



United Methodist  
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## January 23, 2022

*Welcome to the United Methodist Church of Summit! We invite you to join us on a journey of faith, worshiping and serving God.*

**PRELUDE:** *Processional on "Holy God"*

### GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### MISSION SPOTLIGHT

Johanna Aguilera  
Co-Chair Outreach Committee

### PREPARATION OF HEARTS AND MINDS FOR WORSHIP

#### **\*CALL TO WORSHIP:**

Carol Conway

*(please rise as you are able)*

Leader: The Spirit of God is upon us.

**People: We are called to be God's people.**

Leader: The Spirit of the Lord has anointed us.

**People: We are called to be the body of Christ.**

Leader: Come Holy Spirit, wash over us this day.

**People: Let us worship God who binds us together in love and service to the world.**

#### **\*CENTERING PRAYER:** *(in unison)*

**Bountiful God, you have blessed us with so many gifts. In this time of worship, may we be open to receiving these gifts. Help us claim our gifts and use them to bring liberation and justice to a hurting world. May the words of our mouths, and the meditations of our hearts, be acceptable to you. May the transforming Spirit of joy and unity bind us together as your body, that we may be your hands and feet and voice.**

#### **\*OPENING HYMN:** *(please remain standing as you are able)*

*How Great Thou Art*

Latonia Hall, Song Leader

UMH #77

### CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Natalie Palacio, CYF Minister

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Carol Conway

#### **SCRIPTURE:**

New Testament: 1 Corinthians 12:12-31 (NRSV)

New Testament: Luke 4:14-21 (NRSV)

Carol Conway

#### **\*HYMN OF PREPARATION:** *(please rise as you are able)*

*Spirit of the Living God (sung 2x)*

UMH #393

### MESSAGE:

*Sunday Sauce*

Rev. Laura Steele

### OFFERING

*(please place your weekly offering in the offering plates)*

**MUSIC FOR MEDITATION:**

*Voluntary on an "Early American Hymn"*

**\*DOXOLOGY** *(please rise as you are able)*

*Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*

UMH #95

**\*CLOSING HYMN:** *(please rise as you are able)*

*They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love*

TFWS #2223

**\*BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE:** *Majestic Recessional*

***\* Please rise in body or spirit as you are able.***

***Hearing Aid Receivers and Large Print Hymnals are available from our ushers.***

**In Our Thoughts and Prayers**

Lindsay Fauth, Family of Christopher Juliano, Leroy, Joan D, Rick Picorale, Gregory Carter, Baby William Joseph Kenny and family for healing and strength, Jane McKinley, Kathy Whipps (Alison's mom), family of Dara Callender, Walter, Doug, Jonathan, Tina Marie, those struggling with mental health, Family Promise Team, Ken Green, Rosa Smith, Christine Zotti, Betty, Madison, all those suffering from the effects of COVID-19.

**Schedule for Week of January 23, 2022**

**Sunday, January 23:**

9:00am Instrumentalists (Sanctuary)  
9:30am Chancel Choir – TBD  
9:30am Christian Drama Club – Resumes February 6  
10:30am In-person/online Worship  
10:45am Sunday School (2nd floor)  
11:30am Coffee Hour (Social Hall)  
11:30am Bell Choir – TBD  
12:00pm Singing Believers – TBD  
12:15pm Contemporary Ensemble – TBD  
6:00pm Youth Group – Resumes February 6  
7:30-8:30pm Pilgrim Group (Basement)

**Monday, January 24:**

7:30pm Ad Council Meeting (via Zoom)  
7:30-8:30pm Pilgrim Group (Basement)  
7:45-9:30pm GA (Chapel and Fellowship Room)

**Tuesday, January 25:**

9:30-12:15pm Music Together (Social Hall)  
1:00-9:30pm Debbi's Dance School (Dance Studio)  
7:30-8:30pm Pilgrim Group (Basement)

**Wednesday, January 26:**

9:30-11:30am Music Together (Social Hall)  
1:00-9:30pm Debbi's Dance School (Dance Studio)  
7:30-8:30pm Pilgrim Group (Basement)

**Thursday, January 27:**

3:30-9:00pm Debbi's Dance School (Dance Studio)

