



United Methodist
Church of Summit

GRADUATION

Sunday

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June 9th, 2024

Education Sunday

*The United Methodist Church of Summit invites you to journey with us on
the mystery of faith!*

PRELUDE Voluntary on “*Here I Am, Lord*”
for Trumpet and Organ

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PREPARATION OF HEARTS AND MINDS FOR WORSHIP

***CALL TO WORSHIP:** Bill Glancy
(please rise as you are able)

Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made!

People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Leader: This is a day of new beginnings!

**People: This is a time for nurturing new disciples for
Christ.**

Leader: Come, let us prepare ourselves for worship.

People: Let us be in service and praise to God. AMEN.

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

**Lord, in this season of change, open our hearts to grow
in Your love. Help us to truly trust in Your creative
process in our lives. We look around and we see the
beauty of your world, the blossoming flowers and
plants, the growth of children, the joys and celebrations
of graduations, the start of new beginnings. Yet, we also
see the sadness and sorrow that has invaded the world
when systems of injustice and hatred lay claim to
people’s lives. Prepare us, O Lord, to become
ambassadors of peace and hope. Help us to place our
trust in you, so that when we are serving others, they
may come to know your abiding love and power. In
Christ’s name we pray, **AMEN.****

***OPENING HYMN:** *(please remain standing as you are able)*
UMH #369 *“Blessed Assurance”*

CHILDREN’S MOMENT: SUNDAY SCHOOL GRADUATION

ANTHEM *“We Are the Church”* Singing Believers

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Beverly Alexis

ANTHEM *“God is Our Refuge and Strength”* Mark Hayes
Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE READING:

Old Testament: Psalm 138 *(NRSVE)* Bill Glancy

Thanksgiving and Praise

I give you thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart;
before the gods I sing your praise;
I bow down toward your holy temple
and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and
your faithfulness,
for you have exalted your name and your word
above everything.
On the day I called, you answered me;
you increased my strength of soul.
All the kings of the earth shall praise you, O Lord,
for they have heard the words of your mouth.
They shall sing of the ways of the Lord,
for great is the glory of the Lord.
For though the Lord is high, he regards the lowly,
but the haughty he perceives from far away.
Though I walk in the midst of trouble,
you preserve me against the wrath of my enemies;
you stretch out your hand,
and your right hand delivers me.
The Lord will fulfill his purpose for me;
your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever.
Do not forsake the work of your hands.

New Testament: 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1 (NRSVE)

But just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—"I believed, and so I spoke"—we also believe, and therefore we also speak, because we know that the one who raised Jesus will also raise us with Jesus and will present us with you in his presence. Indeed, everything is for your sake, so that grace, when it has extended to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For our slight, momentary affliction is producing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen, for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal. For we know that, if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. *This is the Word of God, for the people of God; People: Thanks be to God.*

***HYMN OF PREPARATION**

TFWS 2152 "*Change My Heart, O God*"

SERMON

"Oh, the Places You'll Go!"

Carrie-Lee Farnham, CYF Minister

2024 SCHOLARSHIP PRESENTATION

UMC Summit Education Committee

Mildred S. Wyckoff Scholarship Recipients

Sophie Maher

Joshua Reyes

Evelyn M. Welsh Scholarship Recipients

Kathleen Aquino

Paula Navas

Diane Saint Louis

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
Blessed Assurance – William Teubner, Trumpet

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

***CLOSING HYMN:** *(please rise as you are able)*
UMH #593 *"Here I Am, Lord"*

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE: *Fanfare in D 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

Steve Ward, Neil Johnson, Friends and Family of Dick Keating, Anne and John R., Scott and Vincent, Jerrie Bunell, Robert Curtis, Family of Martha Stampes, the family and friends of Joan Douglas, Lynn, 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, Irma, Millie, Family and friends of Janet Skakum, David Griffith, Pauline Griffith, Kaye Griffith, Irma George

This Week's Schedule

Sunday, June 9th:

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| 10:15am-10:30am | Singing Believers |
| 10:30am-11:30am | In-person/online Worship (Sanctuary) |
| 11:30am-12:30pm | Reception (Social Hall) |
| 6:00pm-8:30 pm | End of Year Party/Family Movie Night
(Social Hall) |
| 7:30pm-8:30pm | Pilgrim Group (Basement) |

Monday, June 10th:

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| 7:30pm-9:30pm | Administrative Council (Social Hall) |
| 7:45pm-9:30pm | Gamblers Anonymous (Fellowship Room) |

