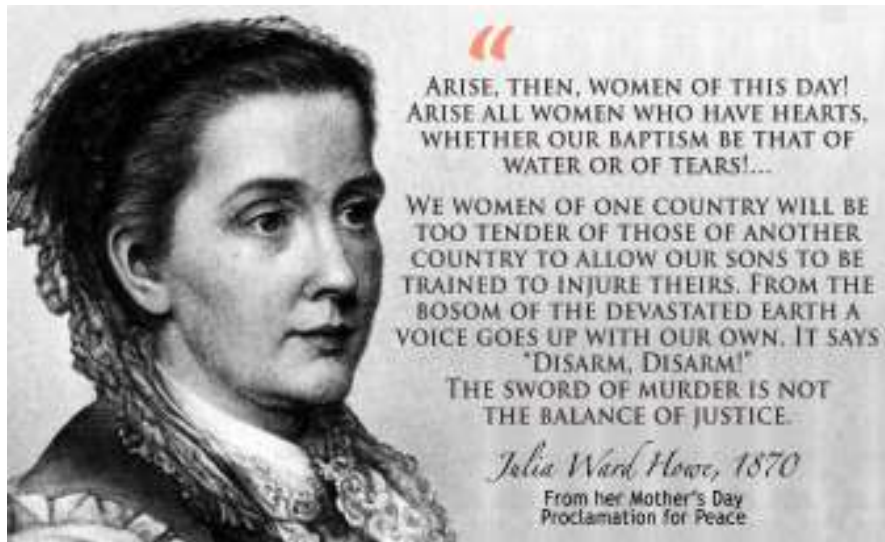




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May 8, 2022
Mother's Day
Celebrating Those Who Nurture

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

PRELUDE: "Where'er You Walk" G.F. Handel

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Beverly Alexis

PREPARATION OF HEARTS AND MINDS FOR WORSHIP

ANTHEM "Love, Love, Love, That's What It's All About"
Singing Believers

***CALL TO WORSHIP:** Beverly Alexis

(please rise as you are able)

Leader: See what love has been given to us, that we should be called children of God.

People: By this we know love, that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh, and lived and died, that God's love might be made plain among us.

Leader: Therefore, beloved, let us know love in word or in speech but in deed and in truth.

People: Because we love one another, we know that we have passed from death into life.

All: This is the victory that overcomes the world, through Jesus our risen Christ. Amen.

Ruth Duck, Bread for the Journey

***CENTERING PRAYER:** *(in unison)* Beverly Alexis

O Beloved One, all the ends of the earth marvel at your great deeds of love; we feel your presence; we rejoice as we remember your faithfulness and steadfast love revealed in the risen Christ. Surround us with that faithfulness and steadfast love. Fill us with generosity and courage so that we may be called your children and go forth to befriend your world. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

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

"For All the Saints" (vv. 1-4)

UMH #711

CHILDREN'S MOMENT Natalie Palacio, CYF Minister

CHOIR ANTHEM "We Are the Children of Promise"
Chancel Choir J. Raney

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Beverly Alexis

SCRIPTURE: Beverly Alexis

Old Testament: Proverbs 31:25-31 (NLT)

She is clothed with strength and dignity, and she laughs without fear of the future. When she speaks, her words are wise, and she gives instructions with kindness. She carefully watches everything in her household and suffers nothing from laziness. Her children stand and bless

her. Her husband praises her: "There are many virtuous and capable women in the world, but you surpass them all!" Charm is deceptive, and beauty does not last; but a woman who fears the Lord will be greatly praised. Reward her for all she has done. Let her deeds publicly declare her praise.

New Testament: Acts 9:36-43 (NRSV)

Peter in Lydda and Joppa

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

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

"Mothering God You Gave Me Birth"

TFWS #2050

MESSAGE: *"Mothers of Methodism"*

Dr. Ashley Boggan D., Phd

General Secretary of the UMC General Commission of Archives and History (GCAH)

OFFERING

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION

Voluntary on "Near to the Heart of God"

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

"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

UMH #95

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

"The Battle Hymn of the Republic" (vv. 1-4)

UMH #717

(In the USA, Methodist poet, author, and women's suffragist Julia Ward Howe suggested the idea of Mother's Day in 1872. Howe, who wrote the words to The Battle Hymn of the Republic, saw Mother's Day as being dedicated to peace. Early advocates of Mother's Day in the United States originally envisioned it as a day of peace, to honor and support mothers who lost sons and husbands to the carnage of the Civil War.)

***BENEDICTION**

Beverly Alexis

POSTLUDE: *"Majestic Recessional"* M.A. Charpentier

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

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Lou and Juliet, 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

Weekly Schedule:

Sunday, May 8:

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, May 9:

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

Tuesday, May 10:

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 11:

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 12:

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

Friday, May 13:

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

Saturday, May 14:

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

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



Volunteers Needed for the Memorial Garden:

Help is needed to spread mulch and wrap-up any planting / weeding in all the garden areas. **May 9** starting at 9:30am (finishing before lunch) and Saturday, **May 21** from 9:30-noon.

Gift Cards Needed:

For our May Family Promise virtual hosting week, we are collecting \$25 Shoprite gift cards for 6 families

Please drop off cards or a designated donation at the church office or into the offering plate. If you purchase online you can have them mailed to the church office for \$2 (go to www.shoprite.com/giftcards).



Come celebrate Brian Tipton's graduation! The Tipton family would like to invite the UMC Summit church family to stop by the playground area on Saturday, May 14th, between the hours of 1pm-5pm, to celebrate Brian's completion of the PhD program in New Testament & Early Christianity with the Graduate Division of Religion at Drew University.

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.





**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.