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**April 3rd, 2022**  
**Fifth Sunday in Lent**

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

**PRELUDE:** "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring" J.S. Bach

**GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PREPARATION OF HEARTS AND MINDS FOR WORSHIP**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP:** Alison Johnson  
*(please rise as you are able)*

Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made,

**People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

Leader: Precious Lord, we come before you this day filled with so many thoughts and feelings.

**People: The Lord says: "Come to me all who are burdened and heavy laden."**

Leader: We come to You this day, to worship, knowing that you are with us through hard times and good.

**People: Come, Let us worship the God of our hope and salvation!**

**\*CENTERING PRAYER:** *(in unison)* Alison Johnson

**Gracious and Holy God, we come together this day in praise and thanksgiving. We are in awe of your sacred presence. May we be reminded to focus on you no matter what storms may pass. Despite our shortcomings, you are ever faithful. Humbly we will worship You, O God, the One who is worthy of all our praises. AMEN.**

**\*OPENING HYMN:** *(please remain standing as you are able)*  
*"How Great Thou Art"*

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**CHILDREN'S MOMENT** Ms. Natalie Palacio, CYF Minister

**CHOIR ANTHEM** "Kyrie" Antonin Dvorak  
Chancel Choir

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE** Carol Conway

**SCRIPTURE:** Alison Johnson

**Old Testament: Isaiah 43:16a, 18-21 (NRSV)**

Thus says the Lord, Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.

**New Testament: John 4 (NIV)**

**Jesus Talks With a Samaritan Woman**

Now he had to go through Samaria. So he came to a town in Samaria called Sychar, near the plot of ground Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired as he was from the journey, sat down by the well. It was about noon. When a Samaritan woman

came to draw water, Jesus said to her, "Will you give me a drink?" (His disciples had gone into the town to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, "You are a Jew and I am a Samaritan woman. How can you ask me for a drink?" (For Jews do not associate with Samaritans). Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God and who it is that asks you for a drink, you would have asked him and he would have given you living water." "Sir," the woman said, "you have nothing to draw with and the well is deep. Where can you get this living water?" Jesus answered, "Everyone who drinks *this* water will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks the water I give them will never thirst. Indeed, the water I give them will become in them a spring of water welling up to eternal life." The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water so that I won't get thirsty and have to keep coming here to draw water." "Sir," the woman said, "I can see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you Jews claim that the place where we must worship is in Jerusalem." "Woman," Jesus replied, "believe me, a time is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You Samaritans worship what you do not know; we worship what we do know, for salvation is from the Jews. Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in the Spirit and in truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks. God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in the Spirit and in truth."

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

*"Come and Find the Quiet Center"*

TFWS #2128

**SERMON:**

*Mile Marker 5: Worship*

Rev. Laura Steele

**OFFERING**

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

**MUSIC FOR MEDITATION**

*"Majestic Fanfare for Bells"*

Bell Choir

M. Keller

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

*"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"*

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**SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**

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**COMMUNION MUSIC**

*"Jesus Is a Rock in a Weary Land"*

Contemporary Ensemble

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

*"One Bread, One Body"*

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**\*BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE:**

*"Recessional for Trumpet and Organ"* R. Wetzler

**\* 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**

Adrian Philips, the family of Adrea C. Linder: Joseph, Joshua, and Hannah. Scott Davis, Cory Fish, Shela Waldron, family and friends of Mike Cruz, Lindsay Fauth, family of Christopher Juliano, Joan D, Gregory Carter, Kathy Whipps (Alison's mom), Walter, Doug, Jonathan, those struggling with mental health, Ken Green, Christine Zotti, Betty, Madison

### **Weekly Schedule:**

#### **Sunday, April 3:**

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  
1:00pm Briant Park Walk  
6:00pm Bowling at STRYXE  
7:30-8:30pm Pilgrim Group (Basement)

#### **Monday, April 4:**

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

#### **Tuesday, April 5:**

1:00-9:30pm Debbi's Dance School (Dance Studio)  
7:00pm Book Study  
7:30-8:30pm Pilgrim Group (Basement)

#### **Wednesday, April 6:**

1:00-9:30pm Debbi's Dance School (Dance Studio)  
6:30pm Soup Supper (Social Hall)  
7:00pm Lenten Service (Chapel)  
7:30-8:30pm Pilgrim Group (Basement)  
7:30-9:30pm Toastmasters (Social Hall)

#### **Thursday, April 7:**

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

#### **Friday, April 8:**

7:30-8:30pm Pilgrim Group (Basement)

#### **Saturday, April 9:**

8:00am – 2:30pm Debbi's Dance School (Dance Studio)  
11:30am Wesley Singers  
1:00pm Easter Egg Hunt  
3-10pm Gincley Birthday Party (Social Hall)  
6-7:00pm Hanna Wedding Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

## **Join Our Music Ministries!**

### **Chancel Choir:**

It's a joy to work together and lift our voices in praise of our Maker. Our Chancel Choir rehearses at 9:30am each Sunday in the Sanctuary.

### **Wesley Singers:**

Children and youth sing songs of faith and share their gifts of music on Saturday morning at 11:30am in our Sanctuary. Make a joyful sound to the Lord.

### **Bell Choir:**

Our Bell choir rings joyous music of faith. Rehearsals are Sundays at 11:30am 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 are on Sundays at 12:15pm in the Sanctuary.

## **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](mailto:CYFMinister@umcsummit.org)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Youth Group Bowling Night: All Middle/High School Youth



**Sunday, April 3, 2022**

**6:00pm – 8:00pm**

At STRYXE, 300 Main Street Madison, NJ

\$35 per player includes: Unlimited lanes & arcade, pizza & beverages.

RSVP in advance:

[CYFMinister@umcsummit.org](mailto:CYFMinister@umcsummit.org)

### Easter Egg Hunt:

**Saturday, April 9.** This year the Children, Youth, and Families Ministry is planning a community Easter egg hunt. Come join the fun!



### Scholarship Available for Graduating Seniors:

Attention Graduating Seniors: The United Methodist Church of Summit awards two memorial scholarships of distinction annually. One scholarship is open to any member of the United Methodist Church of Summit who meets the scholarship qualifications and the second is available to any young woman residing in Summit, NJ with financial need who meets the scholarship qualifications. The annual amount of the scholarship will vary by year. To learn more visit [umcsummit.org](http://umcsummit.org) and click on the "2022 Scholarship Application" button. Scholarship forms are also available at the welcome desk. If you have any questions, please contact Children, Youth, and Families Minister Natalie Palacio at [CYFMinister@umcsummit.org](mailto:CYFMinister@umcsummit.org)



# SEVEN-MILE MIRACLE

### 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". 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 9<sup>th</sup>**

Join us Wednesday evenings March 9<sup>th</sup>- April 6<sup>th</sup>, as we gather together for Lenten soup suppers at 6:30pm 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.



**Join us for Holy Week:**

Palm Sunday April 10th, 10:30AM (Sanctuary)  
Maundy Thursday April 14th, 7:00PM (Chapel)  
Good Friday April 15th, 7:00PM (Chapel)