

July 25, 2010  
10:00 a.m.

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost  
Liturgical Color – Red

*The white pedestal candle on the worship table is a prayerful reminder of all those who are affected by the war in Iraq and Afghanistan. Let us pray for peace and wholeness for all whose lives are at risk.*

### ORDER OF WORSHIP

**PRELUDE** *Song of an Angel [Paradise Lost]* - Anton Rubinstein

### THE GATHERING

**\*OPENING HYMN 110** *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* Ein' Feste Burg

**\*INVOCATION** Jo Morgan, Liturgist

Leader: We acknowledge our presence, O God of times and seasons, in the great events of our history. Make equally evident to us your presence in our gathering this morning. Our faith has no difficulty perceiving your action in the dramatic events of our day; give us faith now to see your action in the gentle gathering of two or three, in the gathering of this congregation. Weave together our lives and our worship, that we may feel your presence equally in our work and in our worship, day in and day out.

**People: In this spirit we gather to worship. Amen.**

**WORDS OF WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS** Rev. Paul Kottke

### PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY

**PSALTER – Psalm 46, page 789 [sing response 2]** Jo Morgan

**SOLO** *The Call from Five Mystical Songs* - Ralph Vaughan Williams  
*Paul Lannon, baritone*

**SCRIPTURES** **Isaiah 46:8-10 and Ephesians 1:3-14** Jo Morgan

Reader: May God bless the hearing and understanding of these words.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**CHILDREN'S MOMENTS** Duane Buys

*[As the children leave, let us join in singing.]*

**Jesus loves the little children, all the children of the world**

**All the shades from dark to light, they are precious in his sight,**

**Jesus loves the little children of the world.**

**HYMN 529** *How Firm a Foundation* *Foundation*

### SERMON

### Is God in Control?

Rev. Kottke

*[Last in the Series "Finding God in the Questions"]*

### RESPONSE OF THE FAITHFUL

### SILENT PRAYER

**WORDS OF TRADITION: THE LORD'S PRAYER 895**

**OFFERING - Giving out of gratitude for the blessings of our life**

**OFFERTORY** *Consolation #3 in D flat minor* - Franz Liszt

*Anne Hunter, piano*

**\*PRESENTATION OF OFFERING AND DOXOLOGY HYMN 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 uplifts!**

**Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit, Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Barbara Philipp

### DISCIPLES SENT INTO THE WORLD

**\*CLOSING HYMN 578**

*God of Love and God of Power*

*Unser Herrscher*

**\*BENEDICTION**

**SUNG BENEDICTION 143**

*On Eagle's Wings*

*Joncas*

**\*POSTLUDE**

*A Festal Fanfare from the 4th Concerto*

- J. S. Bach/

arr. Van Denman Thompson



**WORD OF WELCOME** to our visitors: The addition of your praise to God and presence in our worship this morning heartens us all. If you are visiting from out of town, we wish you Godspeed. If you are looking for a church home, you will find a ready welcome here. Please sign the welcome pad as it is passed to you for our records. Following the service, we invite you to join us for coffee and fellowship in the Courtyard, weather permitting.

### ASSISTING IN THE SERVICE TODAY

**Greeters:** Nicki & Marv Truhe, Barbara and Dennis Baldwin

**Ushers:** Frank Philipp, George Gramer, John Penko, David Relaford, Ruth Rohs

\*Please stand as able

Staffed Nursery available

Large-print hymnals available—please ask an usher

Hearing aids available—please ask an usher

# PENIEL

The Place Where We Connect & Wrestle with God



Thoughts...

