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April 30th, 2023

Fourth Sunday of Easter

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

PRELUDE Voluntary on “*Thou Art With Me*”
for Trumpet and Organ

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PREPARATION OF HEARTS AND MINDS FOR WORSHIP

***CALL TO WORSHIP** Carol Conway

(please rise as you are able)

Leader: The Good Shepherd calls.

People: He knows us by name.

Leader: The Good Shepherd leads.

People: We are here to listen and to follow.

Leader: Our Good Shepherd protects and provides.

People: Good Shepherd, guide us to the greater good.

***CENTERING PRAYER:** *(in unison)* Carol Conway

Shepherding God, bring us into your fold. Lead us beside still waters and restore our souls. Help us see the way we should go, the way we should live. Help us hear your voice calling our name. Enliven this time of worship, so that we may find true life as we join with others in praising your name, celebrating your great goodness, and sharing your love for all people. Amen.

***OPENING HYMN:** “*Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us*” UMH#381
(please remain standing as you are able)

CHILDREN’S MOMENT Rev. Laura Steele

ANTHEM “*Jesus, The Carpenter*” Joseph Martin
Chancel Choir

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Alison Johnson

SCRIPTURE READING

Carol Conway

Old Testament: Psalm 23 *(NRSV)*

The Divine Shepherd

A Psalm of David.

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside still waters; he restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long.

New Testament: John 10:1-10 *(NRSV)*

Jesus the Good Shepherd

"Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers." Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them. So again Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits, but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.

***HYMN OF PREPARATION:** *(please rise as you are able)*
"The Summons" TFWs#2130

SERMON: *"Thieves, Bandits, and the Shepherd...Oh my!"*
Rev. Laura Steele

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

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION
"Before the Throne of God Above"
William Teubner, Trumpet

***DOXOLOGY:** *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow* UMH# 94

***CLOSING HYMN:** *(please rise as you are able)*
"Close to Thee" UMH#407

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE *"Praise, My Soul, The King of Heaven"*

** Please rise in body or spirit as you are able.*
**Please join us in the Social Hall after service for coffee and refreshments.*

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Family of Betty Zabrocky, family of Norma Dowe, Tamisha Ramsay, Janet Skakum, Jessica, the Miles family, the Menendez and Aguilera family, Lisa Wood, Mike (MaryEllen DeJohn's brother), family of Linda Dawson, Carmel Christensen, John Jennings, Chris Zotti and son Jack, gun violence in America and Bob Reed.

This Week's Schedule

Sunday, April 30:

9:00am-9:30am	Instrumentalists (Sanctuary)
9:30am-10:30am	Drama Club (Green Room)
9:30am-10:15am	Chancel Choir(Sanctuary)
10:30am-11:30am	In-person/online Worship (Sanctuary)
10:45am-11:30am	Sunday School
11:30am-12:30pm	Coffee Hour (Social Hall)
11:30am-12:00pm	Bell Choir(Sanctuary)
12:10pm-12:30pm	Singing Believers(Sanctuary)
12:30pm-1:00pm	Contemporary Ensemble
7:30pm-8:30pm	Pilgrim Group (Basement)

Monday, May 1:

10:00am-11:00am	Play and Say(Playground)
7:00pm-9:00pm	Contemporary Worship Rehearsal (Social Hall)
7:45pm-9:30pm	Gamblers Anonymous (Fellowship Room and Chapel)

Tuesday, May 2:

9:30am-10:30am	Baby Bandstand(Social Hall)
1:00pm-9:30pm	Debbi's Dance (Dance Studio)
7:30pm-8:30pm	Pilgrim Group (Basement)

Wednesday, May 3:

9:00am-12:00pm	Music Together(Social Hall)
1:00pm-9:30pm	Debbie' Dance (Dance Studio)
7:15pm-9:15pm	Toastmasters (Chapel)

Thursday, May 4:

3:30pm-9:00pm	Debbi's 'Dance (Dance Studio)
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Friday, May 5:

9:00am-12:00pm	Music Together(Social Hall)
1:30pm-2:30pm	Green Team Meeting
7:30pm-8:30pm	Pilgrim Group (Basement)

Saturday, May 6:

8:00am-3:30pm	Debbi's Dance (Dance Studio)
10:00am-4:00pm	Rummage Sale (Social Hall)
9:00am-12:00pm	Music Together (Chapel)
12:00am-1:00pm	Chancel Choir
2:00pm-10:00pm	EMC Shalom (Fellowship Room)

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Contemporary Worship Service “Waves of Grace” May 4th, 7:00PM

Join us for our new
Contemporary
Worship Service
“Waves of Grace”
featuring

contemporary Christian music and a faith testimony from
community members.

YOGAFAITH

New! Christian Yoga Classes May 12th, 11AM

Join us Friday mornings at 11AM as Pastor Laura leads a
new, Christian Yoga class in the Chapel. All levels are
welcome, no previous experience necessary. Suggested
donation of \$10 per class. Please see Pastor Laura for more
information or email: pastor@umcsummit.org



UMC Summit Rummage Sale 10:00am-4:00pm May 6th, 2023

It's time to bring in
your clothing and
accessories for our
May 6th Rummage

sale. Clothing should be gently used and clean. Any
questions please see Faye, Kim or Debby.



Confirmation Class Sunday May 7th, 5PM

As a reminder our next Confirmation Class meeting will be Sunday, May 7th, at 5PM in the Youth Lounge.

Movie Night! Saturday May 20th 6:00 PM-8:00 PM

Age 4-12

Parents can drop off the kids, kick back, relax and enjoy an evening off. Suggested Donation of \$10 per child
Thank you! We hope to see you there.



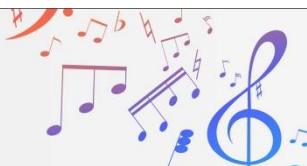
Coffee Hour Hosts NEEDED!

The Hospitality Team is in need of volunteers to help host Coffee Hour each Sunday. All you have to do is bring some refreshments for folks to share and we'll do the heavy lifting! There is a sign-up sheet in the Social Hall. For more information or if you have any questions, please see Debbi Pico



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MUSIC MINISTRY



"May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you a spirit of unity as you follow Jesus Christ, so that with one heart and voice you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ" Romans 15:5

Chancel Choir:

It's a joy to work together and lift our voices in praise. The Chancel Choir rehearses on Saturdays at 12:00pm and on Sunday mornings at 9:30am. Both rehearsals are in the chapel. Come and share your voice with your church friends to sing God's praises.

Calling all Children and Youth!

Our Singing Believers rehearse on Sundays at 12:10pm in the chapel, following coffee hour. Let us grow together through the songs of the church.

Bell Choir:

Making a joyful sound is the mission of our Bell Choir. Now is a wonderful time to come and ring Hand Bells and Hand Chimes with your church friends. Rehearsals are on Sunday's following worship in the Sanctuary. Please come right over to the Bell tables and Debbie will have coffee hour waiting for us after rehearsal. Please come and join with your church friends this Sunday to ring bells.

Contemporary Ensemble:

Our Contemporary Ensemble shares music for Holy Communion each month. Come and share your gifts of singing and instruments. Rehearsals are on Sundays at 12:30pm in the chapel. Come and share your musical gift and enrich your faith. Looking forward to Praising God together.

With much love,
JoAnne Teubner Prussak
Director of Music