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February 27th, 2022
Transfiguration Sunday

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

PRELUDE: "Festival Procession" Gustav Holst

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PREPARATION OF HEARTS AND MINDS FOR WORSHIP

***CALL TO WORSHIP:** Jesse Reyes
(please rise as you are able)

Leader: Lord, you have called us to the mountaintop.

People: Help us to look forward to where you would have us go.

Leader: Help us to listen carefully to the words of your healing love.

People: Open our hearts and spirits to receive your glorious directions.

Leader: May we place our trust in Your ways.

People: Lord, we have come here to give our lives to you.

***CENTERING PRAYER:** *(in unison)* Jesse Reyes

Holy God, upon the mountain you revealed our Messiah, who by his death and resurrection would fulfill both the law and the prophets. By his transfiguration enlighten our path that we may dare to suffer with him in the service of humanity and so share in the everlasting glory of him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God, forever. AMEN.

***OPENING HYMN:** *(please remain standing as you are able)*
Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

UMH #89

CHILDREN'S MOMENT Natalie Palacio, CYF Minister

CHOIR ANTHEM "Halle, Halle, Halle"
Chancel Choir Hal Hopson

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Rev. Laura Steele

SCRIPTURE Jesse Reyes

Old Testament: Psalm 99 (NRSV)

The Lord is king; let the peoples tremble! He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake! The Lord is great in Zion; he is exalted over all the peoples. Let them praise your great and awesome name. Holy is he! Mighty King, lover of justice, you have established equity; you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob. Extol the Lord our God; worship at his footstool. Holy is he! Moses and Aaron were among his priests, Samuel also was among those who called on his name. They cried to the Lord, and he answered them. He spoke to them in the pillar of cloud; they kept his decrees, and the statutes that he gave them. O Lord our God, you answered them; you were a forgiving God to them, but an avenger of their wrongdoings. Extol the Lord our God, and worship at his holy mountain; for the Lord our God is holy.

New Testament: Luke 9:28-36 (NRSV)

Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake,] they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah"—not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

***HYMN OF PREPARATION:** *(please rise as you are able)*
Be Thou My Vision

UMH #451

SERMON: *The Transfiguration*

Rev. Laura Steele

OFFERING

(please place your weekly offering in the offering plates)

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION

Voluntary on the Spiritual "Whole World"

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

"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

UMH #95

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

Shine Jesus Shine

TFWS #2173

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE: *Voluntary on "Lord I Lift Your Name on High"*

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

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

Children, Youth and Family Ministries:

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

9:30AM-11:30AM Nursery Care Available in the Nursery

9:30AM-10:15AM: Christian Drama Club for ages K-12th grade (Social Hall)

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.

Youth Group every first Sunday of the month, 6PM-8PM

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

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Cory Fish, Shela Waldron, family and friends of Mike Cruz, Lindsay Fauth, family of Christopher Juliano, Leroy, Joan D, Gregory Carter, Baby William Joseph Kenny and family for healing and strength, Kathy Whipps (Alison's mom), Walter, Doug, Jonathan, those struggling with mental health, Ken Green, Christine Zotti, Betty, Madison.

Schedule for Week of February 27, 2022

Sunday, February 27:

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

Monday, February 28:

7:30-8:30pm Pilgrim Group (Basement)
7:45-9:30pm GA (Chapel and Fellowship Room)

Tuesday, March 1:

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, March 2:

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

Thursday, March 3:

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

Friday, March 4:

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

Saturday, March 5:

8:00am – 2:30pm Debbi's Dance School (Dance Studio)
9:30-11:30am Music Together (Social Hall)
11:30am Wesley Singers

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

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:

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:

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

Singing Believers:

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:

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.



Ash Wednesday Service
March 2nd, 7:00PM in the Chapel



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Easter Egg Hunt Collection

This year the Children, Youth, and Families Ministry is planning a community **Easter Egg Hunt for Saturday, April 9th**; and we need your help! We are collecting baskets, plastic Easter eggs, and egg fillers. There will be baskets set up to collect items at the front and back of the sanctuary. You can also drop off donations

to the church office Mon-Fri. from 9am-3pm. (Egg fillers are small, individually wrapped candy – no nuts, and/or small toys)

Parents' Night Out: Popcorn, Movie, & Games

Parents can drop off their kids kick back, relax, & enjoy an evening out! **Friday, March 25**

6:00pm - 8:00pm

Suggested donation of \$10 per child.



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. 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!



Join us for our 2022 Lenten Journey "Seven Mile Miracle"

Each week we will explore a different spiritual discipline during worship and study the book "*Seven Mile Miracle*" during our 9:30AM Bible Study class. On Sunday afternoons at 1PM, we will walk a mile together at Briant Park. By Easter Sunday, we will have walked seven miles! Please see the newsletter for more detailed information.

Lent Soup Suppers and Worship start March 9th

Join us Wednesday evenings March 9th- April 13th, as we gather together for Lenten soup suppers and worship. If you are willing to provide a simple soup supper on one of the Wednesday nights, please add your name to the sign-up sheet in the Social Hall. Following the supper, at 7:00PM, we will gather in the Chapel for a brief service of worship.



**UMC Summit Youth Group Summer Mission Trip
Christian Outreach Project
Sunday, June 26th – Saturday, July 2nd, 2022**

*If you are a high school student or an adult interested in attending/chaperoning this event,
please contact Ms. Natalie at CYFMinister@umcsummit.org*