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## Worship 101: Becoming Incarnational

“What changed? Our understanding of worship changed. With a change in understanding came a change in practice. Contrary to what some might expect, the form of worship has not changed from 'traditional' to 'contemporary' so much as from 'message-based' to 'incarnational.’ – Dr. Eric Elnes, Senior Minister at Countryside Community Church UCC

**Worship Crew:** Ryan Canaday, Keith Barnhart, Meghan Calhoon, Stephanie Foster

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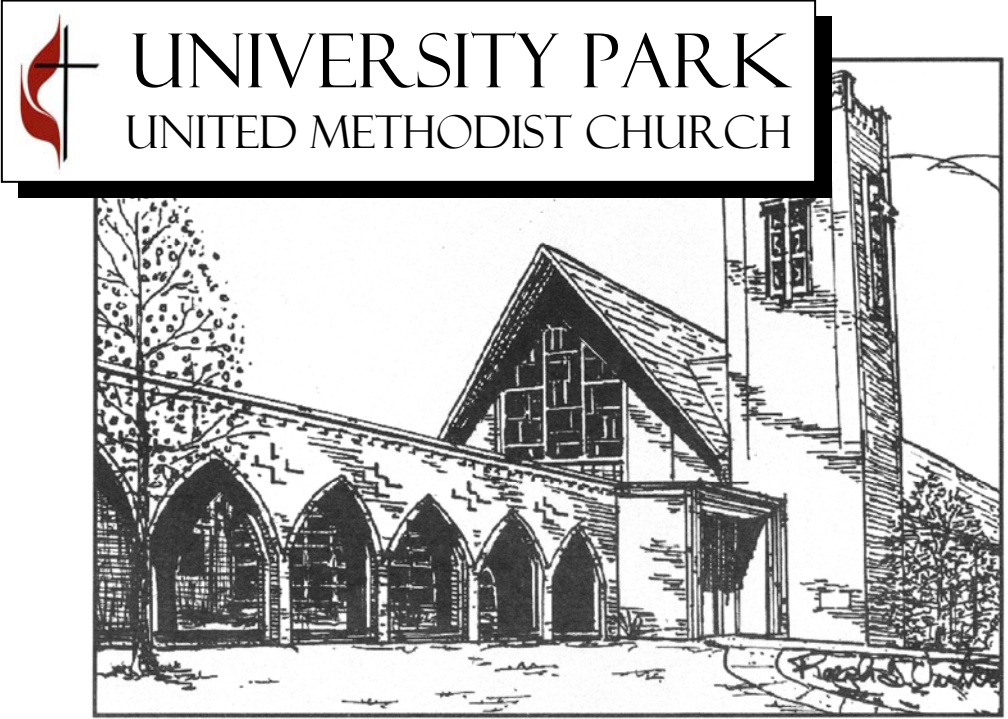
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## CONGRATULATIONS TO

**Michael Beindorff**

UPark member and

member of the American Institute of Graphic Arts

Michael has been selected to participate in the "Giving Voice" program, which pairs up 12 designers with 12 mentally and physically differently-abled teenagers, for a one-on-one experience in which the teens have an opportunity to "visually explore" the concept of their disability in society and the issues they face every day. What a great opportunity for both artist and teenager to grow and share.

### Beyond Divorce: Rebuilding When Your Relationship Ends



The ending of a love relationship can be one of the most stressful and difficult experiences of a person's life, whether you are divorcing, widowed, or breaking up a relationship. This workshop meets on Tuesday evenings, 6:30-8:30 pm, from August 17 through October 19, at St. Andrew UMC in Highands Ranch. Call Jenny Ricklefs at 303/794-2683, X106, for more information or to make a reservation.

Please call Bettingers ASAP if you want to go to the studio for your photos. There is a lovely outdoor garden setting that can be used by these talented photographers if you want to purchase a package for your family. If you just want your photo made for the directory, that's OK, too.

*Call 303/400-6023 and schedule a sitting.*

*You will receive a free 5x7 photo.*

You can also schedule a Bryans Room appointment online at [www.bettingerphoto.com](http://www.bettingerphoto.com).

Bettingers will be in the Bryans Room from **Septemer 24** through **October 2** if you prefer to wait until fall.

*Please make your appointment today!*

**PICTORIAL DIRECTORY**

## JOURNEY WITH US TO THE PARK

Summer 2010 - 9:00 am



Today's Sunday School begins at 9:00 am and focuses on the "greening" of the church.

The class meets in the Bryans Room, and today's discussion is on "Rejoicing our faith in God and creation."

