

## Worship and Celebration

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September 13, 2009

*“We renew our commitment to become faithful witnesses to the gospel, not alone to the ends of earth, but also to the depths of our common life and work.”*  
—from the Preamble, *The United Methodist Social Principles*

**Prelude** 9:30 *This is My Country* arr. Currier  
Morning Bells, Marion Burnham, director

### Call to Worship

One: We are called this day:

**People: Called to worship with our lives,  
called to act with courage in our days,  
called to follow the anointed one toward wholeness.**

One: We are called this day:

**People: Called to bring good news to the poor,  
called to proclaim release to the captives,  
and let the oppressed go free.**

**\*Opening Hymn** *Come Christians, Join to Sing* #158

### Welcome / Community Focus

*During Community Focus please sign the fellowship book in the pew,  
pass it down your row and back so we can get to know one another.*

**Baptism** of Sydney Anabelle Cessna;

parents, Christopher & Kelli Cessna

**Congregational Response:** (Kahlil Gibran)

Leader: Your children are not your children. They are the sons and daughters of Life's longing for itself. They come through you but not from you. And though they are with you yet they belong not to you.

**People: There is nothing more important than the children of the world. Children are God's affirmation of the future; they enliven our present and bring the promise of tomorrow. May something of our lives be a positive influence upon this child. May we provide a place where she may learn that life can be trusted. May we support her family in their journey toward wholeness, and may our church be a safe and creative environment for all children.**

### Children's Time

*Children are invited forward for a special time for them.*

*They will be led to their classrooms for Sunday School following Children's Time.*

**Special Music** *Let There Be Peace* arr. Dobrinski  
Morning Bells, Marion Burnham, director

### Choral Invitation to Prayer

**Congregational Prayer** The Prayer of St. Francis #481

**Silent Prayer, Pastoral Prayer, The Lord's Prayer**

**\*Hymn** *We Need a Faith* #2181

### Invitation to Offering

**The Offertory** *Theme* from Exodus Ernest Gold  
Carolyn Cline and Dianne Cuadrado, piano duet

**\*Doxology** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* #94

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!  
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power up-lifts!  
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

### \*Offertory Prayer

**Special Music** 9:30 *Pilgrim's Song*  
Chancel Choir; Nicole Stegink, solo;  
Susan Hawkins and Vickie Rishel, duet

**Scripture Reading:** Luke 9: 14-21

**Reflection** “And Justice for All” Rev. V. Oden

**\*Hymn** *Where Charity and Love Prevail* verses 1,3,4,6 #549

**\*Benediction** A Companion Litany to Our Social Creed

**\*Response** *May You Run and Not Be Weary* #2281

**Postlude** *There's a Wilderness in God's Mercy* arr. Young

\*Please stand as you choose and are able.

**Assisting in Worship:** Mary Ann Wisheart, Jana Tompkins,  
Sydney Vogel, Carolyn Cline, Debbie Willeford,  
Serena Klein, Randy Penn

**Co-Pastors:** Rev. Valerie Oden and Rev. Rusty Butler

**Acolytes:** 9:30 Sabrina Bean and Anne Schwertfeger

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If you are new to the community or this church, **WELCOME**. Please sign the fellowship book so we can send you a copy of our newsletter, *The Circuit Rider*. Stop by the Welcome Center in the narthex to pick up brochures describing the programs and activities AUMC offers and a copy of our newsletter.

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### Next Sunday's Special Music:

**7:45** Good Morning Choir

**9:30** Serene Klein, violin; *Inscription of Hope*, Chancel Choir

## AUMC Opportunities

**Children's Choir TODAY:** The day has finally arrived. With great anticipation and excitement, a new group of Kid's Choir members will gather in the choir room at 10:35 to celebrate the first rehearsal of the new season. Some have Children's Choir experience; some are just 65 minutes away from experience. Either way, all are welcome and invited to gather....parents as well. We'll finish at 11:30. See you there.

