

Central United Methodist Church  
of Colorado Springs

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

THE CENTRAL FAMILY OF FAITH  
GATHERED IN PRAISE AND CELEBRATION

Sunday, November 14, 2021  
Stewardship Sunday



Stewardship  
a way of life

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PRELUDE	"All Hail the Power of Jesus Name" by Hayes	Jo Jackson
WELCOME		Pastor Eunjoo Yi
*CALL TO WORSHIP		Pastor Eunjoo
Leader:	We have been blessed by the Eternal God, who has been faithful to us.	
People:	<b>As thankful stewards, we will remain faithful to God.</b>	
Leader:	The mystery that has been hidden through the ages...is Christ in you, the hope of glory.	
People:	<b>As redeemed stewards, we will remain faithful to Christ.</b>	
Leader:	God has empowered us with the Holy Spirit to be our Comforter and Guide, our unfailing source of strength.	
People:	<b>As Spirit-filled stewards, we will remain faithful to Christ.</b>	
Leader:	Let us give thanks to our God of blessings and affirm our commitment to the ministry God is calling us into.	
All:	<b>Let us give thanks to God!</b> <b>Let us proclaim our faith in God!</b> <b>Let us worship God!</b>	
* HYMN	"We Are the Church"	Hymnal, No. 558 (vv. 1, 2 & 4)
	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.	
	2. We're many kinds of people, with many kinds of faces, all colors and all ages, too, from all times and places.	
	4. And when the people gather, there's singing and there's praying, there's laughing and there's crying sometimes, all of it saying:	
	<i>Refrain</i> 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!	
CHURCH OPPORTUNITIES		Pastor Eunjoo
SPECIAL MUSIC	"Just a little talk with Jesus"	Spirit Singers
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE		Bob Spaete
STEWARDSHIP MINUTE		Bob Rummel/Stewardship Committee Chair

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 Acts 2:42-47 (NIV) Reader: Bob Spaete

“They devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. All the believers were together and had everything in common. They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need. Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.”

MESSAGE “Uncommon Community” Rev. Tezenlo Thong

HYMN “I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord” Hymnal, No. 540

1. I love thy kingdom, Lord, the house of thine abode,  
the church our blest Redeemer saved with his own precious blood.
2. I love thy church, O God! Her walls before thee stand  
dear as the apple of thine eye, and graven on thy hand.
3. For her my tears shall fall, for her my prayers ascend,  
to her my cares and toils be given, till toils and cares shall end.
4. Beyond my highest joy I prize her heavenly ways,  
her sweet communion, solemn vows, her hymns of love and praise.
5. Sure as thy truth shall last, to Zion shall be given  
the brightest glories earth can yield, and brighter bliss of heaven.

OFFERING OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

Offertory “This is My Song” by Hayes Jo Jackson

\*Doxology “Alleluia” Hymnal, No. 186  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

\*Blessing the Offering Pastor Eunjoo

\*HYMN “The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve” TFWS No. 2241 (vv. 1, 3 & 4)

1. The Spirit sends us forth to serve; we go in Jesus’ name to bring glad tidings to the poor, God’s favor to proclaim.
3. We go to be the hands of Christ, to scatter joy like seed and, all our days, to cherish life, to do the loving deed.
4. Then let us go to serve in peace, the gospel to proclaim. God’s Spirit has empowered us; we go in Jesus’ name.

\*BENEDICTION Rev. Tezenlo Thong

POSTLUDE “Holy God, We Praise Thy Name” 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



**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.

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

## WE ARE LOYAL TO OUR CHURCH BY OUR

**PRAYERS:** Mary Mills, Rose Simon; Ernie and Janet Dunbar's nephew, Cory Wood (Covid); Pat Dudgeon's granddaughters, Saige and Sienna; Kathleen Buckley's family; Joe Tanner; 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: 73, Fellowship Hall 3, and Online: 11 **Total: 87**

<b>GIFTS:</b>	Nov 7	Oct 31	Oct 24	Oct 17	Oct 10
	\$8,100.00	\$2,179.00	\$5,011.00	\$2054.50	\$4,615.00

**SERVICE:** Thank you to Pat Dudgeon and everyone who assisted with the Trunk or Treat to bring smiles to many children! Also, thank you to all who donated candy!

