

**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, October 23, 2022, 10:00 am**



**A WONDER-FULL LIFE:**

Looking at Money and Meaning

“I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.” — John 10:10b

*As we open our eyes and begin to move away from any uncomfortableness regarding our feelings about money, the candles we have lit remind us that God is with us on this journey, giving us fresh perspectives that can shift any “dis-ease” that holds us back from a courageous vision about our spending and giving. May we have compassion for ourselves and each other because the systems of money we live in are not easy to navigate.*

PRELUDE “When In Our Music God is Glorified” arr. Hayes Jo Jackson

CHORAL INTROIT Chancel Choir

WELCOME Rev. Judy Owsley

CHURCH OPPORTUNITIES Cynthia Pechacek

HYMN “Be Thou My Vision” UMH #451 vs. 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.

\*CALL TO WORSHIP Cynthia Pechacek

Leader: Our altar candles glow to affirm that where there is light,

**People: there is understanding.**

Leader: Where there is understanding,

**People: there is compassion.**

Leader: Where there is compassion,

**People: there is possibility**

Leader: Where there is possibility,

**People: there is transformation.**

Leader: Holy and Living God, transform our fears into awe-inspired wonder

**All: Open us to the light, and to the rich possibilities that it brings us for a “wonder-full” life.**

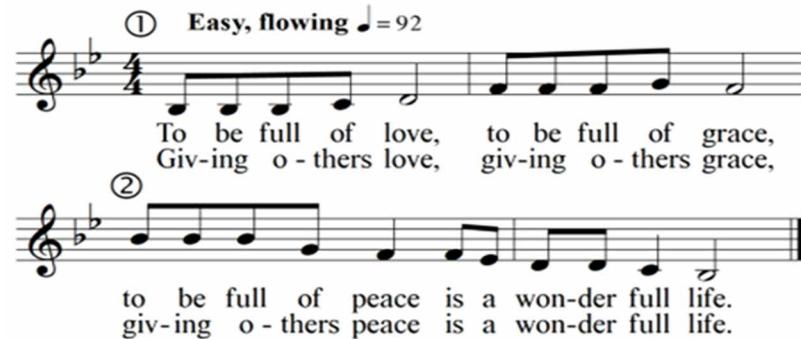
\*HYMN “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” UMH #400

CHILDREN’S TIME OF WONDER Elyse Brunnermer

# A Wonder Full Life

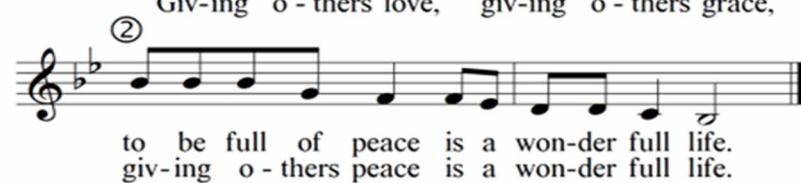
Two-part round

① Easy, flowing ♩ = 92



To be full of love, to be full of grace,  
Giv-ing o - thers love, giv-ing o - thers grace,

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to be full of peace is a won-der full life.  
giv-ing o - thers peace is a won-der full life.

SONG "A Wonder-Full Life" Led by Chancel Choir

PRAYER CONCERNS Rev. Judy

PRAYER HYMN "Be Thou My Vision" UMH #451 vs. 2

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true Word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

OUR PRAYERS Rev. Judy

## 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.**

CHORAL AMEN Chancel Choir

PREPARING FOR SCRIPTURE MESSAGE Cynthia Pechacek

SCRIPTURE Matthew 6:19-24 (CEB) Reader: Cynthia Pechacek

**Earthly and heavenly treasures** "Stop collecting treasures for your own benefit on earth, where moth and rust eat them and where thieves break in and steal them. Instead, collect treasures for yourselves in heaven, where moth and rust don't eat them and where thieves don't break in and steal them. Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

**Seeing and serving** "The eye is the lamp of the body. Therefore, if your eye is healthy, your whole body will be full of light. But if your eye is bad, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light in you is darkness, how terrible that darkness will be! No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be loyal to the one and have contempt for the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.

