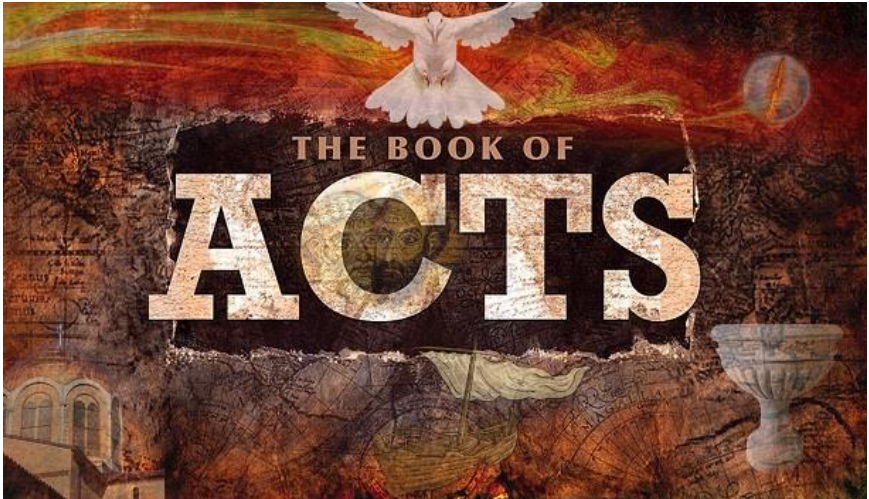




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August 20th, 2023
Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost

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

PRELUDE

Variations on “*Westminster Abbey*”

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

PREPARATION OF HEARTS AND MINDS FOR WORSHIP

***CALL TO WORSHIP:** Beverly Alexis
(please rise as you are able)

Leader: Welcome this day to the house of God.

People: We greet each other in peace and love.

Leader: Welcome this day to worship and celebrate our Creator.

People: We worship in hope and with grace.

Leader: Welcome this day to our family of faith,

People: Let us worship God as siblings in Christ!

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

Sustaining and encouraging One, thank you for always being by our side. Encourage us to turn to you every day and to seek your guidance for our lives. Slow us when we try to rush ahead. Prompt us when we delay and hesitate. Steady us when we stumble. Although we cannot always understand this world, remind us that you delight in each one of us, and will strengthen and support us to grow in faith and service. Amen.

***OPENING HYMN:** *(please remain standing as you are able)*
"Lord Whose Love Through Humble Service" UMH #581

CHILDREN'S MOMENT Rev. Laura Steele

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Rev. Laura Steele

Acts 16:9-10 (NIV)

During the night Paul had a vision of a man of Macedonia standing and begging him, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." After Paul had seen the vision, we got ready at once to leave for Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to preach the gospel to them.

Acts 18:5-6, 9-11 (NIV)

When Silas and Timothy came from Macedonia, Paul devoted himself exclusively to preaching, testifying that Jesus was the Messiah. But when they opposed Paul and became abusive, he shook out his clothes in protest and said to them, "Your blood be on your own heads! I am innocent of it. From now on I will go to the Gentiles." One night the Lord spoke to Paul in a vision: "Do not be afraid; keep on speaking, do not be silent. For I am with you, and no one is going to attack and harm you, because I have many people in this city." So Paul stayed in Corinth for a year and a half, teaching them the word of God. *This is the Word of God, for the people of God;*

People: Thanks be to God.

***HYMN OF PREPARATION**

"Spirit Song"

UMH#347

SERMON

"Turning the World Upside Down"

Rev. Laura Steele

OFFERING**MUSIC FOR MEDITATION** Variations on

"We that Love the Lord" William Teubner, Trumpet

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

"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH #95

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

"I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"

TFWS#2153

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE: Voluntary on “*Standing in the Need of Prayer*”

** Please rise in body or spirit as you are able
Please join us after service for our Coffee Hour in the Social Hall!*

A Few Important Messages.....

Please note Pastor Laura will be on vacation August 21st-
September 4th. If you need pastoral care, please call Lay Leader
Beverly Alexis.



