



United Methodist
Church of Summit

**TO HOPE AND ACT
WITH CREATION**



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September 29, 2024
Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost
“Season of Creation” Worship Series

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

PRELUDE *Majestic Choral* for Trumpet and Organ
Joseph Haydn

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PREPARATION OF HEARTS AND MINDS FOR WORSHIP

***CALL TO WORSHIP:** Juliet Steele
(please rise as you are able)

Leader: Creator God we come before You today with open
minds and loving hearts.

People: We thank You for the gift of Your Creation,

Leader: For all You have given us

People: Teach us to be your disciples,

Leader: Teach us how to build a world of love, justice and
peace.

**People: We join as one with all of Creation to worship
You this day!**

***CENTERING PRAYER:** *(in unison)* Juliet Steele
**Awesome God, Creator of the universe, fill us with your
love. Awaken in us the passion to work for your world
with empathy and boldness. Lift us up on eagles’ wings,
so that we may not be overwhelmed by the task ahead.
In the power of the Holy Spirit who renews the face of
the Earth we pray, Amen.**

***OPENING HYMN:** *(please remain standing as you are able)*
UMH #97 *For the Fruits of this Creation*

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE: Rev. Laura Steele

My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins. *This is the Word of God, for the people of God;*
People: Thanks be to God.

***HYMN OF PREPARATION**

TFWS#2146 *His Eye Is on the Sparrow*

SERMON: *The Rainbow Connection* 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

Voluntary on *How Great Thou Art*

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 #77 *How Great Thou Art*

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE *Majestic Recessional* for Trumpet and Organ

**denotes please stand as you are able*

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

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Carole Reed, Bob Zotti, Norma, recovering from a broken hip, the family and friends of Anthony J. "Tony" Gianonne, Sr., Judy Fish, Adrian Philips, all those affected by hurricanes and storms, our service men and women around the world.

This Week's Schedule

Sunday, September 29th:

9:00am-10:00am Instrumental
9:30am-10:15am Chancel Choir
10:00am-10:30am Bell Choir
10:30am-11:30am In-person/online Worship (Social Hall)
10:45am-11:30am Children's Sunday School
11:30am-12:30pm Coffee Hour (Social Hall)
11:45am-12:15pm Singing Believers
7:30pm-8:30pm Pilgrim Group (Fellowship Room)

Monday, September 30th:

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

Tuesday, October 1st:

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

Wednesday, October 2nd:

1:30pm-9:30pm Debbi's Dance
7:00pm-8:00pm Creation Bible Study (Fellowship Room)

Thursday, October 3rd:

2:00pm-8:00pm Casa de Estudio de Torah (Social Hall)
2:45pm-9:00pm Debbi's Dance

Friday, October 4th:

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

Saturday, October 5th:

8:30am-4:30pm Debbi's Dance
9:30am-11:30am Music Together (Social Hall)
12:00pm-12:30pm Bell Choir
12:30pm-1:00pm Contemporary Ensemble
1:00pm-2:00pm Chancel Choir
2:00pm-10:00pm Casa de Estudio de Torah (Fellowship Room)
2:30pm-3:30pm Instrumental Rehearsal
2:30pm-3:30pm Liturgical Dance

ANNOUNCEMENTS



SAVE THE DATE!

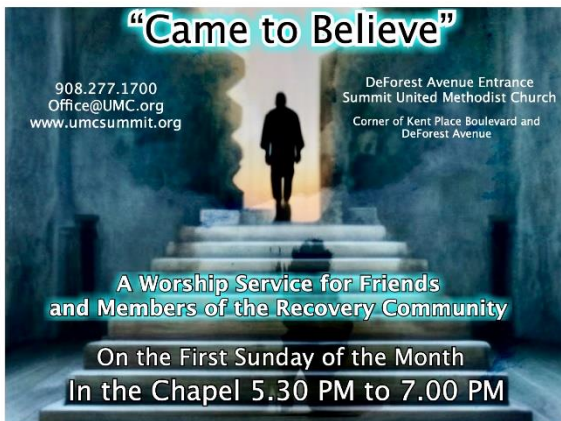
White Elephant

Rummage Sale October

19th, 10:00AM – 3:00PM

White Elephant-Furniture,

Appliances, Kitchenware, Kids Toys No Clothing! Drop off items through Wednesday, October 16. Volunteers needed! Please see Faye Cunningham, Kim Goldman or Debbie Picorale for info!



"CAME TO BELIEVE" WORSHIP SERVICE

For People in Recovery, Their Friends and Family

First Sunday of the Month, Starting October 6th, 5:30pm

The UMC of Summit realized that there is a need for a "safe space" for recovering individuals, their friends and families, and saw that our church could provide that space by offering a worship service for all those people whose lives have been affected by alcoholism and addiction. Everyone is invited to attend the worship service created to speak to the needs of people in recovery as well as their families and friends. Please join us on Sunday, October 6, and the first Sunday of the month thereafter, in the UMC Chapel located on Deforest Avenue.

