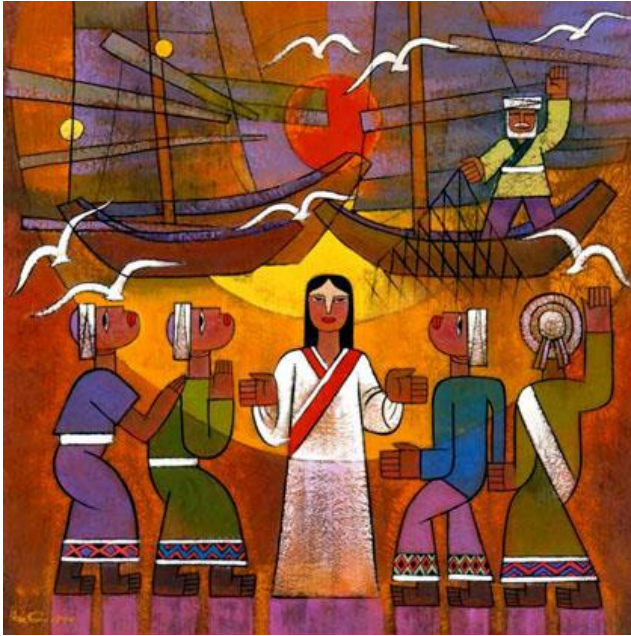




# United Methodist Church of Summit



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**January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024**  
**Third Sunday After Epiphany**

*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 “*Holy God We Praise Thy Name*”  
for Trumpet and Organ

**GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS**

**PREPARATION OF HEARTS AND MINDS FOR WORSHIP**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP:** Dadi Hove  
(*please rise as you are able*)

Leader: Are you listening? God is doing a new thing! Will you join?

**People: Yes! We will follow!**

Leader: God calls us again to build the kingdom of heaven. Will you join?

**People: Yes! We will be builders of the kingdom.**

Leader: God calls us to declare the good news to those in need. Will you join?

**People: Yes! We will declare the good news with our voices and our lives.**

Leader: God never stops calling us to live and to give abundant life. Will you join?

**People: Yes! We will join with God in sharing the gracious gift of abundant life with the world.**

**\*CENTERING PRAYER:** (*in unison*) Dadi Hove

**Holy One, what a blessing and privilege we get to share here in this sacred space and among this loving community. Be with us this day as we open our hearts to others. May we continually listen for Your call to follow Christ. May we repent of our hesitations and**

**unwillingness to witness to Your grace and love at work in the world. Fill us with strength and courage this day, in the name of Christ we pray, Amen.**

**\*OPENING HYMN:** *(please remain standing as you are able)*  
*"Lord of the Dance"* UMH #261

**CHILDREN'S MOMENT**

Rev. Laura Steele

**ANTHEM** *"Holy Is the Lord God Almighty"* Thomas Fetteke  
Chancel Choir

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Alison Johnson

**SCRIPTURE:**

Rev. Laura Steele

**Old Testament: Jonah 3:1-5 (NRSV)**

Conversion of Nineveh

The word of the Lord came to Jonah a second time, saying, "Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you." So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days' walk across. Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's walk. And he cried out, "Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!" And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth.

**New Testament: Mark 1:14-20 (NIV)**

The Beginning of the Galilean Ministry

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the good news of God and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

Jesus Calls the First Disciples

As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea, for they were fishers. And Jesus said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of people." And immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets.

Immediately he called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men and followed him.

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

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### **\*HYMN OF PREPARATION**

*"I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"*    TFSW#2129

### **SERMON**

*"Big Blue World"*

Rev. Laura Steele

### **OFFERING**

*(please place offering envelope in basket or text:*

*"dollar amount you wish to give" to 908-224-7670)*

### **MUSIC FOR MEDITATION**

*"I Will Arise and Go to Jesus"*    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 Surrender All"*    UMH#354

### **\*BENEDICTION**

### **POSTLUDE:**    *"Maestoso 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**

Ken and Patricia, Nancy Pasquale, Boden, Bob Z., Veronica S., Zandie S., Chris and Dot C., Rachel Calman and the Calman-Beland family, Caroline Kenny, Rick Picorale, 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

