

**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 26, 2021



To those who wish to worship in the parking lot, please come to the front door and let us know you are in the parking lot and we will hand you a bulletin. Also, please bring your offering and food donations to the door.

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PRELUDE

"Here I Am to Worship" arrg. M. Hayes

Kim Crom

WELCOME

Pastor Eunjoo Yi

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Elyse Brunner

Leader: Sometimes we wonder how we have gotten through some difficult situations.

People: **God has been with us, lifting and comforting our spirits.**

Leader: We struggle and worry.

People: **God's loving presence sustains and strengthens us.**

Leader: Listen for God's call to you.

All: **Lord, we are listening and seeking your guidance.**

* HYMN

"Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones"

Hymnal, No. 90 (vv. 1, 3 & 4)

1. Ye watchers and ye holy ones, bright seraphs, cherubim, and thrones, raise the glad strain, Alleluia!
Cry out, dominions, principedoms, powers, virtues, archangels, angels' choirs:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
3. Respond, ye souls in endless rest, ye patriarchs and prophets blest, Alleluia! Alleluia!
Ye holy twelve, ye martyrs strong, all saints triumphant, raise the song:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
4. O friends, in gladness let us sing, supernal anthems echoing, Alleluia! Alleluia!
To God the Father, God the Son, and God the Spirit, Three in One:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

CHURCH OPPORTUNITIES

Elyse Brunner

SPECIAL MUSIC

"A Praise Song Medley: I Love You, Lord; All Hail King Jesus; He Is Exalted; Jesus, Name above All Names"

Spirit Singers

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Elyse Brunner

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 124 (NIV) Reader: Elyse Brunner

“If the Lord had not been on our side— let Israel say— if the Lord had not been on our side when people attacked us, they would have swallowed us alive when their anger flared against us; the flood would have engulfed us, the torrent would have swept over us, the raging waters would have swept us away. Praise be to the Lord, who has not let us be torn by their teeth. We have escaped like a bird from the fowler’s snare; the snare has been broken, and we have escaped. Our help is in the name of the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth.”

MESSAGE “If It Had Not Been....” Pastor Eunjoo

HYMN “God Will Take Care of You” Hymnal, No. 130

1. Be not dismayed, whate’er betide, God will take care of you; beneath his wings of love abide; God will take care of you.
2. Through days of toil when heart doth fail, God will take care of you; when dangers fierce your path assail, God will take care of you.
3. All you may need he will provide, God will take care of you; nothing you ask will be denied, God will take care of you.
4. No matter what may be the test, God will take care of you; lean, weary one, upon his breast, God will take care of you.

Refrain

God will take care of you, through every day, o’er all the way;
he will take care of you, God will take care of you.

OFFERING OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

Offertory “Jesus Loves Me” arrg. R. Vandall (4 hands on the piano) Kim Crom

*Doxology “Alleluia” Hymnal, No. 186

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

*Blessing the Offering Pastor Eunjoo

*HYMN “Let My People Seek Their Freedom” Hymnal No. 586 (vv. 1, 2 & 4)

1. “Let my people seek their freedom in the wilderness awhile, from the slave pens of the Delta, from the ghettos on the Nile”: so God spoke from out of Sinai, so God spoke and it was done, and a people crossed the waters toward the rising of the sun.
2. “Let my people seek their freedom in the wilderness awhile, from the aging shrines and structures, from the cloister and the aisle”: so the Son of God has spoken, and the storm clouds are unfurled, for God’s people must be scattered to be servants in the world.
4. In the maelstrom of the nations, in the journeying into space, in the clash of generations, in the hungering for grace, in our agony and glory, we are called to newer ways by the Lord of our tomorrows and the God of earth’s todays.

*BENEDICTION Pastor Eunjoo

SPECIAL PRAYER for Josephine Yacoub’s and Family in memory of her sister Rita Yacoub

POSTLUDE “Largo in G” G. F. Handel Kim Crom

(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
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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: Lee Helmbrecht, Cerne Rieves, Josephine Yacoub and Family; Ken and Patsy Williams' son-in-law, Mark; Kathleen Buckley, Joe Tanner's sister Betty; 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: 64, and Online 11: **Total: 75**

GIFTS: Sept 19 Sept 12 Sept 5 August 29 August 22
\$2,433.00 \$3,136.00 \$8,256.00 \$ 2,025.01 \$ 5,241.00

SERVICE: Thank you to Joyce Rockwell, Lee Scheierman and Diane Black who made the wedding shower lovely.

SEPTEMBER MISSION FOCUS: To 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.

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.

Planning Ahead:

Sunday, September 26th:

Tuesday, September 28th, at 9:30 am:

Sunday, October 3rd:

Thursday, October 7th, at 10 am:

Sunday, November 14th, at 1 pm:

Picture Day

Bible Study in Assembly Room and on Zoom

World Communion Sunday

Naomi Circle

Charge Conference

CLASS LOCATIONS FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL: Some changes since last Sunday: 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.

LET'S WALK TO RELIEVE HOMELESSNESS! The annual Family Promise Walk on Sunday, October 3rd, will begin at 1:00 from Grace/St. Stephen's Episcopal Church on Tejon Street downtown. Come join us for an easy stroll through nearby streets with frequent stops to learn about the various programs of Family Promise. We'll meet at Central at 12:30 (or eat sack lunch together after Sunday School) to go downtown together. Talk with Rev. Judy to let us know you'll be walking with us!

A GREAT NEW PHOTO DIRECTORY is coming soon at no cost to you! Pictures will be taken **today at** 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** you are invited to join a fun group of people to begin a 13-week journey through the Bible. In the book titled "A Hop, 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 this Tuesday morning** in the **Assembly Room**. Class is guided by Rev. Judy. Books (\$9) are available in the office or at the first class.

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.