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June 11th, 2023

Music Ministry and Confirmation 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

"Festival Prelude"
For Trumpet and Organ

Gustav Holst

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PREPARATION OF HEARTS AND MINDS FOR WORSHIP

Voluntary on *"The Church's One Foundation"*

UMC Summit Bell Choir

***CALL TO WORSHIP:**

Darren Halverson

(please rise as you are able)

Leader: Shout to the Lord all your praises!

People: Sing to the Lord the joy of this day!

Leader: For God's might and power are established in the universe!

People: God's transforming love beckons us.

Leader: Come, let us worship our God, whose Light bursts forth into our darkness!

People: Let us praise the God of salvation who brings us grace.

CENTERING PRAYER: *(in unison)

Darren Halverson

O Lord, we come before you this morning with praise and thanksgiving. Open our minds to what you have to teach us. Open our hearts to your love, and enable us to love you in a new and more profound way. Open our souls to the joy that can only be found in you. In Christ's holy name we pray. Amen.

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

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing (vv.1-4)

UMH #57

CHILDREN'S MOMENT:

"This Is The Day" L. Garrett
UMC Summit Singing Believers

ANTHEM

"Make a Joyful Noise" Allen Pote
UMC Summit Chancel Choir

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Beverly Alexis, Lay Leader

SCRIPTURE:

Darren Halverson

Old Testament: Psalm 96: 1-6 (NRSV)

O sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth. Sing to the Lord; bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day. Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples. For great is the Lord and greatly to be praised; he is to be revered above all gods. For all the gods of the peoples are idols, but the Lord made the heavens. Honor and majesty are before him; strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.

New Testament: Colossians 3:12-16 (NRSV)

Therefore, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

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

"Just a Little Talk with Jesus" C. Derricks
UMC Summit Contemporary Ensemble

CONFIRMATION CEREMONY

Brothers and sisters in Christ:
Through the Sacrament of Baptism
we are initiated into Christ's holy Church.
We are incorporated into God's mighty acts of salvation
and given new birth through water and the Spirit.
All this is God's gift, offered to us without price.

Through confirmation,
and through the reaffirmation of our faith,
we renew the covenant declared at our baptism,
acknowledge what God is doing for us, and affirm our
commitment to Christ's holy Church.

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES

Today, I present:
Adam Daniel,
Brady Goodwin,
Alec La Jeunesse,
Parker La Jeunesse, and
Sophie Maher for confirmation.

READING OF FAITH STATEMENTS

RENUNCIATION OF SIN AND PROFESSION OF FAITH

On behalf of the whole Church, I ask you:
Do you renounce the spiritual forces of wickedness,
reject the evil powers of this world,
and repent of your sin? **I do.**

Do you accept the freedom and power God gives you
to resist evil, injustice, and oppression
in whatever forms they present themselves? **I do.**

Do you confess Jesus Christ as your Savior,
put your whole trust in his grace,
and promise to serve him as your Lord, in union with the Church
which Christ has opened to people of all ages, nations, and races?

I do.

According to the grace given to you,
will you remain faithful members of Christ's holy Church
and serve as Christ's representatives in the world? **I will.**

The pastor addresses the family and sponsors:
Will you who sponsor these candidates
support and encourage them in their Christian life? **We will.**

*As the pastor, and others if desired, place hands on the head
of each person being confirmed or reaffirming faith, the
pastor says to each:*

Name, the Holy Spirit work within you,
that having been born through water and the Spirit,
you may live as a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

*After all candidates have been confirmed, the pastor
addresses the congregation, and the congregation responds:*
Do you, as Christ's body, the Church, reaffirm both your rejection
of sin and your commitment to Christ? **We do.**

Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life
and include these persons now before you in your care?

**With God's help we will proclaim the good news
and live according to the example of Christ.
We will surround these persons**

**with a community of love and forgiveness,
that they may grow in their trust of God,
and be found faithful in their service to others.
We will pray for them,
that they may be true disciples
who walk in the way that leads to life.**

Members of the household of God,
I commend these persons to your love and care.
Do all in your power to increase their faith,
confirm their hope, and perfect them in love.

The congregation responds:

**We give thanks for all that God has already given you
and we welcome you in Christian love. As members
together with you in the body of Christ and in this
congregation of The United Methodist Church, we renew
our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of
the Church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our
service, and our witness, that in everything God may be
glorified through Jesus Christ.**

The God of all grace, who has called us to eternal glory in Christ,
establish you and strengthen you that you may live in grace and
peace. Amen.