**Friday, January 28:**

9:30-12:15pm Music Together (Social Hall)  
7:30-8:30pm Pilgrim Group (Basement)

**Saturday, January 29:**

8:00am – 2:30pm Debbi's Dance School (Dance Studio)  
9:30-13:30am Music Together (Social Hall)

**Children, Youth and Family Ministries Update**

Our Children, Families, and Youth Ministries programming has started once again. Each Sunday there is something for everyone! Under the direction of our new Children, Families, and Youth Minister; our new Sunday schedule for children and youth is as follows:

**9:30AM-10:15AM: Christian Drama Club for ages K-12th grade (Social Hall) – taking a break until February 6**

**10:30AM-10:45AM: Worship in the Sanctuary**

**10:45AM - 11:30AM: Sunday school for ages K-5th grade (2nd floor)**

**11:30AM: Coffee Hour**

\*Children are always welcome to stay in worship, Sunday school is optional for those families who wish to attend.

If you have any questions, please email our Children, Youth, and Families Minister Natalie Palacio at: [CYFMinister@umcsummit.org](mailto:CYFMinister@umcsummit.org)

**Join Our Music Ministries!****Chancel Choir: TBD**

Won't you come and join us as we sing joyful and meaningful songs to the Lord? It's a joy to work together and lift our voices in praise of our Maker. The Chancel Choir rehearsals continue at 9:30am each Sunday in the Sanctuary.

**Wesley Singers: TBD**

Children and youth who would like to sing songs of faith please share your gifts of music on Saturday morning at 11:30am in our Sanctuary. We will make a joyful sound to the Lord.

**Bell Choir: TBD**

Come and try ringing hand bells and hand chimes with your church friends. Rehearsals are Sundays at 11:45am in the Sanctuary.

**Singing Believers: TBD**

We welcome all children 4 years old and up, to sing joyful songs of the church each Sunday at 12:00 noon in the Sanctuary. Please have a snack at coffee hour, then come back to church to share fun songs of faith.

**Contemporary Ensemble: TBD**

Our Contemporary Ensemble shares music for Holy Communion each month. The Ensemble uses music from the contemporary hymnals "The Faith We Sing" and "Worship and Song". Rehearsals will be on Sundays and 12:15pm in the Sanctuary.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:



### **COVID19 Update – January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

The United Methodist Church of Summit has been watching the number of COVID cases and hospitalizations in our area closely over the past few weeks. Please note we are taking precautionary steps to prevent the spread of COVID19 and other transmissible viruses.

Masks and social distancing are required for all persons regardless of vaccination status at all worship services and when inside the building. At this time, we will continue in our hybrid worship style with both in-person and online worship at 10:30AM every Sunday. We will be postponing the return of all choirs until at least mid-February, please stay tuned for the official date to be announced. In the interim we will have one song leader during worship. We are also limiting the number of persons leading Sunday morning worship with only one liturgist and prayer leader each week. Our Children's Sunday School program is implementing new social distancing and cleaning protocols.

We know it's super hard, but please refrain from hugging folks outside of your immediate household at this time. We will catch up on hugs in the spring! Please self-monitor accordingly and if you have any symptoms of any kind we encourage you to worship with us virtually. Thank you so much for your cooperation in creating a safe space for our congregation and community.



### **New and Old Members Class**

**Classes are being moved to February - date TBD.**

Are you interested in learning more about membership at UMC of Summit? Would you like to brush up on what it means to be United Methodist? Join Pastor Laura and others as we explore Wesleyan theology and what makes the United Methodist Church special.

**Upcoming Meeting:**

**Ad Council**

Monday, January 24 at 7:30pm via Zoom



# Summit-wide Collection

until February 6th

**Adult Diapers**  
**Feminine Hygiene Pads**  
**Cleaning Supplies**

## Collection sites

Beacon UU Congregation- 4 Waldron Street

Central Church - 70 Maple Street

The Connection - 79 Maple Street

YMCA - 67 Maple Street

To benefit Family Promise of Union County,  
Sage Eldercare, and GRACE



## Donations Needed for YWCA:

The YWCA's mission is to provide a safe and supportive residential program, offering a range of programs and referrals to sustain individuals and keep families strong during periods of crisis. Accommodations include private rooms for families, as well as community dining areas, and laundry facilities.

