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FROM THE PASTOR



Those of you who sit in the front pews on Sundays know that, when we are celebrating a baptism, I make something of a mess with the water.

I intentionally hold the pitcher at a fair height, well above the font, and begin to pour.

And, while most of the water makes it into the font, there is enough splashing to make a watery mess in the general region.

I do that purposefully, because I want everyone to see and hear the water—for this is God's outstanding gift!

And it makes a mess.

The water does not flow neatly into the silver bowl that waits below, rather it takes its own unpredictable path.

That, in many ways, is how I envision the work of the **Holy Spirit**. God pours out the Spirit—and it does not land tidily in our lives; rather it surprises us, even startles us, as it moves in our midst and through our lives.

Sunday, June 8, is the Day of Pentecost, the day on which we celebrate the surprising power and presence of God's Spirit.

Come to worship wearing RED, the color for the day!

Pastor Hogan

For Your invisible Presence
revealed in the unexpected moment
For your silent power
surprising in its irresistible challenge
For Your unlikely people
carriers of the wonder-filled message of Jesus;
We give you thanks and praise, O God, our Lord.
Amen.
(©John van de Laar)



ISAIAH: A Work In Progress
Bible Study for Adults

5 Sundays at 4:00 pm. In the Fellowship Room June 22, 29, July 6, 13, 20 Led by Pastor Hogan

It is Isaiah's poetry we revisit when we sing "Holy, Holy, Holy!" and "Here I Am, Lord."

It is Isaiah's dream we share when we envision a world in which "the wolf shall live with the lamb."

It is Isaiah's voice we hear when we describe Jesus' final suffering on our behalf.

So much of our faith imagery comes from the Book of Isaiah!

This five-week study will invite you to a strenuous exploration of the setting in which Isaiah lived and led. In addition to providing background information and basic understanding, the study will provide devotional opportunities based on Isaiah's message.

All are welcome!

IMPORTANT NEWS ABOUT SUNDAY SCHOOL

As this year's educational program comes to a close, the Education Committee moved into a long and deep discussion regarding the needs of our community. We have identified a transition in the church life that calls for a change in our Sunday School schedule in the coming year.

Starting September 21st, all Sunday
School classes will be held from 9:30 10:15 am. We will continue to offer three classes (for children preK through 3rd grade, for 'tweens 4th through 7th grades, and for teens 8th through 12th grades). While frequent Adult studies will continue to be offered throughout the year on Sundays at 4pm, it is our hope that additional adult opportunities can take place at 9:30am to invite adults to learn as kids learn.

The decision to move the youngest Sunday School class to 9:30am comes as a result of balancing the broad needs of a diverse community, joined with a growing recognition of the power of worship for the whole church family.

Recognizing that this shift creates adjustments and may not serve every household's needs, there will be options available for those households choosing alternate care during the worship hour. Please see the Education page in this newsletter for details

As the Committee that is vested with responsibility for the church's educational ministry, we are excited about this new season of providing Christian formation, and we look forward to joining with the whole congregation in living out God's call to learn and grow!

The Education Committee



COMMITTEE ON LAY LEADERSHIP (NOMINATIONS)

The time is here again!

The way we enable our church to thrive is through the shared gifts and insights of all of our members

and friends. Each year, in order to structure our church life for effective ministry, the Committee on Lay Leadership (Nominations) is responsible for reviewing the gifts of the community and the needs of the church.

While much of our work focuses on equipping our existing organizational/committee life, we are also eager to assist all members in getting connected with ministries in which they can live out joyful discipleship.

In the next weeks and months our Nominations Committee will be reviewing our needs for leadership in the church's ministries. We do not know where everyone's gifts and interests lie, so we need you to tell us the dimension of church life in which you would be eager to take part!

I encourage you to take a look around the church community to identify the gifts of those you see, also examine your own gifts and discern where your own enthusiasm lies,... and give me a call with your thoughts! -- Pastor Hogan

READING SCRIPTURE

Would you be interested in reading scripture in the Sunday worship service?

How wonderful it is when we involve many voices in our weekly worship service!

If you would like to read scripture, you would always be informed by mid-week as to what passage is selected, so you would have plenty of time to become familiar with it.

If you are interested in participating in skits or other readings, as occasional opportunities come up that fit with the worship theme, you would work with others well in advance.

If you have interest, or questions, please be in touch with Pastor Hogan.



June Education Article

The Education programs at our church rely on the dedication of hard working volunteers. Their commitment and passion for teaching and learning sets our programs apart from the pack. Through their leadership our community has grown and learned so very much. So for all of our volunteer leaders who have helped make this another terrific year of learning at UMC of Summit we give you a really big...

Starting in the fall of 2014 our child care services will take on a new form. As you may be aware from 9:00am-11:30am we utilize the gifts of a paid staff of care providers to offer child care. While children are always welcome in worship, this fall we will offer extended options for childcare for those families that desire another alternative. Child care will be provided in the following ways:

- 9:00am-10:45am. Our staff care provider will be available in the church nursery to care for children whose parents are involved in Sunday morning activities during that time.
- 10:45am-11:30am. After the children's message in worship, families are welcome to send their children (Pre K-3rd grade) to the Green Room with a parent volunteer to meet our staff care provider and the children from the nursery for a time of Christian fellowship.

