

**UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF SUMMIT**  
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# **THE DIALOGUE**

**October 2013**



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# The Rummage Sale Is Right Around The Corner!

You can lend a hand during set-up:

We need lots of hands helping prior to the sale as items are arranged in each room. Pick a room and help us sort, label, and price!



And you can lend a hand during the Sale days:

We need the support of people willing to oversee tables on Sale days. Where can you lend a hand on these days? Wherever you like! So that we can plan appropriately, please add your name to the available sign-up sheets in the Social Hall; you will see the categories of items listed.

There will be items in the Social Hall and Music Room, the Nursery, the Fellowship Room, the Green Room, and the Library.

## **HERE'S THE SCHEDULE OF SALE DAYS:**

**Pre-Sale:** Friday, October 4, 2013 6-9pm

To enjoy the "pre-sale," one pays a **\$5 entrance fee** and gets the earliest opportunity to buy the treasures available! (Free dessert will be served!)

**Sale Day:** Saturday October 5, 2013 9am-2pm

*Any questions can be directed to:*

*Latonia Hall, Terry Schaefer, Wendi Barry, Debbie Vartan, or Joan Bollman*

***Remember how vital this event is:***

***the proceeds are used for mission and ministry locally and globally!***

## COME LEARN ABOUT THE HOLY SPIRIT

Jesus gets a lot of attention –  
we know about his birth,  
his death,  
his resurrection,  
his ascension...

We quote his sayings,  
we paint pictures of him,  
we have countless ways  
to celebrate him as Lord.



*But what about the Holy Spirit?*

The Spirit is as central to our lives as Jesus is,  
but we rarely focus on this dimension of God.  
Sadly, the Spirit gets treated like the credits at the end of a long movie –  
who pays any attention?

In our three-week study we'll learn about  
what we mean when we speak of the Holy Spirit.

***Wednesday nights: October 16, 23, 30  
7:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Room***



### **World Communion Sunday, October 6, 2013**

On World Communion Sunday Christians from  
all around the globe celebrate our oneness in Christ.

World Communion Sunday is an annual event that provides  
United Methodists with an opportunity to support the development  
of leaders for church and society around the world.

Our special offering on this day will provide scholarships for racial- and  
ethnic-minority students in the United States and international students to  
transform the church and communities.

***To read some of their stories, check out this link:***

**[http://www.umcgiving.org/site/c.qwL6KkNWLrH/b.3837997/k.FCBD/Special Sunday World Communion Sunday Stories.htm](http://www.umcgiving.org/site/c.qwL6KkNWLrH/b.3837997/k.FCBD/Special_Sunday_World_Communion_Sunday_Stories.htm)**

## COMMITMENT SUNDAY

*To Every Thing there is a Season –  
A Time to Pledge*

The new church year got off to a wonderful start with a picnic “at the Point” which was enjoyed by all.



The fall season is a time not only to renew friendships but to renew our commitment to Christ and to search for ways to strengthen the spiritual well-being of the congregation.

It is also a time to make a financial commitment to support the 2014 ministries of United Methodist Church of Summit.

*Commitment Sunday this year will be on October 20, 2013*  
at which time we will dedicate our pledges of prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness to the glory of God. Please read your Stewardship Letter (to be mailed in early October with pledge card) and prayerfully consider your financial support for the coming year.

The financial needs of the church are greater than ever. If you have not pledged in the past, please consider doing so this year. If you have pledged before, please consider joining others in raising your pledge.

Your Finance Committee



**“If you want to know our faith,  
you’ve got to know this story!”**

As a person of faith, which of our Bible stories do you think are central? If you met someone who is wondering about the God we worship, what stories would you tell?

Research suggests that we Christians today could use some bolstering of our biblical knowledge. We could all benefit from learning more of the basics of our faith heritage, for then we are best equipped to find our story within God’s Story.

I am interested in preaching on some of the Biblical stories that you find to be key to the faith journey. Drop me a note with your selections and suggestions!