Please note the church office will be closed August 28th-August
31st. If you have an emergency, please contact Facilities Manager
Geraldo Rivera: facilities@umcsummit.org

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

David Griffith, Pauline Griffith, Kaye Griffith, The Rivera family, Irma George, Oscar Gonzalez, Dillan, Anabelle, 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, Mike (MaryEllen DeJohn's brother), Carmel Christensen, John Jennings, Chris Zotti and son Jack, gun violence in America and Bob Reed

This Week's Schedule

Sunday, August 20:

9:30am-10:00am Instrumentalists (Sanctuary)
10:00am-10:30am Summer Choir (Sanctuary)
10:30am-11:30am In-person/online Worship (Sanctuary)
11:30am-12:30pm Coffee Hour (Social Hall)
7:30pm-8:30pm Pilgrim Group (Basement)

Monday, August 21:

9:00am-3:00pm Applause Theater (Social Hall)
7:00pm-9:00pm Contemporary Worship Rehearsal (Social Hall)
7:45pm-9:30pm Gamblers Anonymous (Fellowship Room and Chapel)

Tuesday, August 22:

9:00am-3:00pm Applause Theater (Social Hall)
9:00am-3:00pm Debbi's Dance (Dance Studio)
9:30am-10:30am Baby Bandstand (Social Hall)
7:30pm-8:30pm Pilgrim Group (Basement)

Wednesday, August 23:

9:00am-3:00pm Applause Theater (Social Hall)
7:15pm-9:15pm Toastmasters (Social Hall)

Thursday, August 24:

9:00am-3:00pm Applause Theater (Social Hall)

Friday, August 25:

9:00am-6:00pm Applause Theater (Social Hall)
9:00am-12:00pm Music Together (Social Hall)
11:00am-12:00pm Christian Yoga (Chapel)
7:30pm-8:30pm Pilgrim Group (Basement)

Saturday, August 26:

9:00am-12:00pm Music Together (Chapel)
11:30am-12:00pm Vocal Rehearsal
12:00pm-2:00pm Instrumental Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
2:00pm-11:00pm EMC Shalom (Fellowship Room)

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Let Justice and Peace Flow

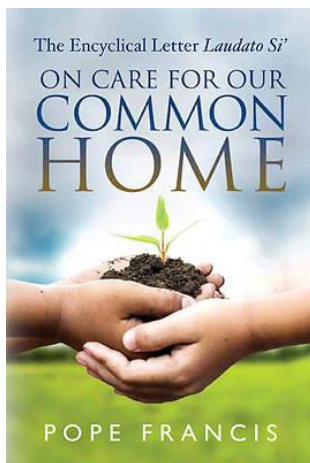
Season of Creation 2023

Creation Worship Series
September 10th-October 15th
Sundays 10:30AM

Join us for our annual Season of Creation worship series! Every September our church takes time to reflect on our call as people of faith to responsible stewardship of the Earth. This year's theme is based on Amos 5:24 *"let justice roll down like a river, righteousness like a never-failing stream!"*

**New! Six-Week Season of
Creation Study**
"On Care for our Common Home"
**Wednesdays @ 7PM in the
Fellowship Room**
September 6th - October 11th

Join us as we journey through Pope Francis' Encyclical Letter *Laudato Si*. There are six copies available in the church office. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Laura at: pastor@umcsummit.org.



Children, Youth, and Families Summer Update

Please note the Nursery, Sunday School, and Youth Group programming will be taking a break for the summer. Children are invited to remain in worship and praise God together.



Mark your calendars!

Homecoming Sunday Worship and Picnic

Sunday September 17th, 2023; 10:30AM

Join us as we kick-off the new year in church programming with our annual Homecoming Worship and Picnic! Our Children and Youth Ministries and our Music Ministries will begin once again as we celebrate the great work God is doing in our faith community. All are welcome, invite a friend!

YOGAFAITH

Please note that Yoga Faith will be taking a break for the next few weeks. We appreciate your understanding and hope to see you in when it's back in action!

Green Team Update

Good News! In order to reduce waste The Green Team will begin providing reusable coffee mugs and drinking glasses during coffee hour effective July 2nd. Please consider helping us improve our environmental stewardship, one coffee cup at a time.





**Bike, Walk, or Take Mass Transit to Church Sunday!
September 10th, 2023**

The UMC Summit Green Team invites you to join us in our bi-annual Bike, Walk, or Take Mass Transit to Church event on Sunday, September 10th. This year, the Green Team is offering an incentive for participants: if you can show you walked, biked, or took mass transit to church, the Green Team has a special prize for you on September 10th! Interested in joining the Green Team? Please see Green Team Chairperson Bill Glancy for more information.



Please note our Chancel Choir, Children's Choir, Bell Choir, and Contemporary Ensembles will be taking a break for summer. Check back in September for upcoming schedules. If you're interested in joining our informal Summer Choir, please see Director of Music Joanne Teubner-Prussak. This choir rehearses at 10AM each Sunday during the summer months.