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April 14th, 2024
Third Sunday after 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: “*Adagio in F Major*” George F. Handel
 for Trumpet and Organ

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PREPARATION OF HEARTS AND MINDS FOR WORSHIP

***CALL TO WORSHIP:** Johanna Aguilera
(please rise as you are able)

Leader: How joyful it is, to celebrate the good news of God's love!

People: We are called to be Easter people!

Leader: Darkness cannot claim us!

People: Fear cannot bind us!

Leader: Christ is risen!

People: Christ is risen, indeed! AMEN!

CENTERING PRAYER: *(in unison)

God of Hope, We see your love poured out for us day to day. Make us more like you. Teach us to live together in harmony with all Creation. May we exemplify your glory, so your love is known amidst the entire universe. In the name of the One who was there in the beginning, Christ our Savior we pray. Amen.

OPENING HYMN: *(please remain standing as you are able)
“Blessed Jesus at Thy Word” UMH #596

CHILDREN'S MOMENT Rev. Laura Steele

ANTHEM “*The Garden*” Mark Hayes
 Chancel Choir

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Beverly Alexis

SCRIPTURE:

Johanna Aguilera

Old Testament: Psalm 4 (NRSV)

Answer me when I call, O God of my right! You gave me room when I was in distress. Be gracious to me, and hear my prayer. How long, you people, shall my honor suffer shame? How long will you love vain words and seek after lies? *Selah.* But know that the Lord has set apart the faithful for himself; the Lord hears when I call to him. When you are disturbed, do not sin; ponder it on your beds, and be silent. *Selah.* Offer right sacrifices, and put your trust in the Lord. There are many who say, “O that we might see some good! Let the light of your face shine on us, O Lord!” You have put gladness in my heart more than when their grain and wine abound. I will both lie down and sleep in peace, for you alone, O Lord, make me lie down in safety.

New Testament: Luke 24:36-48 (NRSV)

Jesus Appears to His Disciples

While they were talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, “Peace be with you.” They were startled and terrified and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, “Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see, for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.” And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. Yet for all their joy they were still disbelieving and wondering, and he said to them, “Have you anything here to eat?” They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence. Then he said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.” Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to

them, “Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. *This is the Word of God, for the people of God;*
People: Thanks be to God.

***HYMN OF PREPARATION:** *(please rise as you are able)*
“Baptized in Water” TFWS#2248

SERMON: *Touch Me and See!!!* Dadi Hove

OFFERING

*(please place offering envelope in basket or text:
“dollar amount you wish to give” to 908-224-7670)*

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION Variations on the Hymn
“Let Us Break Bread Together”
William Teubner, Trumpet

***DOXOLOGY** *(please rise as you are able)*
“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow” UMH #94

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION UMH p.13

COMMUNION MUSIC *“There’s a Spirit of Love in This Place”*
Contemporary Ensemble

***CLOSING HYMN:** *(please rise as you are able)*
“Lord of the Dance” UMH #261

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE: *“Majestic Recessional”* Henry Purcell

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

This Week's Schedule

Sunday, April 14th:

9:00am-9:30am Instrumentalists
9:30am-10:00am Chancel Choir
10:00am-10:15am Contemporary Ensemble
10:15am-10:30am Singing Believers
10:30am-11:30am In-person/online Worship (Sanctuary)
7:30pm-8:30pm Pilgrim Group (Basement)

Monday, April 15th:

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

Tuesday, April 16th:

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, April 17th:

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

Thursday, April 18th:

9:30am-11:30am Music Together(Social Hall)
1:30pm-5:00pm CPR (Chapel)
1:30pm-9:30pm Debbi's Dance (Dance Studio)
7:00pm-8:00pm NO CHRISTIAN YOGA
7:00pm-8:30pm Chris Tomlin Concert (Prudential Center)

**Speak with Carrie/Pastor Laura for more information*

Friday, April 19th:

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

Saturday, April 20th:

8:00am-3:00pm Debbi's Dance (Dance Studio)
9:30am-11:30am Music Together(Social Hall)
12:00pm-1:30pm Chancel Choir (Sanctuary)
1:30pm-2:00pm Contemporary Ensemble (Sanctuary)
2:00pm-3:00pm Instrumental Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
2:00pm-10:00pm EMC Shalom (Fellowship Room)

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Bike Walk or Take Mass Transit to Services Sunday

This year, in honor of Earth Day, the Summit Interfaith Council is inviting all faith communities to Walk, Bike, or Take Mass Transit to Services on April 14th and 21st.