Pastor Hogan

*The people of the United Methodist Church  
are called to mission!*



**“A Future with Hope Mission Fund Campaign”** is a 3-year conference-wide effort to raise more than \$12 million for local church mission, Imagine No Malaria, and Sandy Relief. People need us more than ever right now:

- 650,000 people will die of malaria this year alone; every \$10 saves a life!
- more than 22,000 of our neighbors are still displaced from their homes nearly a year after the storm; our combined efforts will enable 500 families to have their homes repaired and get their lives “back to normal”; and;
- our local community has needs that only we can fill: 25% of every dollar we raise will be go to the great work of “SHIP” (Summit Helping Its People)

Our Outreach Committee has dedicated 1/3 of its annual budget for each of the next three years toward this combined effort! Additionally, plans are being made to hold an “Our Christmas for Others” event in December to augment our support. Keep on the alert for ways to be involved!





# OCTOBER EDUCATION ARTICLE

During our first **Education Committee meeting** of the year the group discussed in some length the “So That...” of our education ministry. In this conversation we discussed the meaning and purpose of why we offer Christian education. It was a great conversation and I wanted to share with you the one statement we thought it boiled down to.

*“We are committed to offering a Christian Education Ministry at the UMC of Summit so that we can grow our community and live into our baptismal covenant together.”*

As a committee, we believe whole heartedly in the importance of education and have been working hard to provide our church community with wonderful opportunities to learn and grow.

This year our children will have some great opportunities to grow in their faith as we utilize the “Grow, Proclaim, Serve” curriculum in our **children’s and tweens’ classes**.

Additionally, our **youth** will adventure together in study by using the “Bible Lessons 4 Youth” curriculum we enjoyed last year.

All in all, it is shaping up to be a great year for our Sunday school program. If you would like to be involved this year as a student, teacher or volunteer please contact Drew Sperry at the church office.

## Ways to get involved with Summit UMC Education

### WOW IT’S WEDNESDAY



**Beginning again October 9<sup>th</sup>!**

4:30pm: Snacks  
4:40pm: Wesley Choir, (older children do homework with Drew)  
5:00pm: Devotions  
5:15pm: Singing Believers; (activities for younger children with Drew)  
6:00 pm: Adjourn and head home

### SUNDAY SCHOOL

**+Children (Pre-K-3<sup>rd</sup>)**

10:45am [2<sup>nd</sup> floor]

**+T’weens (4<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup>)**

9:30am [3<sup>rd</sup> floor]

**+Sr High(8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>)**

9:30am [3<sup>rd</sup> floor]



### PARENTS’ NIGHT OUT



**October 18<sup>th</sup> 6-9pm**  
in the Green Room

Suggested \$10 donation and \$5 for every child after the first

### NURSERY CARE

Nursery Care is available on Sundays from 9:00 am until 11:30 am for children 6 weeks to 2 years!





## WOW IT'S WEDNESDAY:

This fall, when “Wow! It’s Wednesday!” resumes on **October 9<sup>th</sup>**, our weekly pattern will be:

- 4:30 pm:** All gather for **snacks** in the kitchen
- 4:40 pm:** **Wesley Choir** (younger children learning child-friendly music) rehearse in the Chapel with Ms. Prussak, while older children do their homework in the Conference Room with Drew.
- 5:00 pm:** All kids gather in the Chapel for a time of **devotions**
- 5:15 pm:** **Singing Believers** (older children learning more complex music) rehearse in the Chapel with Ms. Prussak, while younger children meet for activities in the Green Room with Drew.
- 6:00 pm:** All **adjourn** and head home

(On Wednesdays, adults are always welcome to join in “**Wednesday Conversations**”: a time of thoughtful reflection with Pastor Hogan, from 5 – 6 pm).

