journey. **It's not too late!!** YOU are invited to join the lively discussion led by Rev. Judy, at church or on Zoom, Tuesday mornings, 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. The book, "Simon Peter" by Adam Hamilton, is available in the church office (\$10). Questions? Contact Rev. Judy, 719-237- 9395, bjowsley@msn.com..

ATTEND CHURCH: Those not vaccinated must still wear masks. Masks are optional for anyone who is fully vaccinated. Everyone must continue to practice social distancing between non-household groups. You are invited to worship in the sanctuary, the fellowship hall, the parking lot or at home by Zoom (on computer or by phone). For parking lot worship, tune to **88.5 FM** on your car radio.

VAN MINISTRY: If you need a ride to church, the van ministry is ready to serve. Just call the office (719-597-6642) **BEFORE NOON** on Fridays. Please do not leave a phone message on Friday afternoon, Saturday or Sunday; no one will be available to hear it. We look forward to seeing you in church.

Missions Ministries are ALIVE at Central United Methodist Church!

January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021

The Missions Ministry Team is happy to report that the members and friends of Central United Methodist Church contributed **\$29,220.24 in special giving** from January 1 through December 31, 2021, which includes support of each month's mission focus and other designated gifts by individuals throughout the year. We also collected food and numerous other items for Mercy's Gate, snack items for La Puente for the day they distributed backpacks, two towers of toilet paper (!) and Christmas gift items for Salvation Army stockings.

Baskets in Fellowship Hall are always available for donations of used printer cartridges for Mercy's Gate, cell phones for TESSA, eyeglasses for Mission Medical Clinic, and "Labels for Education" for McCurdy Ministries in New Mexico.

The People We Help

HELPING OUR COMMUNITY

Mercy's Gate is a cooperative ministry of churches in the northeast area of Colorado Springs. We collect food and hygiene items each month for the pantry, help provide funding for rental **Fall Carnival** is an annual party hosted by the youth and lots of adult volunteers with food, games and a chance for children to wear costumes. The carnival had to be cancelled in 2021 due to the pandemic. Instead, Family Life sponsored "**Drive-By Trunk or Treat**" on Saturday, October 30. Candy was donated by the congregation.

REACHING OUT REGIONALLY

Support for victims of the Marshall Fire near Boulder: Church Council approved sending ***\$1000 each to 3 churches*** whose members were impacted: Lafayette UMC; Mountain View UMC, Boulder; Louisville UMC.

Native Grace Fellowship in Cortez, CO, a Native American congregation was introduced to the people of Central during the month of December, 2020. Our Mission Focus during December was dedicated to Native Grace for the purchase of propane tanks for elderly men and women of the Navajo Nation who could not afford to purchase new tanks as replacement for those that were worn out and no longer serviceable. ***\$195*** was given in 2021, even though we didn't have a specific goal!

Then, in October, we learned of a project that Native Grace is developing to have men in the congregation work with Navajo young adults and make repairs and upgrades to the homes of

elders scattered throughout the reservation. Central found and purchased a 14-foot cargo trailer that is crucial for the success of this project. Contributions totaled ***\$4,052.40***, including a generous donation from the UMW.

La Puente Social Ministries provides emergency assistance and help in all aspects of families becoming self-sufficient. This agency is located in the poorest region of Colorado, the San Luis Valley. We sent ***\$1,941*** in contributions and donated a total of ***1244 snack items*** that were delivered by Bob and Madellen Spaete to be handed out by La Puente staff on the days they distributed school backpacks.

PALS (Positive Activities Lead to Success) is a program of La Puente involving approx. 25 children, ages 5-11 who are struggling with issues that affect their success in school, with family and in the community. Our children's Sunday School offering is being used by PALS staff to help buy supplies and pay for activities. The children contributed ***\$61.34***. SS classes began meeting again on September 12, 2021, but enrollment is much lower than in previous years. An additional ***\$510.00*** has been contributed by other church members.

McCurdy Ministries in Espanola, NM, offers children 4 to 18 "an oasis" of structure, safety, learning and fun for students whose home lives are marked by strife, abuse and poverty. We help financially and collect "Labels for Education" used by McCurdy for purchase of supplies and equipment. This year our monetary gifts were designated for Project Cariño, a free counseling service offered by McCurdy Ministries. A total of ***\$856.50*** was donated.

SUPPORTING GLOBAL MISSIONS

Missionary Support for Kutela Katembo is a covenant relationship that was begun in 2017. We have pledged to send \$1000 per year in support of Kutela's ministry that provides hands-on teaching of sustainable agriculture techniques to young students at the Kessua School in Angola as well as training farmers in the area. Contributions totaled ***\$5,780***.

UMCOR, the United Methodist Committee on Relief, is supported by a special offering one Sunday in March and with contributions for direct aid when disaster strikes anywhere in the U.S. or the world. Contributions totaled ***\$325***.

MEETINGS IN OUR BUILDING

We provide meeting space for the following groups on a regular basis at minimal cost: Nar-Anon (not during COVID but will return eventually), Boy Scout Troop #220, Cub Scout Pack plus district-level Scout groups, TOPS, Embroiders Guild of America, Monday Quilters and Colorado Springs Quilters Guild, Tupperware, The Retired Enlisted Association (women's auxiliaries), Delta Kappa Rho. Groups gradually began returning for meetings in January 2021. Most didn't return until June, and some waited until September.

assistance, transportation and other services. During the last 12 months, a total of 3407 items were donated, including, not only food, but also gloves, hats, toothbrushes, stuffed animals, socks, etc. Monetary contributions totaled **\$2,016**.

The Backpack Project: Once a month during the school year, we fill 56 backpacks (an increase of 6 this year) that are sent home with students of Mitchell High and Swigert Middle School. Laundry soap and hygiene items are included with food. What was begun as a youth group program has now evolved into a mission project involving the entire congregation. **\$5,350** was given for purchase of food, etc. for the backpacks.

“Bundles of Love” is an annual project to provide socks and underwear for students of Mitchell HS, Swigert MS, and Wilson Elementary. This project was postponed until there was a lessening of the challenges to shopping caused by COVID. We are currently collecting again in February 2022.

Mission Medical Clinic is a Colorado Springs clinic staffed by volunteer professionals who provide dental, medical and optical care for low-income residents. **\$2,348** was given to support this organization.

Sensory Room for Children is located in our building, directed by a licensed therapist and staffed by volunteers. Children with emotional and/or learning challenges have a bright, friendly, well-equipped place to decompress when needs arise during Sunday School and church.

Christmas Stockings donated to the Salvation Army are a long-standing tradition at Central. In 2021, we filled 50 stockings. It was heartwarming to be able to do this again after not filling stockings in 2020, due to COVID.

WELCOMING OUR NEIGHBORS

Summer Block Party, held in the church parking lot, is a day full of free food, clothes, books and toys, music and fun, along with the opportunity for neighbors to talk with representatives from many community organizations. It was not possible to hold the Block Party this year due to the COVID 19 pandemic. The Block Party is a project of the Re-Think committee.

Interfaith Hospitality Network is a program of Family Promise, in which we host homeless families for a week 2 or 3 times per year. We provide private sleeping rooms and three meals a day at no cost to our guests. 15-20 volunteers are needed each week. In-church hosting was halted by the pandemic, and IHN families are living in the Day House of Family Promise downtown. Volunteers delivered meals to the Day House during the weeks of November 22-28, 2020, March 28 – April 3, October 31 – November 6, 2021. **\$3,570** was received for Family Promise/IHN.