



United Methodist Church of Summit

*Praise the Lord, call upon His name;
Declare His deeds among the peoples,
Make mention that His name is exalted.
Sing to the Lord, For He has done excellent things;
This is known in all the earth.*

✠ Isaiah 12: 4-5



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November 26th, 2023
Christ the King 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 *“Chorale in F Major”* for Trumpet and Organ

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PREPARATION OF HEARTS AND MINDS FOR WORSHIP

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

Leader: The time of gathering is here.

People: We have come from far and wide to offer our praise to God for the many blessings bestowed upon us.

Leader: Open your hearts to God's compassionate words of love.

People: Help us, O Lord, to receive your gifts in gratitude and to live lives of helpful service to others.

***CENTERING PRAYER:** *(in unison)* Beverly Alexis
Bounteous God, you have lavished your finest gifts on each one of us. We thank you for the many ways in which you have blessed our lives--with love, hope, friends, our church, and so many other things that we cherish. Help us to be a blessing for others--that they may come to know you and rejoice in your love. Give us hearts of courage and confidence to step out into the world in service, bringing hope where there is doubt, peace where there is strife, and love where there is discord. These things we pray in Jesus' name, **AMEN.**

***OPENING HYMN:** *(please remain standing as you are able)*
“We Gather Together” UMH #131

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Rev. Laura Steele

ANTHEM *"I Love You, and You Are Mine"*
Chancel Choir

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Rev. Laura Steele

SCRIPTURE:

Beverly Alexis

Old Testament: Isaiah 12:4-5 (NRSV)

And you will say on that day: "Give thanks to the Lord; call on his name; make known his deeds among the nations; proclaim that his name is exalted. Sing praises to the Lord, for he has done gloriously; let this be known in all the earth.

New Testament: Ephesians 1:15-23 (NIV)

Paul's Prayer

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

This is the Word of God, for the people of God;

People: Thanks be to God.

***HYMN OF PREPARATION**

"Give Thanks"

TFWS #2036

SERMON

"An Attitude of Gratitude"

Rev. Laura Steele

OFFERING

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION

"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

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)*

"Sent Forth by God's Blessing"

UMH#664

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE:

"Recessional in A Major"

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

Please join us after service for Coffee Hour in the Social Hall.

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Brandon Gomes and family, Adrian, Ricky for a new heart, Neil with pneumonia, Irma, Victims of violence in the Middle East and around the world, Millie, Family and friends of Janet Skakum, David Griffith, Pauline Griffith, Kaye Griffith, The Rivera family, Irma George, Oscar Gonzalez, Dillan, Anabelle, Guy Brasteid

YOGAFAITH

Christian Yoga classes continue this week Thursday evenings at 7PM and Friday mornings at 11AM in the Chapel. All levels welcome! \$10 suggested donation.

This Week's Schedule

Sunday, November 26:

9:00am-9:30am Instrumentalists (Sanctuary)
9:30am-10:15am Chancel Choir (Sanctuary)
10:30am-11:30am In-person/online Worship (Sanctuary)
11:30am-12:30am Coffee Hour (Social Hall)
11:45am-12:15pm Bell Choir (Sanctuary)
12:15am-12:45pm Singing Believers (Sanctuary)
7:30pm-8:30pm Pilgrim Group (Basement)

Monday, November 27:

7:45pm-9:30pm Gamblers Anonymous (Fellowship Room and Chapel)

Tuesday, November 28:

9:30am-10:15am Baby Bandstand (Social Hall)
1:30pm-9:30pm Debbi's Dance (Dance Studio)
7:30pm-8:30pm Pilgrim Group (Basement)

Wednesday, November 29:

1:30pm-9:30pm Debbi's Dance (Dance Studio)
7:15pm-9:15pm Toastmasters (Social Hall)

Thursday, November 30:

1:30pm-5:00pm CPR(Chapel)
3:30pm-9:30pm Debbi's Dance (Dance Studio)
7:00pm-8:00pm Christian Yoga (Chapel)

Friday, December 1

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

Saturday, December 2:

8:00am-3:00pm Debbi's Dance (Dance Studio)
10:00am-4:00pm Cookie Walk and Vendor Fair
12:00pm-1:00pm Chancel Choir (Sanctuary)
1:00pm-1:45pm Contemporary Ensemble (Sanctuary)
2:00pm-3:30pm Instrumental Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
2:00pm-11:00pm EMC Shalom (Fellowship Room)

ANNOUNCEMENTS



7TH ANNUAL HOLIDAY BAZAAR AND COOKIE WALK

SATURDAY DECEMBER. 02. 2023

10 AM TO 4 PM

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Holiday Bazaar and Cookie Walk
Saturday, December 2, 2023
10am – 4pm

Cookies, vendors, and fun for the kids! Join us for this fun, annual event! Photos with Mr. and Mrs. Claus. Bakers needed! Please sign-up in the Social Hall.



Annual Hanging of the Greenery and Talent Show!

Join us on Sunday, **Dec. 3rd**, for our annual Hanging of the Greenery during the 10:30AM worship service and our church-wide **Talent Show and Potluck to follow**. Do you have a special talent you want to share? Please sign-up in the social hall to participate.

Will you help the children put on **THE BEST CHRISTMAS PAGEANT EVER?!?!?** We still have some openings in our Christmas Eve Pageant. Maybe you can recall your Christmas Eve pageant days and the pageants that the church has put on. There are openings for both speaking and non-speaking roles. If you are interested, please reach out to

CYF Minister Carrie-Lee at cyfminister@umcsummit.org.



Christmas Eve Services

Sunday December 24th

10:30AM – Family Friendly
with Children's Pageant

7:30PM – Traditional
Candlelight Service with
Lessons and Carols



United Methodist
Church *of* Summit

Christmas Concert

Sunday, December 17th at 3.00pm

*Featuring the choirs of the church
& professional soloists*



Free and open to all. Donations are welcome.

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