*Please note: If you and your child wish to arrive prior to 4:30, please spend your time in the Conference Room. While parents/caregivers are encouraged to join their children, Drew Sperry will be available to offer oversight as of 3:30 pm. There will be no scheduled activities before 4:30, as this is a great time for catching up with personal homework or other reading.*





# CHILDREN'S

## Jesus Heals Ten Lepers

One of them, when he saw he was healed, came back, praising God in a loud voice. Luke 17:15 (NIV)

The puzzle is based on Luke 17:11-19 (NIV).



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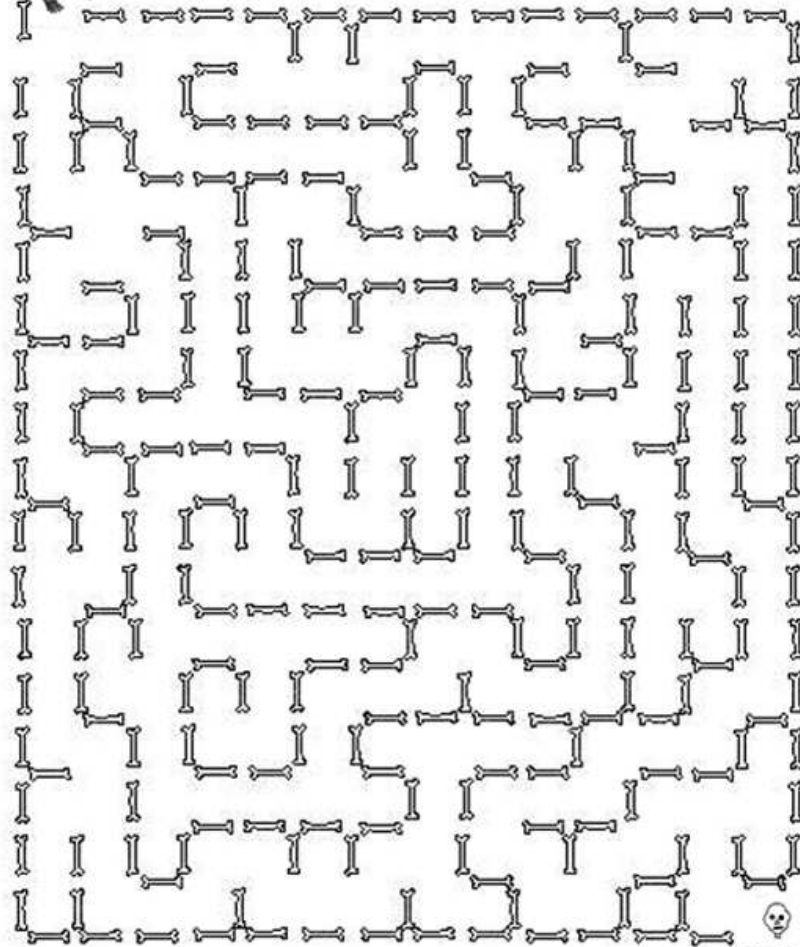
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Help the skeleton find his skull!

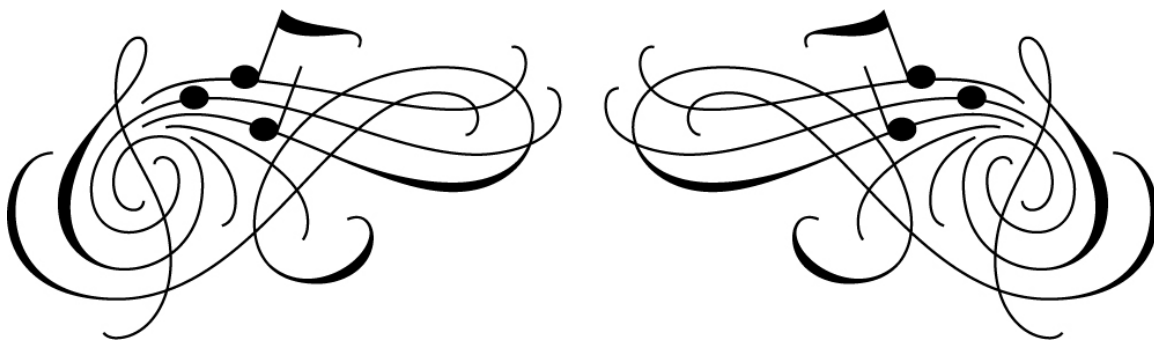


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## **MUSIC NOTES**

*Joanne Teubner Prussak, Music Director*

I pray that the words we sing and the notes we play, will be the joy within our hearts.

