



United Methodist Church of Summit



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***CENTERING PRAYER:** *(in unison)* Bill Glancy

Creator God, We gather today to say, “The earth is the Lord’s, and everything in it...” We pause today to celebrate this gift to which you have entrusted to our hands, the gift of the Earth. We pray for the Earth and all of creation to be liberated and experience the freedom and glory in which it was originally made.

We pray for Your glory to be revealed and we commit to playing our part as your faithful servants. In Christ’s name we pray, Amen.

***OPENING HYMN:** *(please remain standing as you are able)*
“How Great Thou Art” UMH #77

CHILDREN’S MOMENT Carrie-Lee Farnham

ANTHEM *“Into The Garden”* Peter Lutkin
Chancel Choir

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Alison Johnson

SCRIPTURE: Bill Glancy

Old Testament: Genesis 1:9-13 (NRSV)

And God said, “Let the waters under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear.” And it was so. God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, “Let the earth put forth vegetation: plants yielding seed and fruit trees of every kind on earth that bear fruit with the seed in it.” And it was so. The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

New Testament: John 7: 37-38 (NRSV)

Rivers of Living Water

On the last day of the festival, the great day, while Jesus was standing there, he cried out, "Let anyone who is thirsty come to me, and let all those who believe in me drink. As the scripture has said, 'Out of the believer's heart shall flow rivers of living water.'" *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)*

"As The Deer"

TFWS#2025

SERMON: *Going the Extra Mile*

Bill Glancy

OFFERING

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

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION:

Variations on *"This is My Father's World"*

William Teubner, Trumpet

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

"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

UMH #94

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

"Hymn of Promise"

UMH #707

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE: *"Maestoso in A Major"*

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

**Please join us in the Social Hall after service for Coffee Hou*

This Week's Schedule

Sunday, April 21st:

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

Monday, April 22nd:

6:00pm-11:00pm EMC Shalom (Social Hall)
7:45pm-9:30pm Gamblers Anonymous (Fellowship and Chapel)

Tuesday, April 23rd:

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 24th:

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

Thursday, April 25th:

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 Yogafaith (Social Hall)

Friday, April 26th:

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

Saturday, April 27th:

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-3:30pm 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 Coffee Hour and Tree Dedication April 21st, 2024 11:30AM

Join us after worship today as we will hold an outdoor coffee hour and 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.

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

We encourage all church members to join us in the Social Hall to bring along their favorite board games, card games, or any other interactive games you love to play. This will be a potluck-style dinner. Please bring a dish to share with your fellow church members!





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!



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

1:00-1:30pm Contemporary Ensemble

2:00pm-3:30pm Instrumental

Sundays: 9:00-9:30 Instrumentalists,

9:30-10:15am Chancel Choir,

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

10:30am Worship

11:45am-12:15am Bell Choir

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

YOGAFAITH

Please join us for Yogafaith, Christian inspired Yoga classes! Thursdays at 7pm in the Social Hall and Fridays at 11am in the chapel. All levels welcome! Suggested donation of \$10 per class. See Pastor Laura for more information.



**General Conference of the
United Methodist Church
April 23rd – May 3rd, 2024**

The General Conference of The United Methodist Church is a key decision-making body that plays a crucial role in shaping the church's doctrine, policies, and social principles. Think of it as the highest legislative body, akin to a

parliament or congress, where representatives from United Methodist congregations around the world gather every four years. The last scheduled General Conference in 2020 was cancelled due to the pandemic.

These representatives, called delegates, are both clergy and lay members. They worship together, join in discussions, and vote on various matters through a legislative process. Matters up for consideration can include changes to church law, adoption of new social principles, and resolutions on current moral, social, public policy, and economic issues. It's a forum where diverse voices come together to democratically shape the direction and policies of The United Methodist Church on a worldwide scale.

General Conference takes place from April 23 to May 3, 2024, in Charlotte, North Carolina (USA). There are a lot of items on the docket for this year's conference, some may even make the mainstream news outlets. To get the most up-to-date, intuitive, and correct reporting on General Conference please visit: umcnews.org

Also, if you'd like to discuss any items further with Pastor Laura, please feel free to stop by the church office Tuesday-Fridays from 9:30am-2:00pm.