This class is led by Student Pastor Patrick Lewis. There are Biblical scriptural references for each topic, based on the book *Green Church* by Rebekah Simon-Peter, an ordained pastor with a degree in Environmental Studies. Each class stands alone; no prior attendance is required.

A class for children meets in Room 302 and childcare is available on Level 2 of the Education Wing.

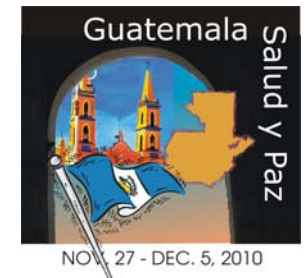
*Join us and find out what each one of us can do to help preserve the goodness of the earth's air, water, soil, and life itself. It has to start with individuals!!*

Next week, we shift to Egyptian history. Jim Fleet, a retired teacher of Ancient History, will lead this class in conjunction with the King Tut exhibit at the Denver Art Museum. This class will be held on August 1, 8, and 15 in the Bryans Room.

NOTE: No Children's Sunday School in August.

### From the Guatemala Team

**We leave for Guatemala in November, but right now the stores are running specials on school supplies. There are two other groups who are soliciting pencils, pens, crayons, etc. (Children's Church and Steps). So isn't this a great time to take advantage of the specials and buy everything in three's? We have a pull-out basket in the Donations alcove, and Steps has a plastic bin. There will be a plastic bin for Children's Church. Please remember the Guatemala Team when you are shopping and help us help the needy in Guatemala! Thanks from the team!!**



# The Week Ahead

<b>SUNDAY 7/25</b>	9:00 am	Summer Sunday School	
	10:00 am	Peniel Service	Wasser Chapel
	10:00 am	Informal/Traditional Service	Sanctuary
	11:00 am	Summer Hospitality	Courtyard
	6:00 pm	Young People's AA	East Parlor
<b>MONDAY 7/26</b>	6:00 pm	Open Road Ramblers	B03
	8:00 pm	Group 13 AA	East Parlor
	8:00 pm	Stepping Stones Al-Anon	Osborne Parlor
		<i>Prayer Book Reading 40, Establishing the Right Priorities, page 247, Cycle C</i>	
<b>TUESDAY 7/27</b>	9:00 am	Kindermusik	Bryans Room
	10:00 am	Men's Faith & Fellowship	East Parlor
	1:00 pm	Wellness Clinic	Bryans Room
	4:30 pm	Kindermusik	Bryans Room
	7:00 pm	Venture Crew 5	B03
	7:30 pm	BMCM	East Parlor
<b>WEDNESDAY 7/28</b>	9:00 am	Staff Meeting	Conference Room
	2:30 pm	Kindermusik Lessons	Rooms 302/304
	6:00 pm	Faith in Action Committee	Osborne Parlor
	8:00 pm	Forgiveness Al-Anon	Bryans Room
<b>THURSDAY 7/29</b>			
<b>FRIDAY 7/30</b>	9:00 am	Youth Meet for Elitch Gardens trip	
<b>SATURDAY 7/31</b>	9:30 am	Food Addicts in Recovery	East Parlor
<b>SUNDAY 8/1</b>	9:00 am	Adult Summer Sunday School ( <i>No children's classes</i> )	
	10:00 am	Peniel Service	Wasser Chapel
	10:00 am	Informal/Traditional Service	Sanctuary
	11:00 am	Summer Hospitality	Courtyard
	6:00 pm	Young People's AA	East Parlor

## KIDS CANS FOR KIDS – BRING THOSE ALUMINUM CANS!

It's hot now and we drink more sodas and other canned beverages. Remember to rinse, crush, save, and bring the cans to the church each Sunday as we continue to redeem. The proceeds go to the Children's Hospital Chaplain's Office to provide children's Bibles for those patients who want them and to supply resources of a variety of faith traditions for the Volunteer Faith Cart. Thus far this year we have recycled 457# for a donation of \$207 toward our goal of \$500. Thanks to all the volunteers and donors who make this ministry possible and successful.