Earth Day Cleanup

April 14th, 2024

2pm-4pm, Glenside Fields

Join other faith communities in town as we participate in an Earth Day Cleanup on Sunday, April 14th, from 2pm-4pm at the Glenside Sports Fields. Please wear long sleeves, pants, and work gloves. Other supplies will be provided on site.



Earth Day Worship and Tree Dedication

April 21st, 2024

10:30AM

Join us Sunday, April 21st, for worship as we celebrate the gift of Creation. We will hold an outdoor coffee hour after services as we dedicate a new tree on the church campus.





Senior Scholarships

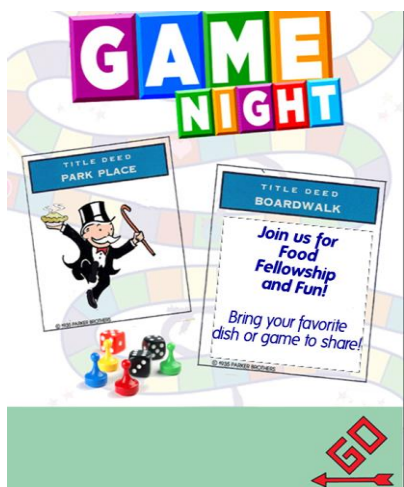
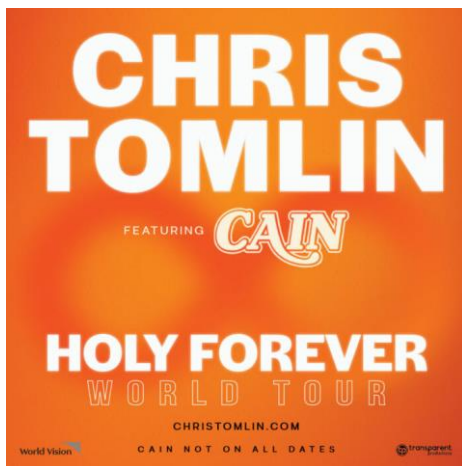
Attention high school seniors! Don't miss out on scholarship opportunities offered by the UMC Summit. Apply now! Visit www.umcsummit.org.

Chris Tomlin Night

April 18th, 7PM

Prudential Center

Join UMC Summit for Chris Tomlin's concert at The Prudential Center on Thursday, April 18th at 7 PM. He's bringing the Holy Forever World Tour with CAIN. Join us for a night of praise and worship, featuring songs like "Holy Forever", "How Great Is Our God", and "Good Good Father". Tickets are \$27 each. See Pastor Laura for details.



Game Night! 5/5/24 6PM-8PM

We encourage all church members to join us in the Social Hall for this special event and to bring along their favorite board games, card games, or any other interactive games that they love to play with family and friends. As part of the evening, we invite everyone to participate in a potluck-style dinner. Please bring a dish to share with your fellow church members, whether it's a savory casserole, a refreshing salad, or a delightful dessert!



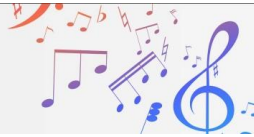
**UMC Summit Featured on
Summit Garden Tour
Thursday, May 30th
10:00 am to 3:00 pm**

The Reeves Memorial Garden, a part of UMC Summit, will be featured on this year's Summit Garden Tour. Hosted by the Reeves Reed Arboretum and the Summit Garden Club. Join us as we welcome the community to our beautiful garden!



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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: 12:00-1:30pm Chancel Choir

1:00-1:45pm Contemporary Ensemble

1:30pm-2:00pm Instrumental

Sundays: 9:00-9:30 Instrumentalists,

9:30-10:15am Chancel Choir,

10:15am-10:30am Singing Believers,

10:30am Worship, 1

11:45am-12:15am Bell Choir

For more information please see Music Director: JoAnne Teubner Prussak or email: office@umcsummit.org

YOGAFAITH

There will be no Yoga Classes on Thurs. 4/18, regular classes resume Fridays at 11am. All levels welcome! Suggested donation of \$10 per class. See Pastor Laura for more information.