Ways to get involved with Summit UNC Education

Wow It's Wednesday

(Resumes in October)

4:30pm Snacks & Greeting

4:40pm Wesley Choir & Homework Help

5:00pm Devotions

5:00pm Conversations with Pastor Hogan

5:15pm Singing Believers & Green Room Time

6:00pm All Adjourn

Sunday School 9:30am

(Resumes Sept. 21):

Children (Pre K-3rd)
(2nd floor)

Tweens (4th – 7th)
(3rd floor)

Senior High (8th-12th)



Parents' Night Out



(Resumes in October)

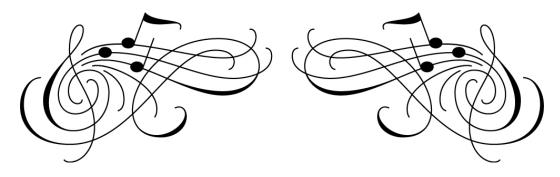
In the Green Room Suggested \$10 donation \$5 for every child after the first



Child Care is available on Sundays 9:00am-11:30am.

Beginning in the fall, childcare will look different. Please see above for details.

All Education activities will resume on or after September 21st



Thank you for sharing your most wonderful gift of music this season:

CAROL/WESLEY/SINGING BELIEVERS

Amanda Brown
Lucas Daniel
Sarah Daniel
James Goldman
Kayla Goldman
Maddie Johnson
William Johnson
Alec LaJeunesse
Parker LaJeunesse
Ayana McMillan

Caroline Relf
Oliver Relf
Isabel Reves

Isabel Reyes Joshua Reyes Bradley Smith Joseph Smith

HANDBELL CHOIR

Riley Smith

Chris Barry
Davis Barry
William Dembaugh
James Goldman
Kayla Goldman
Kim Goldman
Deanna Hoffman
Rachel Hoffman
Alison Johnson
William Johnson
Emily LaJeunesse
Jayme LaJeunesse
Adrian Phillips

CONTEMPORARY ENSEMBLE

Beverly Alexis
Bernice Griffith
Alison Johnson
Emily LaJeunesse
Jayme LaJeunesse
Jesse Reyes
Myrene Reyes
Andrew Sperry
Brian Tipton
Christine Tipton

CHANCEL CHOIR

Sopranos

Bernice Griffith
Latonia Hall
Emily LaJeunesse
Shela Waldron
Jacqueline Wasniewski

Altos

Beverly Alexis Ximenita Gonzalez Ann Houpt

Tenors

William Dembaugh William Houpt Samuel Quashie

Baritones

William Glancy James Goldman Adelmo Guidarelli Neil Johnson Jayme LaJeunesse William Teubner

VOCAL & INSTRUMENTAL SOLOISTS

William Dembaugh, Baritone
Jocelyn Gallinek, Flute
Jordyn Gallinek, Bassoon
Ximenita Gonzalez, Alto
Bernice Griffith, Soprano
Adelmo Guidarelli, Baritone
Latonia Hall, Soprano
Jesse Reyes, Guitar
William Robinson, Tenor
William Teubner, Trumpet
Jacqueline Wasniewski, Soprano

-- Joanne Teubner Prussak, Music Director

CHILDREN'S

Jesus Prays for His Disciples

I pray for them. I am not praying for the world, but for those you have given me, for they are yours. John 17:9 (NIV)



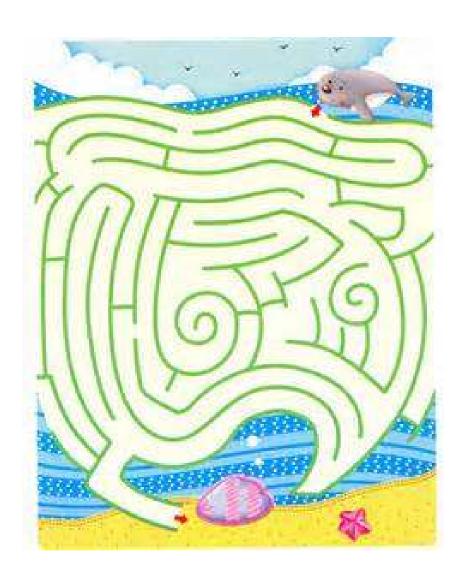


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PROTECT	OBEYED	HOLY	NAME	SENT
LONGER	FATHER	COME	WORLD	REMAIN



CHILDREN'S





FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

7TH ANNUAL CRICKET MATCH

DATE: Sunday, June 15th, 2014

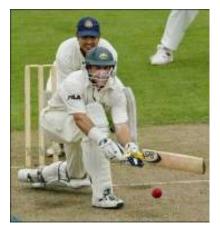
TIME: 2 - 6pm

PLACE: lower playing fields at

Kent Place School

(across the street from the Church)

Our cricket tradition is always a well attended event and fun for all the family. *If you are interested in playing or intend to watch*, please let **Neil Johnson** or **Adrian Philips** know, so that we can plan accordingly.