Summit UMC will begin 2022 with an ongoing outreach project to support the

YWCA of Newark's mission. We will be collecting items to create welcome bags for women and families of the YWCA. **Items are: planners, lotions, shampoo, conditioner, slippers, socks, and body sprays** (please keep in mind we are looking for hair products that would serve a diverse variety of hair types and genders) Please bring in items on Sunday mornings and place them in the bins located at the entrances and exits to the sanctuary, or you can drop off donations to the box outside the church office on Deforest Ave. We are blessed to be a blessing!



**Sunday School Chaperones Needed:**

Thank you to all the parents and children who helped in putting together the Christmas Pageant. We could not have done it without you!

Looking towards the 2022 New Year Already!

**Currently, we are short on chaperones for the start of the New Year.**

Please review the available slots on the NEW SIGN UP GENIUS

weblink: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f4ea5a92aa6f5c16-sunday>

If you are able, please consider volunteering for both our Christian Drama Club Hour and Sunday School Class. This would be very helpful for programming!

You have the option to switch/coordinate with another parent to switch between the morning programs too. Let us know and we will help schedule as well. Thank you!

**Combined Madison, Chatham, & Summit UMC  
Youth Group Gathering!  
Sunday, February 6, 2022  
6:00pm-8:00pm  
The United Methodist Church in **Madison**  
24 Madison Ave  
Madison, NJ 07940**





### **Oh the Weather Outside is....**

Here in New Jersey we get to enjoy beautiful seasonal weather changes. At the United Methodist Church of Summit, the safety and well-being of our congregation and staff is one of our most important concerns. In the case of inclement weather, the following steps will be taken to communicate any cancellations or changes to services and building usage.

**In Person Sunday Worship Services:** At 7:00 am on a Sunday with questionable conditions, Pastor Laura will make the decision whether or not to cancel in-person worship. This decision will be made depending on but not limited to the following conditions: If the local or state government has declared a state of emergency, if people are being warned to stay off the road, if the electricity is out, or if the heat is not working.

If in-person worship is canceled, Pastor Laura will record and upload an abbreviated worship service to our Facebook page, by noon (sermon, prayer, announcements)

Updates will be posted to our Facebook page, Website, and the church phone message will be updated with any weather cancellations: (908) 277-1700.

Committee and building groups will be canceled at the discretion of the chairpersons and leaders.

**Midweek Church Office Closures:** If the Summit School District is closed, and staff members are able to travel, they may choose to do so if conditions are safe. Otherwise, they may choose to work remotely.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call the church office at (908) 277-1700.



## **Affordable Home Ownership Opportunity**

146 Morris Avenue, Summit, NJ

Seeking LOW and MODERATE income applicant(s) for 12 affordable condominiums. Two (2) and Three (3) bedroom condominiums available. This project is suitable for families with a household size of at least 2 people to a maximum of 6 people, depending on number of bedrooms. These homes will be built to ENERGY STAR standards. First floor condominiums will be ADA accessible. Home Sale Prices\* 3—2 Bedroom (Low ) - \$100,000 3—2 Bedroom (Mod) - \$145,000 3—3 Bedroom (Low) - \$120,000 1—3 Bedroom (Mod) - \$184,000 2—3 Bedroom (Mod) - \$200,000

**To Qualify:** • All persons applying and using income for qualification purposes must be a US citizen or legal resident. • Minimum income of approximately \$30,000 • Minimum credit score of at least 600.

### **Information Sessions:**

Attend one of these mandatory VIRTUAL information sessions:

*Tuesday, January 11th, 6pm Saturday*

*January 15th, 9am Thursday*

*January 20th, 6pm (Spanish only)*

**Register online:** <https://www.morrishabitat.org/homeownership/apply-for-home-ownership>

### **Application Deadline:**

*February 11th @ 5pm*

Random Selection Drawing: March 17th @ 1pm

Visit [www.MorrisHabitat.org](http://www.MorrisHabitat.org) for more information 973-891-1934