OFFERING

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION

Variations on “*Jesus Shall Reign*”

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

“*Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*”

UMH #94

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

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

UMH #89

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

Voluntary on "Here I Am, Lord"

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

Please join us after service for our end of year picnic!



2023 Confirmation Class and Sponsors

Adam Daniel sponsored by Jesse Reyes

Brady Goodwin sponsored by Neil Johnson

Alec La Jeunesse sponsored by Bob Zotti

Parker La Jeunesse sponsored by William Tuebner

Sophie Maher sponsored by Latonia Hall

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Cary Hall, Guy Brasteid, Family of Betty Zabrocky, family of Norma Dowe, the Hasem family, 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, June 11:

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

Monday, June 12:

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, June 13:

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, June 14:

7:15pm-9:15pm	Toastmasters (Chapel)
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Thursday, June 15:

Friday, June 16:

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

Saturday, June 17:

9:00am-12:00pm	Music Together (Chapel)
12:00pm-1:00pm	Singing Methodist Men
12:00am-1:00pm	Chancel Choir
1:00pm-2:00pm	Instrumental Rehearsal
2:00pm-11:00pm	EMC Shalom (Fellowship Room)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

YOGAFAITH

New! Christian Yoga Classes Fridays @ 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

Church Picnic

June 11th, 11:30AM

Join us as after church as we celebrate a great year in ministry! Bring table ready food please!

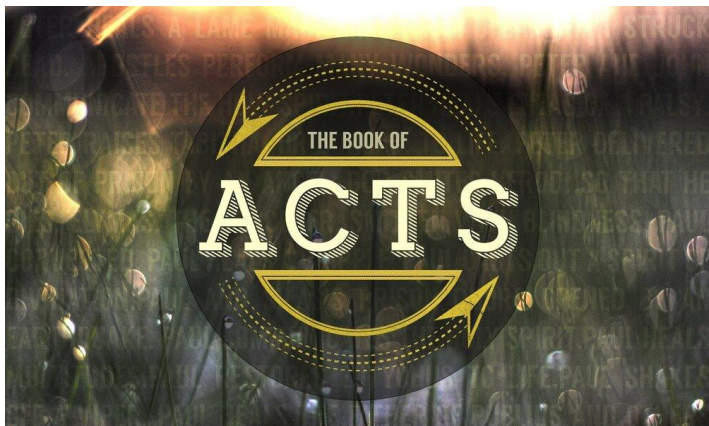


Journey Through the Bible, January 4-14, 2024

Explore the Holy Land with Bishop John Schol and United Methodists of Eastern Pennsylvania and Greater New Jersey for 11 days. The

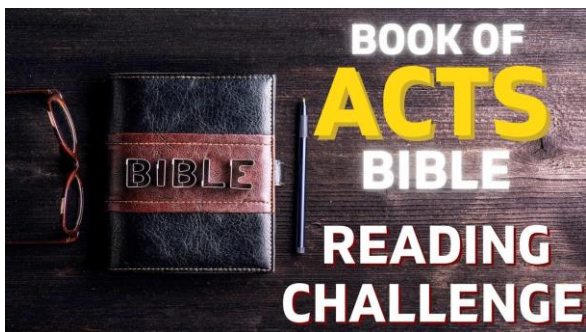
Journey Through the Bible Tour leaves from New York, Newark and Philadelphia, departing on January 4, 2024. All starting at \$3,398. Scholarships are available. Visit:

<https://www.epaumc.org/news/bishop-invites-all-on-2024-holy-land-pilgrimage>



Summer Worship Series: The Book of Acts
June 25th – August 27th

The combination of God's purpose, power, and presence is vital to our life as a church. Throughout the New Testament Book of Acts, we find the themes of mission, prayer, discipleship, and evangelism that help us to wrap our minds around a larger expression of God's mission here on earth. We see how the Holy Spirit empowers the early church to overcome hard times, persecution, turmoil, and pressure. How can we, as the church, live into the pressures of our times using the example of the Apostles? Join us this summer as we explore the world of the Book of Acts.



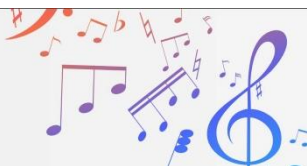
Book of Acts Summer Reading Challenge!

This summer, Pastor Laura is challenging the congregation to read through the Book of Acts. The Book of Acts has 28 chapters, and with 14 weeks until Labor Day, your challenge is to read two chapters a week.



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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