Refreshments will be available but we encourage spectators to bring along drinks and snacks to share.

For those of you not familiar with the national pastime of your fellow members hailing from England, the West Indies, Canada, India and many other countries around the world, cricket is a wonderfully social game and a great way to spend a Sunday afternoon. It is the second most popular spectator sport in the world and we will be happy to explain the rules as the afternoon unfolds!



SAVE THE DATE - FREE FISHING DAYS!

Do you like to fish? Have you heard of New Jersey's free fishing days? During *the weekend of June 14th – 15th*, any resident may fish on New Jersey's public waters without a license or trout stamp. A few of us are hoping to rent some kayaks on June 14th (weather permitting) and spend the day paddling & fishing the Delaware River.

Here are a few details:

- We would bring a bag lunch and meet at the river outfitter at 9am
- (http://www.chamberlaincanoes.com/) just over the Pennsylvania border.
- The outfitter will provide the kayaking gear and transport the group about 10 miles up river. The outfitter's cost is about \$45 per person.
- We will spend the day making our way back down (stopping for lunch) while fishing and enjoying the beauty of a day spent on the water.
- Depending on the current, we would return to the outfitter between 3:00 pm & 4:00pm and then head home.

Please drop Bill Hogan an email (whogan4@gmail.com) if you are interested

FOR YOUR INFORMATION:



NEW ADDRESS FOR THE HOUPTS!

Mr. and Mrs. William Houpt 11450 Asbury Circle, Apt. #325 Solomons, Maryland 20688



They hope everyone will come and visit!



FACEBOOK

Do you follow our Church's Facebook page? There you can find reminders of church activities, links to national and global articles of interest, and educational materials. Additionally, each weekend Pastor Hogan posts an article that invites you to participate in discussions about current events, theological issues, and community life. Join us in our Facebook conversation today!



CAUSE

Like all "first Sundays of the month" we collect nonperishable food items for CAUSE, the United Methodist food pantry in Jersey City. Drop off your items on your way into worship; feel free to leave them on the sanctuary pew near the entrance.



SUNDAY INFORMATION

- From July 6 through August 31 we worship at 10 am.
- While *we do not provide* **nursery care** during these months, the nursery is available for all to use

BIRTHDAYS & Anniversaries in June:

2	Jim Kennedy	15	Bob Zotti
4	Tommy Rockoff	17	Chris Barry
5	Steve Daniel	18	Andrew Aguilera
	Isabel Reyes		Richard & Kathy Rodriguez
6	Hannah Dietzel	21	Kenneth Clark
7	Judy Cornog	23	Fred & Joanne Prussak
9	Leslie & Chris Goetzl	25	Joshua Clough
10	Scott Daniel		Henry Lord
	Massimo Arbo & Corie Williams	28	Isabelle DeMartin
11	Betty Danielson	29	Tom Grau
	Greg Vartan	30	Stephen Brown
13	Gail Faulkner		1

Ann & Bill Houpt

June "To Do" List: **MEETINGS: Worship Committee Meeting** - 6/8 Ad Council Meeting - 6/10 **Board of Trustees Meeting** – 6/19 **Staff/Parish Meeting** - 6/26 MINISTRY: **CAUSE** - drop off donations every first Sunday **Prayer Warriors** - Wednesdays **Knitting Ministry** – 6/1, Thursdays and Fridays **Education Sunday** - 6/1 **Pentecost Sunday** – 6/8 Bible Study - Sunday, June 22nd & 29th AND MORE: Men's Fishing Day -6/14**Special Men's Choir - 6/15 (**please look in upcoming bulletins for more information) Cricket Match - 6/15 **Outdoor Coffee Hour** - 6/29

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
EDUCATION SUNDAY Knitting Ministry 11:30 am (Fellowship Room)	2	3	4 Prayer Warriors -11:30am	5 Knitting Ministry 11:00am (Fellowship Room)	6 Knitting Ministry 7:00pm (Fellowship Room)	7
8 PENTECOST Worship Committee Meeting - 9am (Fellowship Room)	9	10 Ad Council Meeting 7:30pm (Fellowship Room)	Prayer Warriors -11:30am	Knitting Ministry 11:00am (Fellowship Room)	Knitting Ministry 7:00pm (Fellowship Room)	14 Men's Fishing Day
Cricket Match 2-6pm (Kent Place School)	16	17	18 Prayer Warriors -11:30am	19 Board of Trustees Meeting – 7:30am Knitting Ministry 11am (Fellowship Room)	Knitting Ministry 7:00pm (Fellowship Room)	21
Bible Study 4:00 pm (Fellowship Room)	23	24	25 Prayer Warriors -11:30am	Knitting Ministry 11:00am (Fellowship Room) Staff/Parish Meeting 7:30pm (Fellowship Rm)	Knitting Ministry 7:00pm (Fellowship Room)	28
Outdoor Coffee Hour Bible Study 4:00 pm (Fellowship Room)	30					