

**Central United Methodist Church
of Colorado Springs**

“A Place to Begin...Belong...Become”

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

Sunday, September 5, 2021

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Central United Methodist Church

PRELUDE “Panis Angelicus” (Bread of Heaven) by Franck

Piano/Organ Duet
Kim Crom/Jo Jackson

WELCOME

Pastor Eunjoo Yi

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Eunjoo

Leader: Ever-present God, stir in our hearts a holy expectancy

People: **So that we will be ready and open to hear your voice.**

Leader: May our spirit be open to the calling of your Spirit,

People: **That in listening for you we might hear you,**

Leader: That in waiting for you we might meet you,

All: ***That in meeting you we might follow you. Amen.***

*HYMN

“God of Grace and God of Glory”

Hymnal, No. 577

1. God of grace, and God of glory, on thy people pour thy power;
crown thine ancient church’s story; bring her bud to glorious flower.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the facing of this hour, for the facing of this hour.
2. Lo! the hosts of evil round us scorn thy Christ, assail his ways!
Fear and doubts too long have bound us; free our hearts to work and praise.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, for the living of these days, for the living of these days.
3. Cure thy children’s warring madness, bend our pride to thy control;
shame our wanton, selfish gladness, rich in things and poor in soul.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, lest we miss thy kingdom’s goal, lest we miss thy
kingdom’s goal.
4. Save us from weak resignation to the evils we deplore;
let the search for thy salvation be our glory evermore.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, serving thee whom we adore,
serving thee whom we adore.

CHURCH OPPORTUNITIES

Rev. Judy Owsley

*HYMN

“We Are the Church”

Hymnal, No. 558 (v. 1)

Refrain

I am the church! You are the church! We are the church together!

All who follow Jesus, all around the world! Yes, we’re the church together!



1. The church is not a building, the church is not a steeple, the church is not a resting place, the church is a people.

Refrain

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

Pastor Eunjoo

PRAYER CONCERNS

Rev. Judy

PRAYER HYMN

“Surely the Presence of the Lord”

Hymnal, No. 328

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place;
I can feel his mighty power and his grace.
I can hear the brush of angels’ wings,
I see glory on each face;
surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

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.

OFFERING OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

Offertory “Take My Life / Sanctuary” Arr. Tornquist Jo Jackson

*Doxology “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” Hymnal, No. 95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below
praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Blessing the Offering Rev. Judy

SCRIPTURE

Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, 17 & James 2:1-10, 14-17 (NIV)

Rev. Judy

Proverbs 22:1, 2 “A good name is more desirable than great riches; to be esteemed is better than silver or gold. Rich and poor have this in common: The Lord is the Maker of them all.” **Vs. 8, 9** “Whoever sows injustice reaps calamity, and the rod they wield in fury will be broken. The generous will themselves be blessed, for they share their food with the poor.” **Vs. 17** “Pay attention and turn your ear to the sayings of the wise; apply your heart to what I teach,”

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James 2:1-10 My brothers and sisters, believers in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ must not show favoritism. Suppose a man comes into your meeting wearing a gold ring and fine clothes, and a poor man in filthy old clothes also comes in. If you show special attention to the man wearing fine clothes and say, “Here’s a good seat for you,” but say to the poor man, “You stand there” or “Sit on the floor by my feet,” have you not discriminated among yourselves and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my dear brothers and sisters: Has not God chosen those who are poor in the eyes of the world to be rich in faith and to inherit the kingdom he promised those who love him? But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who are exploiting you? Are they not the ones who are dragging you into court? Are they not the ones who are blaspheming the noble name of him to whom you belong? If you really keep the royal law found in Scripture, “Love your neighbor as yourself,” you are doing right. But if you show favoritism, you sin and are convicted by the law as lawbreakers. For whoever keeps the whole law and yet stumbles at just one point is guilty of breaking all of it.”