### Assist Running the Audio and Video for the 9:30 Service

We are in need of some assistance running the Audio and Video for the 9:30 service. Full training is provided and you only need to do it one Sunday per month. Please let Kent Smiley know at [ksmiley@hotmail.com](mailto:ksmiley@hotmail.com) or 303 456 5418.

### Who are we as United Methodists and where do we stand?

Sunday Talk Back: September 13, 20 and 27, join Rusty and Valerie in the Chapel from 10:45 to 11:15 to discuss the 3 week sermon series on the United Methodists Social Principles. Copies of the Social Principles are available through the church office.

**The Women's Spiritual Journey** fall session begins on Wednesday, Sept. 16 at 7:00 p.m. Using the book, *Open The Door: A journey to the True Self* by Joyce Rupp, this six week study will provide spiritual renewal for women across generations. To order books or request more information please contact Sharon McCormick at 303-422-0932 or [sharmac1@msn.com](mailto:sharmac1@msn.com).

### Denver Urban Ministries (DenUM) Game of Life

Sign up today in the Center to join us on Sunday, September 20, as Caroline Schultz, Urban Education Coordinator with Denver Urban Ministries (DenUM), leads us in the “Game of Life.” This is a great interactive experience that allows us to learn more about the clientele that DenUM serves by experiencing life in their shoes. A light lunch will be served at 11:30 with a voluntary donation going to DenUM and the game will begin at noon. For more information or if you can't make it to the Center to sign up, please contact Rebekah Fisher, [rbuttlers@hotmail.com](mailto:rbuttlers@hotmail.com), 303-834-8784.

### Philip Bender-Stone, LCSW

*My Teenager is Driving Me Crazy!! Strategies for Managing the Teenage Years*

Sunday, Sept. 20, 6 pm Room 209

Philip will eat with the youth group and their parents at 6 pm. The youth will then go on to have their own meeting while Philip meets with the parents.

*How to Raise Your Parents/Tough Talk in a Safe Place-The Fishbowl*

Sunday, Sept. 27, 6 pm Room 209

The youth will play some games and have fun learning how to get more of what they want from their parents. They will get a safe place to talk about issues that are bugging them in a “Fishbowl.”

Parents will review personality assessments from the previous meeting to help educate their teenagers. At the end of the session parents will be allowed to ask questions, share frustrations, and get advice from others in a “Fishbowl.”

## Children and Youth Activities

### Sunday School

Nursery 7:45 & 9:30 room 300

Preschool room 304

Kindergartner room 305

1st and 2nd Graders room 205

3rd and 4th Graders room 303

5th and 6th Graders room 306

Junior High (7th-8th) room 209

Senior High (9th-12th) room 206

### UMYF 7<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>

Today: Snack Supper, 6 pm *Impressions*, 6:30 pm

Next Sunday: “Second Wind” Walk, 11 am

Snack Supper, 6 pm Special Youth + Parent Event, 6:30 pm

## Acknowledgements

**Flowers:** Lynne & Steve Kendall in memory of Lynne's mother, Jeanne Hanson; Estelle Johnson in loving memory of her husband & in appreciation of church and staff; Mary Lou Alison in loving memory of Charles Milavec; Bob & Barb Veretti in loving memory of Barb's parents, John & Florence Meima; Kathy Crisler & family in loving memory of husband, father & grandfather, Larry Crisler.

