

Worship and Celebration

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November 22, 2009

Prelude *Great is Thy Faithfulness* Thompson
 Our Great Redeemer's Praise Sherman
 Bronze Ringers, Jamie Olson, director

Call to Worship *Psalm 100* #821

***Opening Hymn** *We Gather Together* #131

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.*

Children's Time *Children are invited forward for a special time.
They will be led to their classrooms for Sunday School following Children's Time.*

Hymn *For the Beauty of the Earth* #92

Congregational Prayer (unison):

**For the beauty and wonder of creation, we thank you God.
For all the gifts of life, we thank you God. May our gratitude
overflow from our hearts out into the world and benefit
others. And may our very lives bear witness to your grace.
Amen.**

Silent Prayer / Pastoral Prayer / 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.*

Special Music *How Great Thou Art* Dobrinski
 Bronze Ringers

Stewardship Moment *Alternative Gift Market* Sue Clasen

Invitation to Offering

May these gifts bring healing, wholeness and hope to the world.

The Offertory *Dance and Vivace* by Turk
 Elizabeth Fellers and Carolyn Cline, 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 *A Celebration* Wagner
 Chancel Choir

Scripture Reading: *Matthew 5: 1-11*

Reflection "When Thanks Seems Upside Down" Rev. Oden

***Hymn** *Let All Things Now Living* TFWS #2008

***Benediction Response** *The Trees of the Field* (twice) TFWS #2279

Postlude *Now Thank We* arr. Helman

*Please stand as you choose and are able.

Assisting in Worship: Patti O'Neill, Brigid McClaire, Schawn Kellogg,
Sydney Vogel, Debbie Willeford, Carolyn Cline, Serena Klein, David Butler
Co-Pastors: Rev. Valerie Oden and Rev. Rusty Butler
Acolytes: 9:30 Katie Cannon and Josh Monagle
Welcome Center: Julie Winegar

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.

Next Sunday's Special Music:

7:45 & 9:30 3 Men & a Bass—INCREDIBLE QUARTET!

Reminder: Thanksgiving Service, Thursday, November 26, 9 am.
Special Guest: Jeffco Brass

AUMC Opportunities

COME YE THANKFUL PEOPLE, COME

Arvada UMC will host a Thanksgiving service on **November 26**, Thanksgiving Day. The service begins at **9:00 am**. Please plan on coming a little early so you can hear the fantastic Jeffco Brass play a Mini Concert. The Jeffco Brass, the Chancel Choir & Carolyn Cline will provide Special Music for this service. Rusty Butler will lead the service and share his Thanksgiving message with us. Join us for a truly beautiful start to your Thanksgiving celebration.

Hanging of the Greens: It's time to decorate and prepare the Church for Christmas. Join us in The Center on Friday, November 27, at 5 pm to share a warm meal, decorate the church and kick off our season of joy. Please sign up in the Center following each service so we know you are planning to attend.

Exploring the Story — Advent at AUMC

Sundays, December 6, 13 and 20 at 10:45 am in the chapel.

In this 3 week Advent gathering, we'll hear good ol' fashion story-telling, explore the various Gospel stories of Jesus' birth, and hear stories of Christmas traditions around the world. Come and rest in "The Story" during this busy time of the year.

Golden Singles: Mark Nov. 29 and Dec. 6 on your calendars. I will be in the Center between services and after second service to receive your check made out to the Old Neighborhood restaurant for our Christmas party. See you there. Dean Burton

UMW Christmas Luncheon Features the Joy of Music, Saturday, Dec. 5

All women of the church and guests are invited to participate in the joy of Christmas music with caroling led by Debbie Willeford, solos, and Morning Bells under the direction of Marion Burnham to be held in the church sanctuary about 1 pm following the UMW Christmas Luncheon at 12 pm, Saturday, Dec. 5 in the Fellowship Center.

Proceeds of the dinner to be prepared by chef Shirley Pierce and hosted by the UMW executive committee will be used to support mission projects as well as provide free child care and a light lunch for this occasion in the nursery/ church school rooms.

Tickets at \$10 each may be purchased in the Fellowship Center **Today**, and next Sun, the 29th, or through UMW Circle members. You may reserve tables for Christmas fellowship with your guests. Please register names and ages of children needing child care.

This year's **Blue Christmas** service will be hosted by Jefferson Avenue UMC on Thursday, Dec. 17 at 7:00 pm. All are welcome to this quiet worship honoring those for whom Christmas is especially difficult this year. Jefferson Avenue is one of our Cooperative Parish Churches, located at 4425 Kipling St. Questions may be addressed to Rev. Dan O'Dell, (303) 424-0463.