Tuesday, June 11th:

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| 9:30am-10:15am | Baby Bandstand (Social Hall) |
| 1:30pm-9:30pm | Debbi's Dance (Dance Studio) |
| 5:00pm-10:00pm | Applause Theater (Social Hall) |
| 5:30pm-8:45pm | CPR (Chapel) |
| 7:30pm-8:30pm | Pilgrim Group (Basement) |

Wednesday, June 12th:

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| 1:30pm-9:30pm | Debbi's Dance (Dance Studio) |
| 5:00pm-10:00pm | Applause Theater (Social Hall) |

Thursday, June 13th:

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| 3:30pm-9:30pm | Debbi's Dance (Dance Studio) |
| 5:00pm-10:00pm | Applause Theater (Social Hall) |
| 7:00pm-8:00pm | Yogafaith (Chapel) |

Friday, June 14th:

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| 11:00am-12:00pm | Christian Yoga (Chapel) |
| 6:00pm-10:30pm | Applause Theater (Social Hall) |
| 7:30pm-8:30pm | Pilgrim Group (Basement) |

Saturday, June 15th:

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| 8:00am-3:00pm | Debbi's Dance (Dance Studio) |
| 2:00pm-10:00pm | EMC Shalom (Fellowship Room) |
| 6:00pm-10:30pm | Applause Theater (Social Hall) |

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Children, Youth, and Families End of Year Movie Night

Sunday, June 9th, 6PM-8:30PM

Gather 'round for a night of tire-screeching fun at our church's end-of-school-year celebration! Join us for a special movie night featuring the heartwarming tale of "Cars." Rev up your engines and settle in as Lightning McQueen and friends take you on a high-octane adventure. But that's not all – we've got tasty treats lined up to fuel your movie-watching experience! Come join us for a night of family-friendly entertainment and fellowship.

GNJ Mission u July 12-14

Mission u 2024

3 Day In-person Event

July 12-14th

Centenary University

Join GNJ's UWF (formerly

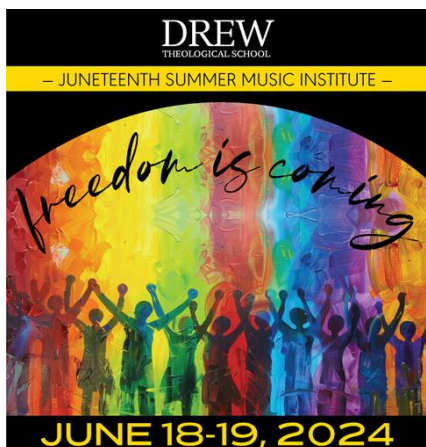
UMW) for "Mission U" Adult

Study, Youth Study, and Children's Study. Join us as we explore what it means to be a part of God's "kin-dom". To register visit:

<https://na.eventscloud.com/ereg/newreg.php?eventid=788294&>



United
Women
in Faith



June 18 - 19, Drew Theological School

"Freedom is Coming"

Juneteenth Celebration

Join Drew Theological School for a Juneteenth Celebration with New Music, Liberative Liturgy, and Dancing! Join us as we honor and reflect on freedom during our special Juneteenth Summer Music Institute 2024. Visit:

drew.edu/events to registe



Annual Back to School Drive

June 5th – August 21st, 2024

Each year, thousands of New Jersey children attend their first day of school

without basic educational tools such as backpacks, notebooks, and calculators. These under-resourced children struggle to succeed academically. The UMC of Summit in partnership with Jersey Cares works with dozens of schools, children's shelters, and community centers with the goal that no children in New Jersey will have to experience a first day of school without these basic necessities. With your help we can bridge the gap between disadvantage and academic success. Items ACCEPTED for the School Supply Drive include: Backpacks (may be new OR gently used) NEW 1, 3, and 5 Subject, Notebooks, NEW Composition Notebooks, NEW 2-Pocket Folders, NEW Pencil Cases, NEW #2 Pencils, NEW Pencil Sharpeners, NEW Erasers, NEW Pens, NEW Hi-lighters, NEW Crayons, Washable Markers, and Colored Pencils, NEW Book Covers, NEW Calculators, NEW Child Safety Scissors, NEW Glue, NEW Rulers (12"), NEW Laptops or Tablets, NEW Headphones, Visa or Amazon Gift Cards. Items can be dropped off to the church office Monday-Friday from 9AM-1PM, or dropped off in the bins in the sanctuary Sunday mornings before or after worship.

YOGAFAITH

Christian Yoga Classes are held on 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