Vs. 14-17 What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if someone claims to have faith but has no deeds? Can such faith save them? Suppose a brother or a sister is without clothes and daily food. If one of you says to them, “Go in peace; keep warm and well fed,” but does nothing about their physical needs, what good is it? In the same way, faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead.

MESSAGE

“Let’s See”

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!

COMMUNION

Servers: Pastor Eunjoo & Jim Downs; Rev. Judy & Sue Downs

*HYMN

“You Are the Seed”

Hymnal, No. 583 (vv. 1 & 2)

1. You are the seed that will grow a new sprout;
you're a star that will shine in the night;
you are the yeast and a small grain of salt,
a beacon to glow in the dark.
You are the dawn that will bring a new day;
you're the wheat that will bear golden grain;
you are a sting and a soft,
gentle touch, my witnesses where'er you go.
2. You are the flame that will lighten the dark,
Sending sparkles of hope, faith, and love;
you are the shepherds to lead the whole world
through valleys and pastures of peace.
You are the friends that I chose for myself,
the word that I want to proclaim.
You are the new kingdom built on a rock
where justice and truth always reign.

Refrain

Go, my friends, go to the world, proclaiming love to all,
messengers of my forgiving peace, eternal love.
Be, my friends, a loyal witness, from the dead I arose;
“Lo, I'll be with you forever, till the end of the world.”

*BENEDICTION

Rev. Judy

POSTLUDE

“America” Arr. Berry

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

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Pastor Eunjoo Yi & Rev. Judy Owsley

Welcome & Invitation

Leader: Come, the meal is prepared. Christ calls us to gather in fellowship with one another at his holy table.

People: We open our hearts and spirits to the joy of this sacred ritual, provided for us by Jesus: a ritual of remembrance and thanksgiving.

Leader: Blessed are you, O God, who through your Word and Holy Spirit created all things and called them good.

It is in you that we live and move and have our being.

In Jesus Christ your Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth.

By his teaching and model, we are called to accept and honor all of your children, welcoming everyone to the table of life.

And so, with dedication and commitment, we praise your name, joining the unending chorus singing:

People: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Leader: Holy are you, O God, and blessed is Jesus Christ, who called you Abba, Father.

As a mother tenderly gathers her children, you embraced all people as your own and filled them with a longing for a peace that would last and for a justice that would never fail.

In Jesus' suffering and death you took upon yourself our sin and death and destroyed their power forever.

You raised from the dead this same Jesus, who now reigns with you in glory, and poured upon us your Holy Spirit, making us the people of your new covenant.

Consecration of bread and cup

Pastor Eunjoo

Leader:and so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a whole and living sacrifice, in union with Christ’s offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

People: Christ has died; Christ has risen; Christ will come again.

Leader: *Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts, that in the breaking of this bread and the drinking of this cup, we may know the presence of the living Christ and be renewed as the body of Christ for the world. Amen*

(As the Pastors and Jim and Sue Downs serve those who are in the sanctuary and those in the Fellowship Hall, please prepare your bread and juice at home. Please wait until all have been served.)

(When everyone is served, we will partake together at Pastor Eunjoo’s guidance.)

Prayer following communion:

All: *As the grain and grapes were once dispersed in the fields and have been united for this meal in bread and juice, so may we and all people be gathered from every time and place into the unity of your eternal household to feast at your banquet of life in harmony and grace.*

May we carry with us from this table a renewed commitment of justice and love for all.

Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and forever. Amen.



**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
Senior Pastor
Pastor Emeritus
Quiet Disciple
Office Manager
Bookkeeper
Chancel Choir Director
Nursery Supervisor
Nursery Caregivers
Sensory Room
Facility Manager

All the members of the congregation
Eunjoo Yi
Judy Owsley
Mike Wheat
Marie Nieto
Cheryl James
Jon Ainsworth
Tami Hawkins
Chelsea Bosick & Lani Bosick
Melissa James
John Cox

WE ARE LOYAL TO OUR CHURCH BY OUR

PRAYERS: Afghanistan; Mike Wheat's granddaughter, Ken and Patsy Williams' two sons-in-law, Mark and Rick; Kathleen Buckley, Angie Edwards's brother Romeo; Pam Newman's son Dwight; Joe Tanner's sister Betty; Ann Clark's son David; 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: 71, and Online 18 : **Total: 89**

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| GIFTS: | August 29 | August 22 | August 15 | August 8 | August 1 |
| | \$ 2,025.01 | \$ 5,241.00 | \$1,602.00 | \$5,868.25 | \$4,865.00 |

SERVICE: Thank you to Pat Dudgeon and Family Life team and volunteers for making Celebration Sunday a success.