Oct 11, UMW Sunday with Valerie's mother, **Marilyn Brown Oden**, is recorded on a CD. Please call Sherry Marti, 303-431-6005, sherry@arvadaumc.org if you would like a copy for \$2.

Children and Youth Activities

Sunday School: Children begin worship with their families in the sanctuary. After Children's Time, teachers lead children to their classes. Parents may pick them up after church in the classrooms.

Nursery 7:45 & 9:30, room 300	3rd and 4th Graders, chapel
Preschool, room 304	5th and 6th Graders, room 306
Kindergarten, room 205	Junior High (7th-8th), room 209
1st and 2nd Graders, room 205	Senior High (9th-12th), room 206

UMYF 7th – 12th

Today: 12:30-4 pm, carpool to DENUM to pack Thanksgiving baskets

Next Sunday: 4 pm, meet at the church and carpool to Colorado Mills for Putting + Pizza, \$5

Acknowledgements

Flowers:

Melanie Wilson & family in loving memory of John; husband, father and grandfather;
Ken & Linda Clark in appreciation of the musical groups and individuals;
Audrey Metz in loving memory of husband, John & daughter, Marguerite Marie;
Mary Slote in loving memory of husband, Friend, and other family.

Greeters:

7:45 – Mickey Michel
9:30 – Vesta and Stan Miller

Today, November 22

Nursery Committee, 10 am
Children's Choir, 10:35 am

This Week: Nov 23 – Nov 28

Meals on Wheels: Mon-Wed, 10 am
KDD: on break this week
Lite Fitness: Tues, 8:30-9:30 am
ESL: Tues, 10 am; Wed, 9 am, 1,6 pm; Sun, 1 pm

Mon: Bronze Ringers, 6:15 pm

Tues: Morning Bells, 8 am

Care Team, 1 pm

Toastmasters, 6:30 pm

Wed: No Brown Bag Bible Study this week

Women's Spiritual Journey, 7 pm

Chancel Choir, 7 pm

Thurs: Thanksgiving Service, 9 am

Fri: Hanging of the Greens, 5 pm
or come at 6 pm to decorate

Next Sunday, November 29

1st Sunday of Advent

Children's Choir, 10:35 am

Holiday Orchestra, 10:45 am

Finance Committee, 10:45

Social Concerns, 11 am

Sign Up In The Center

Purchase **King Soopers & Safeway certificates**. Social Concerns receives 4-5% of sales for missions.

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

Sign-up for **Hanging of the Greens**, Fri, Nov. 27, 5 pm, or later to decorate

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**

UMW Lydia Ladies

November 23- Birthday Party/
Ice Cream Social at Mountain
Vista, 3 pm.

November 24- Bingo at Arvada
Care/Rehab Health Center,
2 pm.

December 6- Holiday Tea at
the historic Holiday Chalet,
meet in the narthex at 1 pm. to
receive carpool assign-
ments. Tea starts at 2 pm.

Make your reservations today
in **The Center for the UMW Lydia Ladies Holiday Tea** at
the Holiday Chalet! Spaces will fill quickly. Cost is \$32.00
per person. There will be many delicious homemade
goodies and great fellowship opportunities. We hope

you'll join us and make this a holiday event to remember!

Ministers

Rusty Butler

Valerie Oden

Choir Director

Debbie Willeford

Organist

Carolyn Cline

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

Christmas Pageant

Once again, it's time to gear up for our Christmas Pageant!

We will host a Pageant Party and Rehearsal on Saturday, December 12 from 9-11:30 a.m., which is also a Parents' Morning Out. Nursery care will be provided during the Pageant Party. The pageant is on Sunday, December 13 during the 9:30 service. All children (preschool-6th grade) are welcome to participate in the pageant this year. We also need parent/adult volunteers and youth cadets. Please fill out a registration form and deposit it into one of the drop-off boxes which are located on the information desk in the narthex or in the Center. You can also email your registration info to pageant@arvadaumc.org.

The **AUMC Holiday Orchestra** is excited to continue the annual tradition of presenting Christmas music during the December 20th Candlelighting Service. Over 50 AUMC members shared their love of music with friends and family last year and we would love to have YOU join the orchestra! 'All are welcome at the table' as we encourage all levels, abilities and instruments (strings, wind instruments and percussion). Pattie Nelson directs the Orchestra and you may call with questions at 303-425-9391.

Rehearsal schedule:

- Nov 29, 10:45-12:00 (rehearsal)
- Dec 6, 10:45-12:00 (rehearsal)
- Dec 13, 6:30-8:00 (rehearsal)
- Dec 20, 3:00-9:00 (rehearsal, dinner, Candlelighting Service)

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

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