## School Supply Drive

Our Steps young adult group is sponsoring this drive to benefit the young families at the Florence Crittenton School served by Parent Pathways.



*Your donation of school supplies and diapers will reach needy pregnant and parenting teens just in time to start the school year. Supplies for 200 students are needed.*

Requested items:

Back packs	3" x 5" index cards
Package of 5 subject dividers	Scissors
Spiral notebooks	#2 pencils
Clear Plastic Sheet Protectors	Colored pencils
Composition notebooks	Protractor
Calculator, including scientific	Black or Blue pens
Three-ring binders (1", 1.5", 2")	Compass
Highlighters	One-hole hand punch
Markers	Art journal or sketch book
Glue sticks	Liquid white-out
Diapers (especially sizes 3-6)	Thin-point Sharpies

Please bring your items to the Foyer and place in the marked bin in the Donations Alcove. Today is the deadline. Our Steps group will gather up all supplies and take them to Parent Pathways. *Steps sends a big thanks!!*



**CHILD CARE IS AVAILABLE FOR INFANTS THROUGH POTTY TRAINED. Children's Church is provided for 3-1/2 year olds through 3rd grade in Room 302.**

**SUMMER WISH LIST** – DenUM and Metro CareRing report needing the following items: cereal, peanut butter, boxed meals, canned fruit, and diapers sizes 4-6. If you can help out, bring your items to the Foyer and place in the Donations Alcove. Kids are out of school and eating breakfast at home instead of the school cafeteria.

**WE NEED YOUR LEGOS** – If you have any legos that are no longer needed, the Metro Women's program of Habitat for Humanity is collecting. They need thousands for a fundraiser. If you can donate, contact Jill Sladek at [womenbuilders@habitatmetrodenver.org](mailto:womenbuilders@habitatmetrodenver.org). She needs these legos by August 15, if possible.

**AIDS WALK COLORADO INVITES YOU** – On August 14, the 23rd Annual AIDS Walk Colorado will take place in Cheesman Park. There is no charge to register for the Walk, and you can have as many on your team as you want. Each team member will secure donations from sponsors. You can register your family or team at [www.AIDSwalkcolorado.org](http://www.AIDSwalkcolorado.org). If walking is not your thing, the event needs volunteers, as well.

**HEY, YOUTH! LET'S GO TO A GAME!!** –We have 10 tickets available for the Rockies game against the San Francisco Giants on Tuesday, Aug 3. The first people to call and reserve a spot get to go!! We will meet at the church, take the light rail to Coors Field, and be there for first pitch at 6:40 pm. Bring money for light rail and dinner snacks.



**NEED DOMESTIC HELP?** – Our Faith in Action Committee announces a new project in Denver: Green Cleaning for Life. This group provides highest-quality cleaning services while building a higher quality of life for the families of the workers. Using green products and practices, all workers are bonded and have liability insurance. If you are interested, visit [info@greencleaningforlife.coop](mailto:info@greencleaningforlife.coop). This is a project of El Centro Humanitario.

**RAFT SENDS A BIG THANKS!!** – Ray Nelson is overwhelmed by your generosity in donating items for the new refugee family. The most pressing need now is for single beds, bedding, living room chairs, and sofas. If you have any of these items, please call Ray for pick up (303/753-9414).

**GROCERY GIFT CARDS** – Gift cards for King Soopers, Safeway, and the Sunflower Market are available at the reception desk in the Foyer in increments of \$25, \$50, and \$100. This is one way our UMW supports mission work around the world. Please buy gift cards and redeem them at face value. It costs you nothing, but our UMW receives a rebate from every dollar sold!! Help your UMW – buy gift cards and spend them like money!!

**CARING DISCIPLES (CD) MINISTRY** – Volunteers serving as Caring Disciples have completed approximately 50 hours of training in listening skills, spiritual resources, and focus on caring for persons facing issues of grief and loss, death and dying, aging, caring for others, emotional distress, and illness and hospitalization. If you or someone you know might benefit from the service of a Caring Disciple, contact Rev. Debby Lawrence at 303/722-5736. All information is confidential.