BLOSS THE PETS



Blessing of the Animals

Friday, October 4th, 6PM-7PM,
Church Playground

"But ask the animals, and they will teach you" ...

Job 12:7. Join us

on Friday, October 4th, as we witness to God's and the Church's love, care, and concern for creation. Bring your pet by for a special blessing. All animals welcome! Please note: Pastor Laura CANNOT bless snakes, however, if you have a snake in need of a blessing she can arrange with another pastor that is able. Please contact the church office at: 908-277-1700 for more information.



NEW! "Wings of Faith" Liturgical Dance Ministry Saturdays, 2:30-3:30PM

Join the UMC of Summit for our NEW Liturgical Dance Ministry. Liturgical dance is a form of praise and should be thought of as an act of worship, rather than a performance. We are praising God through movement and expression. We want the congregation to feel they are part of our expression, accepting the dance as a form of prayer. Resident dance instructor Debbi Picorale will be leading the classes on Saturdays in the Dance Studio. See Ms. Debbi for more information, all levels welcome – no experience necessary!



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MUSIC MINISTRY



"Transforming God, as we begin our fall season, we ask Your presence and Your blessings on our music, that Your will may be done; through Jesus Christ, who keeps us in Your love."

WELCOME ALL MUSIC MAKERS!! NEW 2024 Fall Schedule:

Saturdays	12:00pm	Bell Choir
	12:30pm	Contemporary Ensemble
	1:00pm	Chancel Choir
	2:30pm	Instrumental Rehearsal
Sundays	9:00am	Instrumental Rehearsal
	9:30am	Chancel Choir
	10:00am	Bell Choir
	10:30am	Worship
	11:30am	Coffee Hour
	11:45am	Singing Believers

For more information, please contact JoAnne Teubner Prussak through the church office number: 908-277-1700, or email: office@umcsummit.org



Coffee Hour Hosts NEEDED!

The Hospitality Team is in need of volunteers to help host Coffee Hour each Sunday. All you have to do is bring some refreshments for folks to share and we'll do the heavy lifting! There is a sign-up sheet in the Social Hall. For more information or if you have any questions, please see Debbi Picoral

Children's Ministry

Our Children, Youth, and Family Ministries programming has officially kick-offed. We have some new and exciting programs this year! Here is a look at what a typical Sunday morning involves:

Typical Sunday Schedule

9:30-10:15am	Creative Christianity (Green Room)
10:30- 11:30am	Church Service (Sanctuary)
10:45-11:30am	Sunday School (Nursery)
11:30-12:30	Coffee Hour (Social Hall)
11:45-12:45	Singing Believers (Music Room)

UMC SUMMIT Children's Ministry
Sunday School Lessons

September	9.22: Serving Others 9.29: Welcoming Others
October	10.6: God's Love for Children 10.13: Following Jesus 10.20: MISSION SUNDAY 10.27: Intro to Christmas Pageant
November	11.3: God Promises a New Heaven and Earth 11.10: Giving From the Heart 11.17: STUDENT SUNDAY 11.24: Practice Christmas Pageant
December	12.1: Watching and Waiting 12.8: Preparing the Way 12.15: MISSION SUNDAY 12.22: Last Christmas Pageant Practice

youth ministry



IGNITE CONFERENCE

UMC Summit Youth will be heading to IGNITE 2024 for the day on Oct. 12! This high-energy event for grades 6-12 features powerful worship, inspiring messages, and fun activities, all while connecting with God and 2,000 youth from the region. Feel free to invite a friend. Deadline to let Miss Carrie know if you are interested is Oct. 1st, email CYFMinister@umcsummit.org for more information.

IMPORTANT DATES

- 11.17.24 Student Sunday
- 11.17.24 Youth Mental Health Awareness Night
- 12.7.24 Pictures with Mr. and Mrs. Clause
- 12.8.24 Talent Show
- 12.22.24 Christmas Caroling
- 12.24.24 Christmas Eve Services
- 2.12.25 Easter Egg Hunt



NEW! Creative Christianity
Sundays, 9:30AM in the Green Room

Creative Christianity is an intergenerational Bible study designed to bring all ages together in exploring Scripture by incorporating our creative side in meaningful activities. Each week, we'll focus on a different Bible passage and pair it with an engaging activity like planting potted plants, making Advent wreaths, crafting prayer bracelets, or creating art through painting. For more information or to volunteer please see Carrie-Lee Farnham, CYF Minister, or email:

CYFMinister@umcsummit.org

YOGAFAITH

Yogafaith
Thursdays 7PM
Fridays 11AM

Yogafaith is back! Join us Thursday evenings in the Social Hall or Friday mornings in the chapel as we stretch our faith while we stretch our bodies! All levels are welcome, no experience necessary. Suggested donation of \$10 per class. Email Pastor@umsummit.org for more info!