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May 1, 2022
Native American Ministries 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: *“Be Thou with Me”* J.S. Bach

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PREPARATION OF HEARTS AND MINDS FOR WORSHIP

***CALL TO WORSHIP:** Bill Glancy

(please rise as you are able)

Leader: How wonderful are the works of God!

People: We give thanks and praise for the beauty of Creation.

Leader: God made all living things-- animals, plants, & humans--and calls us to care for and protect them all.

People: As people of faith, we strive to care for all of Creation.

Leader: God equips and empowers us to live as good stewards.

People: Let us worship and praise God together!

***CENTERING PRAYER:** *(in unison)* Bill Glancy

O, Holy Spirit, whose breath gives life to the world and whose voice is heard in the soft breeze, we need your strength and wisdom. Come to us, make your presence known among us. Swirl like the wind and fill us with your cleansing power. We join with all of Creation to sing the song of the stars; to rejoice in the sunlight; and to breathe in Your life-giving air. May we be made new by the living water offered through the risen Christ. AMEN.

***OPENING HYMN:** *(please remain standing as you are able)*
In the Garden

UMH #314

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

Rev. Laura Steele

CHOIR ANTHEM

“Timeless Love”
Chancel Choir

Thomas Fettke

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Beverly Alexis

SCRIPTURE:

Bill Glancy

Old Testament: Song of Solomon 6 (NRSV)

My beloved has gone down to his garden, to the beds of spices, to pasture his flock in the gardens, and to gather lilies. I am my beloved’s and my beloved is mine; he pastures his flock among the lilies.

New Testament: Matthew 6:25-29 (NRSV)

Do Not Worry

Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these.

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

"This is My Father's World"

UMH #144

MESSAGE:

"In the Garden"

Rev. Laura Steele

with GreenFaith update by Bill Glancy

OFFERING

(if you would like to contribute to Native American Ministries please make a notation on your check)

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION

Voluntary on "I Will Arise and Go to Jesus"

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

"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

UMH #95

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

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(There are two options to receive communion depending on your comfort level. Prepackaged communion elements are located at the entrances to the sanctuary or you may come forward to the altar. The ushers will guide the congregation to come forward pew by pew. Please take one bread container and one juice cup. If you need the elements brought to you where you are seated please indicate your need to an usher. Gluten free elements are available at the sanctuary entrances.)

COMMUNION *"There's a Spirit of Love in This Place"*

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

"Hymn of Promise"

UMH #707

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE: *Voluntary on "Mighty God, We Praise Thy Name"*

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

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Helga Ruttkamp, Beth Van Brunt, 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, Christine Zotti, Betty, Madison



Pastor Laura will be away from Monday May 2nd, through Friday, May 5th. If you have a pastoral emergency (death, serious accident, etc.) please contact Rev. Victor Franco of the New Providence UMC at: (732) 925-4133. If you need general pastoral care (someone to pray with, someone to talk to, etc.) please contact Lay Leader Beverly Alexis.

Weekly Schedule:

Sunday, May 1:

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
6:00-8:00pm Youth Group (Madison UMC)
7:30-8:30pm Pilgrim Group (Basement)

Monday, May 2:

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

Tuesday, May 3:

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, May 4:

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

Thursday, May 5:

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

Friday, May 6:

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

Saturday, May 7:

8:00am – 2:30pm Debbi's Dance School (Dance Studio)
9:30am -11:15am Music Together (Playground)
11:30am Wesley Singers

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 (Green Room, 2nd floor)

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Youth Group

May 1st, 6pm-8pm

All youth 6th-12th grade are invited to join us for our combined youth group meeting with Madison and Chatham UMC's youth. This month we will meet at Madison UMC, 24 Madison Ave.



Prayer Service for Peace on Sunday, May 1 at 4:00 p.m.

The Metro Highland's Region is hosting a **Prayer Service for Peace**, This service will take place both virtually and in person at the Bridgewater UMC, 651 Country Club Rd, Bridgewater, NJ 08807.

Parent's Night Out:

May 20, 6-8pm

Join us for our next Parent's Night Out! Parents can drop off the kids, kick back and enjoy an evening off. Kids will have pizza and snacks, play games, and watch a movie. Parent's Night Out meets upstairs in the Green Room and Youth Lounge. Suggested donation of \$10.00 per child cash or check.



Your Help is Needed:

May of 2022 will mark the 40th anniversary of Shawn Callender Hogan's Ordination in the United Methodist Church. I would like to extend an invitation to the members of your congregation to celebrate this milestone by sending Shawn a congratulations card, or note acknowledging her ministry and the impact it had on them while their Pastor. I am looking to gather these messages in the hope of surprising her following this year's Annual Conference. Please send your comments/cards to my attention at

the following address by May 20th:

Bill Hogan
PO Box 435
South Seaville, NJ 08246

**Bike, Walk, or Take Mass Transit to Church Sunday
June 5th, 2022**

Join us as we live out our call to creation care by biking, walking, or taking mass transit to church on June 5th. Please park bikes in the Social Hall.



Volunteers Needed:

We are looking for volunteers for coffee hour. A sign-up sheet is available in the Social Hall. Any questions? Please see Debbi.