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May 7th, 2023 Fifth 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

"Jesu, Joy of Our Desiring" for Trumpet and Organ

J.S Bach

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PREPARATION OF HEARTS AND MINDS FOR WORSHIP

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Emily La Jeunesse

(please rise as you are able)
Leader: Come, people of God!

People: Let us take refuge in the Lord, who listens when

we cry out,

Leader: Our God, who rescues us when we call,

People: Holy Spirit, who leads and guides us according

to His unfailing love.

Leader: You are our God; our lives are in your hands. **People: Let us worship God together! Amen.**

*CENTERING PRAYER: (in unison) Emily La Jeunesse O God of all creation, become for us once again the solid foundation upon which we build our daily lives. We gather before you to align our lives to the teaching and life of Jesus Christ, our Cornerstone. Receive our praise and thanksgiving as expressions of faith and love. We come to you, O Lord, as people who desire to learn and serve like Christ. We are ready to receive your blessing and direction this day. In His name we pray, Amen.

*OPENING HYMN: "How Firm a Foundation" UMH#529 (please remain standing as you are able)

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Natalie Palacio

ANTHEM "Walk Humbly with Your God"
Chancel Choir

Joel Raney

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SCRIPTURE READING

Emily La Jeunesse

Old Testament: Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16 (NRSV) Prayer and Praise for Deliverance from Enemies To the leader. A Psalm of David.

In you, O Lord, I seek refuge; do not let me ever be put to shame; in your righteousness deliver me. Incline your ear to me; rescue me speedily.

Be a rock of refuge for me.

a strong fortress to save me.

You are indeed my rock and my fortress;

for your name's sake lead me and guide me;

Take me out of the net that is hidden for me,

for you are my refuge.

Into your hand I commit my spirit;

you have redeemed me, O Lord, faithful God. My times are in your hand;

deliver me from the hand of my enemies and persecutors.

Let your face shine upon your servant;

save me in your steadfast love.

New Testament: 1 Peter 2:2-10 (NRSV)

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation— if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture: "See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious, and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame." This honor, then, is for you who believe, but for those who do not believe, "The stone that the builders rejected

has become the very head of the corner," and "A stone that makes them stumble and a rock that makes them fall." They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the excellence of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

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

"Grace Alone" TFWS#2162

SERMON: "Living Stones" Rev. Laura Steele

OFFERING

(please place your weekly offering in the offering plates)

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION

"Immortal Invisible, God Only Wise" William Teubner, Trumpet

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

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION UMH p. 13

COMMUNION MUSIC "A Place at the Table" SUMC Contemporary Ensemble

*CLOSING HYMN: (please rise as you are able)
"Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me"

UMH#361

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Recessional in F Major" for Trumpet and Organ

* 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 Zabrucky, 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, May 7:

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

12:10pm-12:30pm Singing Believers(Sanctuary)

4:00pm-8:00pm NJAWT(Social Hall) 4:00pm-5:00pm Confirmation Class

5:00pm-7:00pm Youth Group(Green Room) 7:30pm-8:30pm Pilgrim Group (Basement)

Monday, May 8:

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 9:

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 10:

1:00pm-9:30pm Debbie' Dance (Dance Studio)

7:15pm-9:15pm Toastmasters (Chapel)

Thursday, May 11:

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

3:30pm-5:00pm Girl Scouts(Social Hal)

Friday, May 12:

9:00am-12:00pm Music Together(Social Hall) 11:00am-12:00pm Christian Yoga(Chapel) 7:30pm-8:30pm Pilgrim Group (Basement)

Saturday, May 13:

8:00am-3:30pm Debbi's Dance (Dance Studio) 9:00am-12:00pm Music Together (Chapel)

12:00am-1:00pm Chancel Choir

1:00pm-2:00pm Contemporary Ensemble

2:00pm-3:00pm Instrumental

2:00pm-10:00pm EMC Shalom (Fellowship Room)

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Confirmation Class Sunday May 7th, 4PM As a reminder our next Confirmation Class meeting will be tonight, Sunday, May 7th, at 5PM in the Youth Lounge.

Youth Group Tonight! May 7th, 5PM

The UMC of Summit Youth will be meeting right after its Confirmation Classes to paint a God Size Mural for our Christian Drama Club Classroom! We are so excited to see how it turns out!



YOGAFAITH

New! Christian Yoga Classes May 5th, 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

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



THANK YOU!!!

UMC Summit would like to thank all of our volunteers who donated, helped coordinate, and run the Rummage Sale. A special thanks to Faye, Kim, and Debbi and the entire Hospitality team! What a blessing to our church





"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