SEPTEMBER MISSION FOCUS: Go Walk or Not to Walk!

That is your Choice! Our **September Mission Focus** is the Annual Family Promise Walk.

Last year in September 2021, the walk was a virtual event due to COVID. Participants were encouraged to walk on their own and make a donation to Family Promise/IHN.

There was a prize for the church that raised the most money, and **Central was the winner!!!**

Can we do it again? This year, on **Sunday afternoon, October 3**, there will be an actual walk in the downtown area. **BUT!!** You can choose to walk or not to walk. That is your choice. You can join the group who will meet at church and go downtown together, or you can be at home, cheering them on! Whatever you decide, you are invited to support Family Promise with a contribution on any Sunday in September. Please write your check to Central UMC, designated FP Walk. You'll be helping Central to be the big winner again, and MOST IMPORTANT, you'll be helping **families with children** who are facing homelessness.

Fresh and Clean For School or Work! The pantry at Mercy's Gate is requesting donations of toiletries, such as shampoo, deodorant, shaving foam, razors, tooth paste and tooth brushes, soaps and feminine hygiene products. These are items not covered by food stamps. They also need diapers and wipes. **Please bring donations of hygiene items or non-perishable food to the cart** in the entry on Food Sunday or anytime during September.

Planning Ahead:

Monday, September 6th:

Sunday, September 12th:

Monday, September 13th, at 6 pm:

Tuesday, September 14th, at 9:30 am:

Tuesday, September 14th, at 7 pm:

Tuesday, September 21th, at 7 pm:

Office Closed for Labor Day

Picture Day

Trustee Meeting

Rev. Judy Bible Study begins in person/Zoom

Finance Meeting

Ad Council Meeting

A GREAT NEW PHOTO DIRECTORY is coming soon at no cost to you! Pictures will be taken on **Sundays, September 12, 19 and 26**, 9:00 – 9:45 and 11:00 – 12:30. Just stop by Fellowship Hall at a time convenient for you (no appointment needed). You'll be able to update your personal information for the church at the same time. The directory is being produced by our church, rather than a professional company. There will not be photos for sale. Every family will receive a free directory as soon as they are ready. Questions? Contact Cheryl James at 719-651-3991, or call the office, 719-597-6642.

SUBMITTING A PHOTO FOR THE DIRECTORY can easily be done by emailing to office@cumccs.org or mailing your picture to the church. If you know someone who is not able to have their photo taken on Sunday morning, please help them to submit a photo. They will receive a form to update their personal information. If you choose, the photographer will be happy to come and take your photo in your home. Call the office for information. We want EVERY person's face in our new directory!!

"A Hop, Skip and a Jump thru the Bible!" On **Tuesday, September 14th**, you are invited to join a fun group of people to begin a 13-week journey through the Bible. In the book titled "A Hope, Skip and a Jump thru the Bible," popular author J. Ellsworth Kalas presents the grand story of the Bible. Writing in his engaging, narrative style, Kalas will show how there is an overarching plot that binds all of the varied writings of the Bible together. This would be the perfect time to try a Bible study! We'll be meeting both in-person and on Zoom **at 9:30 on Tuesday mornings** in the **Assembly Room**. Class is guided by Rev. Judy. Books (\$9) are available in the office or at the first class.

The Upper Room for September-October 2021. Copies are available at the entryway on Sunday, or you may pick one up during office hours. If you need one delivered, please call the office.

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.