## **This Week's Schedule**

### **Sunday, January 21:**

9:00am-9:30am Instrumentalists (Sanctuary)  
9:30am-10:15am Chancel Choir(Sanctuary)  
10:30am-11:30am In-person/online Worship (Sanctuary)  
10:45am-11:30am Children's Sunday School (Education Room)  
7:30pm-8:30pm Pilgrim Group (Basement)

### **Monday, January 22:**

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

### **Tuesday, January 23:**

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, January 24:**

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

### **Thursday, January 25:**

1:30pm-9:30pm Debbi's Dance (Dance Studio)  
9:30am-10:30am Music Together (Social Hall)  
7:00pm-8:00pm Yoga Faith (Chapel)

### **Friday, January 26:**

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

### **Saturday, January 27:**

8:00am-3:00pm Debbi's Dance (Dance Studio)  
10:30am-11:30am Music Together (Social Hall)  
12:00pm-1:00pm Chancel Choir (Sanctuary)  
1:00pm-2:00pm Contemporary Ensemble  
2:00pm-11:00pm EMC Shalom (Fellowship Room)  
2:00pm-3:00pm Instrumental Rehearsal(Sanctuary)

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## 2024 DIRECTORY



### Church Directory Update

UMC of Summit is updating our 2024 Church Directory. There are copies in the sanctuary or you can check your information via the link in our weekly emails. If your information is incorrect or missing, please contact our Office Manager Joey at:

[office@umcsummit.org](mailto:office@umcsummit.org)

### Support Family Promise

#### Donations Needed

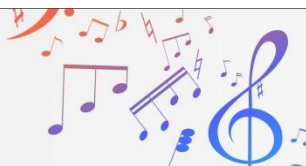
**January 21<sup>st</sup>-February 11th**

UMC Summit has been a “host church” for Family Promise for many years. As their model of helping families has changed, UMC Summit has committed to continuing to support Family Promise through monetary donations. We will be collecting three times a year to support this initiative. If you’d like to support this collection please write “Family Promise” on your check or envelope. You can also give online at [umcsummit.org](http://umcsummit.org).



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## MUSIC MINISTRY



**This is a wonderful time to consider sharing your musical gifts as we praise Our Lord!**

The Music Ministry line up is as follows:

Saturdays: 12:00-1:00 Chancel Choir

1:00-1:45 Contemporary Ensemble

2:00-3:00 Instrumental

Sundays: 9:30-10:15 Chancel Choir, 10:30 Worship,

11:45 Bell Choir, 12:15 Singing Believers Children’s Choir

For more information please email JoAnne Teubner Prussak.

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**New! Free  
Prom Shop  
April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

The UMC of Summit is hosting a free "Prom Shop" this Spring for local students and we need your help! Do you have formal wear

and/or accessories that you no longer need? Please consider donating to this new initiative and make this event season unforgettable! We are accepting donations for both young men and women. Please drop off donations to the church Monday-Friday from 9AM-1PM, or bring them in on Sunday mornings. If you have any questions, please see Faye Cunningham.



**FREE  
Prom  
Shop**

**APRIL 6<sup>TH</sup>,  
2024  
10AM-2PM**



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# YOGAFAITH

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



## Important Update

Office Manager Joey will be away and out of the office from January 19<sup>th</sup>-February 7<sup>th</sup>. If you need any assistance, please reach out to Pastor Laura [pastor@umcsummit.org](mailto:pastor@umcsummit.org)

## CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES MINISTRY UPDATES

### New CYF Service Project

1/7/24-2/11/24

### Souper Bowl of Caring

Will you help the UMC Summit children and youth #tacklehunger?

In 1990, Souper Bowl of Caring began with a simple prayer from a single youth group: "Lord, even as we enjoy the Super Bowl football game, help us be mindful of those without a bowl of soup to eat." Since then, more than \$170 million has been generated for local charities across the country. The UMC Summit Children and Youth will be collecting non-perishable food items for the Community Food Bank of NJ. Please place your donations in the Souper Bowl of Caring Soup pots.



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*Children, Youth, & Family Ministry*  
**MONTH AT A GLANCE**

**DRAMA CLUB**

**NO DRAMA CLUB IN JANUARY!!**  
Drama Club will resume in February!

**SUNDAY SCHOOL**

Jan. 14: LESSON - Jesus in the Temple  
Jan. 21: LESSON - Jesus is Baptized  
Jan. 28: LESSON - Jesus Makes a Choice  
Feb. 4: LESSON - RUTH