### **YOUTH CHOIR MINISTRY**

#### *Wesley Choir*

Singing is so much fun! We will learn songs about Jesus and how we can follow God in our life. **Rehearsals begin October 9 at 4:30pm**, as part of the “Wow, It’s Wednesday!” program. We meet in the Chapel and all children ages three through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade are most welcome.

#### *Singing Believers*

Come join the Singing Believers Choir. God has already given you the tools you need, your voice and your spirit. Let us grow together in our faith through music. **Rehearsals are at 5:15pm**, as part of the “Wow, It’s Wednesday” program. Rehearsals are in the Chapel for youth grades three and up. **Our first meeting for the season will be Wednesday, October 9.** Come, share your spirit.

### **BELL CHOIR**

It’s a joy to work together and ring joyful music to the Lord. No prior experience is needed, just a willing spirit. Rehearsals are on **Sunday mornings at 9:00am** in the Sanctuary, and we **begin on October 6** for the fall season. Come and ring praises.

### **CONTEMPORARY ENSEMBLE**

Our Contemporary Ensemble of singers, guitarists, drums, recorders, bass and piano are studying music from the new Hymnal “Worship and Song”. It includes praise music, recently written hymns, gospel songs and world music. **Rehearsals resume on October 13 at 11:45am** in the Sanctuary. All are welcome to share their music gifts.

### **CHANCEL CHOIR**

This season we are using the theme “Joyful Songs to God We Sing” to remind us of our call to live a joy-filled life. Please come and share your gifts of song with us.

**The Chancel choir** fall season continues with rehearsals **at 9:30am on Sundays** before worship.

Please come and join our Chancel Choir and lift your voice in praise to our Lord.

*Being part of a choir is both a wonderful opportunity and challenge. Help us to be committed to our ministry at the United Methodist Church of Summit, and the voice of Christ in the world.*

# FOR YOUR INFORMATION:



## **BIRTHDAYS & *Anniversaries*** **in October:**

1	Eric Goldman	18	Adam Daniel
2	<i>Jim &amp; Marge Robertson</i>	20	<i>Jesse &amp; Myrene Reyes</i>
3	<i>John &amp; Susan Hogg</i>	23	Doug Davis
4	Janet Daniel		Carole Reed
6	Chloe Tassé		Dominik Tassé
11	<i>Hillary Kruger &amp; Ken Lordy</i>	25	Will Johnson
12	Adrian Phillips	27	Shela Waldron
14	Nena-Renee Smith	30	Jack Schaefer
13	Emma Aird	31	Denise Florindi
15	Conor Barry		
	Kyle Dorbu		



### **FIND THE JOB YOU REALLY WANT.....**

A free seminar offered by the **New Providence United Methodist Church**,  
1441 Springfield Avenue, New Providence, NJ  
**7:30 pm – 9:00 pm** on Monday evenings,  
**September 16 – October 28, 2013.**

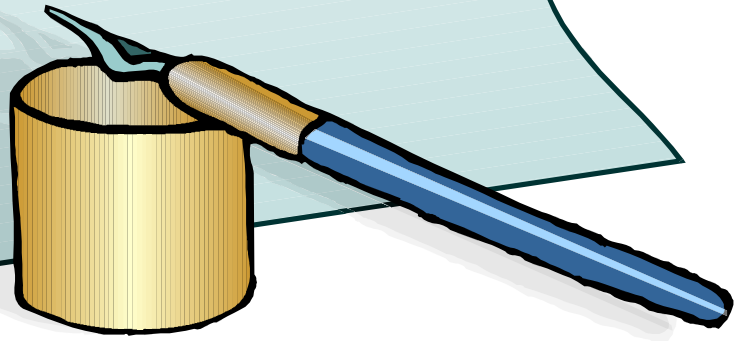
The seminar will be led by Lloyd Feinstein, founder of Career Marketing Consultants. Feinstein, with 27 years of experience, is one of the most innovative, capable, committee career coaches in the New York metropolitan area.