**NEW WII POTLUCK BRUNCH** – On August 29, following the 10:00 services, please join us! Through the summer UPark has hosted four Wii parties to playfully examine how UPUMC can support the community by addressing stress as a component of emotional wellness. We invite all UPark members and friends to attend the Wii Potluck Brunch as we present the collation of the data obtained from the four parties and answer the three Wii What Next questions:

- What resources does UPark already offer to manage stress?
- Where are the gaps?
- What new ideas and activities would you recommend?

Bring a brunch item to share and participate in this final session of the **W(ellness) i(nteractive) i(nquiry)**.

**NEW DONATIONS FOR CHILDREN'S CHURCH** –Please help us create our new Children's Church! Starting September 12, Children's Church will move to West Fellowship Hall for both the 8:30 and 11:00 services. As before, children will attend the adult services with parents/family members and remain through the Children's Message. We will then gather downstairs to have a children's worship experience.

We would appreciate donations of materials, as well as assistance envisioning this new Children's Church. We plan to have three or four centers for learning each week: (1) components of worship and roles of leaders; (2) Scripture/Bible story; (3) music/hymns/prayers; and (4) liturgy, altar, sacraments, and seasons. We will make banners and cloths, build altars, learn hymns and songs, and read and discuss Scripture on a rotating basis with different themes. We will close with a short worship in our Sacred Space (the stage) and experience different styles of worship.

We need your ideas, help, and donations. Here's a partial list of items that are needed very badly. Please call, e-mail, or talk with Anne Mundt:

- One large rug for the Sacred Space
- Cushions (40 or so) for sitting and kneeling during our worship - make or donate
- Child-sized tables and chairs for the centers
- Large and small plastic storage containers
- Materials to knit/sew/needlepoint/decorate banners and altar cloths
- Volunteers to help sew or help teach sewing/needlework
- Materials to build altar components (volunteers to help the children hammer and nail)
- Poster boards
- Small table to use for the altar area
- Bibles and hymnals
- Easels (2)
- Small gong to use as a call to worship

If you have suggestions or ideas for the centers or the worship services, please let us know!

Anne Mundt (303) 722-5736 X112, or [amundt@universityparkumc.org](mailto:amundt@universityparkumc.org)

**NEW OUR CONTEMPORARY PRAISE SERVICE IS CHANGING** – Thanks to our dynamic pair of leaders, the Praise Service is changing its format and its name. Ryan Canaday has assembled a leadership team to analyze and improve the praise service. Keith Barnhart continues to provide excellent music, aided by other talented voices/instruments. Effective immediately, the service will be known as Peniel (pronounced PEN-ee-el). Peniel is the place where Jacob wrestled with God. More details will follow next week.

**NEW TOUR OF WFH FOR PARENTS** (and anyone else who is interested!) – Attention parents of children who attend Children's Church (either the 8:30 or 11:00 services): we will have a brief gathering on August 22 following the worship service to discuss the plans for the new Children's Church. We will gather in West Fellowship Hall and have a tour, and we will talk about the drop-off and pick-up procedures, as well as where to meet if there ever is a fire alarm. Please join us! Contact Anne if you have any questions.

**NEW REUNION CONCERT AT ENGLEWOOD BIBLE CHURCH** – On Saturday, August 14, you can hear The Southern Gospel Quartet "The Searchlighters;" Derrick Ballard, world-renowned soloist with the German Opera; and The Ballards, an *a capella* quartet. Concert begins at 7:00 pm at Englewood Bible Church, 3190 S. Grant Street. A freewill offering will be taken – no reservations needed.

**NEW CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER AND SHEPHERD MEETING** – We will have a meeting on Sunday, August 22 at 9:00 am for children's Sunday School teachers and shepherds. There won't be Sunday School for children or adults that day, but we will have child care available. We will talk about the curriculum for the year and the various rotations, discuss the rotation model for those who haven't taught before, and answer any questions – and we will have fun! Even if you have taught or been a shepherd before, we would appreciate your presence. Please RSVP to Duane or Anne, and then join us upstairs in the movie/drama room on the 22nd.