MEDITATION "Looking In" Rev. Judy

## OFFERING OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

Endowments Lee Scheierman

Offertory "Savior, Like A Shepherd Lead Us" Jo Jackson

\*Doxology "Be Thou My Vision" UMH, #451 vs. 3

Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise; Thou mine inheritance, now and always;  
Thou and thou only, first in my heart, great God of Heaven, my treasure thou art.

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving Rev. Judy

\*HYMN "Take My Life" UMH #399

\*BENEDICTION Rev. Judy

CHORAL BLESSING Chancel Choir

POSTLUDE "Immortal, Invisible" Trad. Welsh Melody Jo Jackson

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

\*Standing for those who are able



## WELCOME TO CENTRAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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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.

## WE ARE LOYAL TO OUR CHURCH BY OUR

**PRAYERS:** Billie Owings; Karen Hobson's mother, Mary; Leo Curly; Angie and Bob Edwards' grandson; Angie Edward's great niece, Alyssia Roberts; The people and communities affected by Hurricane Ian; the people of Ukraine, our "WAVES," our community and our nation, first responders, the military, medical service providers, leaders of government and churches.

**Serving in mission:** Kutela Katembo, Missionary in Angola, Africa

**PRESENCE:** Worship 67, Fellowship Hall 3, Nursery 3, Online 9, **Total: 82**

<b>GIFTS:</b>	Oct 16	Oct 9	Oct 2	Sept 25	Sept 18
	\$3,104.00	\$5,824.00	\$3,769.00	\$3,984.00	\$1,450.00

**SERVICE:** Thank you to everyone who brought supplies for our Fall Carnival.

### CHURCH OPPORTUNITIES

**OCTOBER MISSION FOCUS: New Life for IHN!** Central is one of over thirty churches who support IHN, and we have been a leading participant since IHN began in Colorado Springs 25 years ago. Central will be welcoming families during the week of November 27th to December 4th. We can help make by our financial support of Family Promise, the umbrella organization that includes IHN. There is great "promise" in the future of Family Promise as they continue to provide 'a home' and steps toward recovery for families who are struggling. If you're able, please consider a gift to Family Promise by check (payable to CUMC and designated for FP/IHN) or by dropping coins or cash in the little house at the entrance of the sanctuary.

**FALL CARNIVAL:** Don't miss the fun on Saturday, October 29, from 5-7 pm. Donated supplies are due no later than TOMORROW! ... Leave them on the table at south entrance. Thanks!

**HELP FOR HURRICANE VICTIMS:** The United Methodist Committee on Relief is on the ground with relief for victims in Florida and Puerto Rico. Giving thru UMCOR guarantees that 100% of your contribution will be used in those locations. Please make check payable to CUMC, designated "UMCOR."

**SIGN-UPS FOR IHN HOSTING:** We're starting early to plan for hosting homeless families in our church for a week, November 27-December 4. There are sheets on a table in Fellowship Hall to review as you decide how you can help. Questions? Contact Pat Dudgeon (951) 255-5538 patdudgeon84@gmail.com

**THE UPPER ROOM** New Nov – Dec 2022 are available at the entryway on the literature rack.

HYMN

"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

UMH #400

1. Come, thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;  
streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.  
Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above.  
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of thy redeeming love.
2. Here I raise mine Ebenezer; hither by thy help I'm come;  
and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.  
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God;  
he, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.
3. O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be!  
Let thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee.  
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;  
here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above.

HYMN

"Take My Life"

UMH #399

1. Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee.  
Take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise.  
Take my hands, and let them move at the impulse of thy love.  
Take my feet, and let them be swift and beautiful for thee.
2. Take my voice, and let me sing always, only, for my King.  
Take my lips, and let them be filled with messages from thee.  
Take my silver and my gold; not a mite would I withhold.  
Take my intellect, and use every power as thou shalt choose.
3. Take my will, and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.  
Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne.  
Take my love, my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure-store.  
Take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.