***Please refer to the flyer in the Social Hall for dates and upcoming topics.***

# OCTOBER "TO DO" LIST:

Help your church...help others  
**Help your church...help others**

- *Rummage Sale – 10/4 & 10/5*
- *Worship Committee Meeting – 10/6*
- *Wow, It's Wednesday begins – 10/9*
- *Property Committee Meeting – 10/10*
- *Staff/Parish Meeting – 10/10*
- *Bible Study – 10/16, 10/23, & 10/30*
- *Parents' Night Out – 10/18*
- *IHN – 10/20-10/27*
- *Commitment Sunday – 10/20*



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>Sunday Schedule:</b> 10:30am <i>Worship</i> 11:30am <i>Coffee Hour</i>		1	2 Prayer Warriors 11:30am <i>(Fellowship Room)</i>	3 <b>Knitting Ministry</b> 11:00 am	4 <b>RUMMAGE PRE-SALE</b> 6-9pm  <b>Knitting Ministry</b> 7:00 pm	5 <b>RUMMAGE SALE</b> 9am -2pm
6 Bell Choir begins 9am  Chancel Choir 9:30am  <b>Worship Committee Meeting</b> 11:30am <i>(Fellowship Room)</i>	7	8	9 Prayer Warriors 11:30am <i>(Fellowship Room)</i>  <b>Wow, It's Wednesday begins</b>	10 <b>Knitting Ministry</b> 11:00 am <b>Property Committee Meeting - 6:30pm</b> <i>(Conference Room)</i> <b>Staff/Parish Meeting</b> 7:30pm <i>(Fellowship Room)</i>	11 <b>Knitting Ministry</b> 7:00 pm	12 <b>Vocal Quartet</b> 12:30pm  <b>Solo Preparation</b> 1:30pm
13 <b>Contemporary Ensemble begins</b> 11:45am	14	15	16 Prayer Warriors -11:30am <i>(Fellowship Room)</i> <b>Wow, It's Wednesday Bible Study -7:30pm</b> <i>(Fellowship Room)</i>	17 <b>Knitting Ministry</b> 11:00 am	18 <b>Knitting Ministry</b> 7:00 pm  <b>Parents' Night Out</b> 6-9pm <i>(Green Room)</i>	19 <b>Vocal Quartet</b> 12:30pm  <b>Solo Preparation</b> 1:30pm
20 <b>COMMITMENT SUNDAY</b>  IHN guests	21 IHN guests	22 IHN guests	23 IHN guests Prayer Warriors 11:30am <i>(Fellowship Room)</i> <b>Wow, It's Wednesday Bible Study -7:30pm</b> <i>(Fellowship Room)</i>	24 IHN guests  <b>Knitting Ministry</b> 11:00 am	25 IHN guests  <b>Knitting Ministry</b> 7:00 pm	26 IHN guests <b>Vocal Quartet</b> 12:30pm  <b>Solo Preparation</b> 1:30pm
27 IHN guests	28	29	30 Prayer Warriors 11:30am <i>(Fellowship Room)</i> <b>Wow, It's Wednesday Bible Study -7:30pm</b> <i>(Fellowship Room)</i>	31 <b>Knitting Ministry</b> 11:00 am  <b>Happy Halloween!</b>		

**CHOIR START DATES:**

**BELL:** Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup> @ 9:00am  
**WESLEY:** Wednesday, October 9<sup>th</sup> @ 4:40pm

**SINGING BELIEVERS:** Wednesday, October 9<sup>th</sup> @ 5:15pm  
**CONTEMPORARY ENSEMBLE:** Sunday, October 13<sup>th</sup> @ 11:45am