**NOVEMBER MISSION FOCUS: Our Gifts for Thankfulness** Most of us at Central are able to share with others, and we are thankful for that. Whether we're sharing our time, our presence, or gifts of money or groceries, we are blessed to be a blessing to someone else. We're thankful, and the families we will help this Thanksgiving will be very thankful. It's a double blessing!

Each of us is invited to share 'a gift for thankfulness' by donating food or **gift cards** for Mercy's Gate during the month of November. Please bring donations of non-perishable food items to the cart at south entrance. Grocery gift cards can be placed in the offering (Please indicate the amount on each card.). You may also give a check made payable to Central UMC and designated for "Mercy's Gate." This will support the many ministries of Mercy's Gate in addition to the Food Pantry. **Thanks for your giving!**

**Bring a Turkey to Church! November 21st !!** We all love Thanksgiving with a sumptuous meal. BUT there is a family in our community who will have turkey ONLY if **you** bring a turkey to church on November 21. Your turkey will help Mercy's Gate provide 200 or more Thanksgiving food boxes.

That's a lot of turkeys, and your turkey will be gratefully welcomed at the table!

You are encouraged to purchase a **frozen turkey** (or 2 or 3!) and bring it with you on **Sunday, November 21st**. Our Missions Ministry Team will keep the turkeys cold and deliver them to Mercy's Gate for distribution. You may also bring **non-perishable food items** on any Sunday or weekday in November. Let's share God's love and bring special joy on Thanksgiving Day.

## Planning Ahead:

Today, at 1 pm:  
Tuesday, November 16<sup>th</sup>, at 7 pm:  
Thursday, November 25<sup>th</sup>:  
Friday, November 26<sup>th</sup>:  
Sunday, November 28<sup>th</sup>:

Charge Conference  
Ad Council Meeting  
Thanksgiving: Office will be closed  
Office will be closed  
First Sunday of Advent

**CHARGE CONFERENCE:** The annual Charge Conference for Central UMC will be **TODAY, at 1:00 pm** at the church. This is always a great meeting when we celebrate the past year and look forward to our future.

**THANKSGIVING GIFT CARDS:** Thanksgiving Dinner should be special, and we can help it be true for the families who come to Mercy's Gate in November. Normally each family receives whatever grocery items have been donated by churches and other agencies. Think how appreciative they would be (especially at Thanksgiving) of having an opportunity to shop for particular foods that they most enjoy. **WE can make that happen by donating grocery store gift cards this month.** You are invited to purchase a gift card (*Please write the amount on the card.*) and put it in the offering plate or leave it in the office. Thanks for your giving!

**SALVATION ARMY STOCKINGS: FIFTY empty Christmas stockings** are available on a table by the south entrance. This is a long-standing tradition at Central: filling stockings for the Salvation Army to hand out to underprivileged youth. Again, this year, we've been asked to fill stockings **for teens, ages 13-18**, because that is the greatest need. There are lists of suggestions on the table with the stockings. Please pick up a stocking (or two or three), and return it **no later than Sunday, December 5th**. If you have questions, contact Bob Spaete (719-332-4790 / bspaete.bs@gmail.com). Some teenager will be smiling broadly on Christmas because you filled a stocking with special gifts. And that stocking may be their only gift this year. Bless you!

**CLASS LOCATIONS FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL:** Children (K-5th grade) will meet in the Assembly Room. Youth in the youth room; Karen Hobson's class in Classrooms 1 and 2 in Fellowship Hall; Pastor Eunjoo's class in the Conference Room. Classes begin at 11:15.

**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. To get a ride call the church office (719) 597-6642 **Before Noon on Fridays**. No one will be available to hear Saturday and Sunday Messages. We look forward to seeing you in church.