### **Greeters:**

7:45 – Goldie Creason and Geni Furlong  
9:30 – Nancy Hollinger

### **Today, September 13**

Teachers Huddle, 9:00 am  
**Children's Choir, 10:35 am**  
Finance Committee, 10:45 am  
**Sunday Talk Back, 10:45 am**

### **This Week: Sept 14-Sept 19**

Meals on Wheels: Mon-Fri, 10 am  
KDD: Mon-Fri, 9-11:30 am  
Lite Fitness: Tues & Thurs, 8:30-9:30 am  
ESL: Tues, 10 am; Wed, 9,1,6 pm; Sun, 1 pm

#### **Mon: CR Deadline, 5 pm**

Stewardship Committee, 6 pm  
**CPR, 6 pm**  
Horizons Meeting, 7 pm

#### **Tues: Morning Bells, 8 am**

Hannah Circle, 9:15 am  
**Care Team, 1 pm**  
Mary Martha Circle, 7 pm

#### **Wed: Visiting Team, 10 am**

**Brown Bag Bible Study, noon**  
Women's Spiritual Journey, 7 pm  
**Chancel Choir, 7 pm**

#### **Thurs: Esther Circle, 9:15 am**

**Elizabeth Circle, 9:15 am, offsite**  
Priscilla Circle, 12:30 pm  
**Financial Peace University, 6:30 pm**  
SPRC, 6:30 pm  
**Worship Committee, 7 pm**

#### **Fri: Friday Morning Study, 7 am**

**Sat: Senior Game Day, 1 pm**  
Library Committee, 10 am

### **Worship Services**

(with Nursery available)  
7:45 a.m.  
9:30 a.m.

### **Church School**

9:30 a.m.

### **Coffee Fellowship**

8:45 and 10:30 a.m.  
in the Center

## Sign Up In The Center

Purchase **King Soopers & Safeway certificates**. Social Concerns receives 4-5% of sales to use for mission projects.

**Welcome people as they come to church. Greeters** are needed for Oct.

### **Adult Education Sunday Mornings**

Adult Bible Studies, 8:20 am  
**Insights Book Study, 8:45**  
Biblical Kaleidoscope, 10:30

### **During The Week**

Toastmasters, Tues, 6:30 pm  
**Brown Bag Bible Study,  
Weds, noon**  
Women's Spiritual Journey,  
Weds, 7 pm  
**Friday Morning Theology,  
7 am**

### **Next Sunday, September 20**

Children's Choir, 10:35 am  
**Game of Life, 11:30 am**

**Golden Singles** will meet for lunch at Heaven Dragon, 16255 W. 64<sup>th</sup> Ave next Sunday, at 11:30 am. For reservations call Barb Pedersen, 303-423-5340 or Joan McTaggart, 303-429-3759.

### **Wednesday Book Club**

You are invited to read and discuss the remarkable life-story of Trond Sander presented by Per Petterson in *Out Stealing Horses* with Wednesday Book Club at 1:30 p.m.,

Sept. 23 in the John Allen Memorial Library at Arvada UMC.

Readers learn hardly anything about Trond, his career and family though he clearly loved his wife and children. However, *"the fundamental of the man he was and became, is fully realized"* the *Complete Review* observes. Vivid images of Trond as an old man and as a teenager in the days just after World War II are presented with peculiarly vivid images of the old man and his youth.

Come! Share your reactions to this book recommended by Ian Thomson of *The Guardian* as *"a minor masterpiece of death and delusion in a Nordic land."*

### **Ride Needed**

A couple from our church who have moved to Mountain Vista needs a ride to church. Mountain Vista is at 11800 W 49th Ave (4 blocks east of Ward Rd, just north of I-70). Call Sherry Marti, 303-431-6005 to help.

Rusty's **Progressive Christianity Class** will not meet this Tuesday. Class will resume on the 22nd.

Copies of the ***Social Principles of The United Methodist Church*** are available on the reception desk.

Copies of the book ***Saving Jesus from the Church*** by Dr. Robin Meyers are available in the narthex for \$20. The five week book study begins Tuesday, October 13 at 7 pm.

### **Ministers**

Rusty Butler  
Valerie Oden

### **Choir Director**

Debbie Willeford

### **Organist**

Carolyn Cline

**7:45 Music &  
Children's Choir  
Dir., Sydney Vogel**

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