



United Methodist Church of Summit



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April 27, 2025

Second Sunday of Easter

The United Methodist Church of Summit is a diverse church committed to serving the Lord Jesus Christ, dedicated to building disciples, passionate about growing in faith, and motivated to be a voice of hope for the world.

PRELUDE: Voluntary on the Sacred Tune
This Is My Father's World

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PREPARATION OF HEARTS AND MINDS FOR WORSHIP

***CALL TO WORSHIP:** Alison Johnson

Leader: In the rising of the morning sun, the Holy speaks:

People: You are my children. Shine!

Leader: In the greening of the Earth and blooming of creation, the Holy speaks:

People: You are my children. Grow!

Leader: In the mountains reaching toward the sky, the Holy speaks:

People: You are my children. Stand with strength!

Leader: In the darkness of the winter days, the Holy speaks:

People: You are my children. Trust!

Leader: In the presence of the skies that float above us and the assurance of the Earth beneath us And with the calm of the Spirit within us, the Holy speaks:

People: You are my children. Live!

Written by Sally Johnson, United Methodist Creation Justice Movement

***CENTERING PRAYER:** *(in unison)* Alison Johnson

Creator God, you call us to take on the holiness you have planted within us. In our worship this day, open our eyes and hearts to your movement that longs to make a home in us. So be it. Amen.

***OPENING HYMN:** *(please remain standing as you are able)*
UMH #62 All Creatures of Our God and King

CHILDREN'S MOMENT Carrie-Lee Farnham, CYF Minister

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Carol Conway

***HYMN OF PREPARATION:** *(please rise as you are able)*
TFWS #2060 *God the Sculptor of the Mountains*

SCRIPTURE READING: Alison Johnson

Old Testament: Genesis 1: 27-28 (RSV)

So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them. And God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth." *This is the Word of God, for the people of God,*
People: Thanks Be to God.

CHOIR ANTHEM: *The Garden* Mark Hayes
Chancel Choir

SERMON: *God Has Work For Us to Do* Bill Glancy

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

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION

***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#707 *Hymn of Promise*

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE: *Majestic Fanfare in F Major*

** Denotes please rise in body or spirit as you are able*

This Week's Schedule

Sunday, April 27th:

9:00am-9:30am Instrumental Rehearsal
9:30am-10:00am Chancel Choir
10:00am-10:30am Bell Choir
10:30am-11:30am In-person/online Worship
10:45am-11:30am 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, April 28th:

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

Tuesday, April 29th:

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

Wednesday, April 30th:

9:30am-10:15am Baby Bandstand (Social Hall)
1:30pm-9:30pm Debbi's Dance

Thursday, May 1st:

2:45pm-9:00pm Debbi's Dance

Friday, May 2nd:

9:30am-12:30pm Music Together (Social Hall)
7:30pm-8:30pm Pilgrim Group (Fellowship Room)

Saturday, May 3rd:

8:30am-4:30pm Debbi's Dance
9:00am-12:00pm Garden cleanup & mulch (Memorial Garden)
9:30 am-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-3:00pm Instrumental Rehearsal
2:00pm-10:00pm Casa de Estudio de Torah (Fellowship Room)
2:30pm-3:30pm Liturgical Dance

ANNOUNCEMENTS



UMC Summit Scholarships!

Do you know someone who could benefit from receiving a scholarship to make college more affordable? Apply now or share this opportunity! The application deadline is April 30th, so don't miss out! Check the church website to apply.



Memorial Garden Clean-up and Mulching Day!

Please join us in a Spring clean-up of the Reeves Memorial Garden on May 3, 2025 from 9:00-12:00. All are welcome to participate!

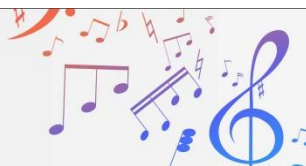


Please sign up to provide a meal for our friend Emily LaJeunesse and her family as she recuperates from surgery. The link for Meal Train is here: <https://mealtrain.com/53r02z>



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MUSIC MINISTRY



Come and make a joyful sound! Come before the Lord with Praise and Thanksgiving! Come and share your gift of music as we praise and worship the Lord in our magnificent Sanctuary!

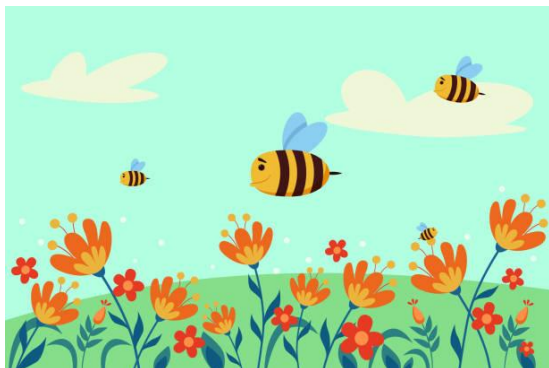
Saturdays: 12:00PM Bell Choir, 12:30PM Contemporary Ensemble, 1:00PM Chancel Choir, 2:00PM Instrumental

Sundays: 9:00AM Instrumental, 9:30AM Chancel Choir, 10:00AM Bell Choir, 10:30AM Worship, 11:45 Singing Believers

Please come and make music to the Lord with your church friends. For more information, please e-mail Director of Music, JoAnne Teubner Prussak, at office@umcsummit.org

Children Youth and Families Upcoming Events

UPCOMING EVENTS		
1.19 - 2.9	Souper Bowl of Caring	Chili Cook Off @ 3 PM 2.16
2.23	Youth Mental Health Night @ 3-6 PM	Ash Wednesday Service @ 7 PM 3.5
3.12	Wednesday Lent Soup Supper Begins @ 6 PM	Prom Shop @ 11 AM - 4 PM 4.5
4.6	Egg Stuffing Party	Easter Egg Hunt 4.12
4.17	Maundy Thursday Service @ 7:30 PM	Good Friday Service @ 7:30 PM 4.18
4.20	Easter Breakfast @ 9:30 AM	Easter Service @ 10:30 AM 4.20
6.8	Education Sunday Service @ 10:30 AM	BBQ Picnic @ 11:30 AM 6.8
6.15	Music Ministry Sunday @ 10:30 AM	TEA with a TWIST @ 3:30 PM 6.8



**SUMC
POLLINATOR
GARDEN
UPDATE. . . .
A HUGE THANK
YOU** to everyone
who donated to our
Pollinator Garden
initiative! We have
surpassed our

fundraising goal! The garden bed will be ready and waiting for all of us to join together and plant a pod **on Sunday, May 18th after worship**. We will celebrate our new garden with a fun-filled outdoor coffee hour. The theme will be “Honey” of course. Let’s grow our garden together as we grow our love for God’s creations.



Pastor Renewal Leave

Please note Pastor Laura will be away starting April 21st – May 5th. If you have a pastoral emergency please contact the church office at: 908-277-1700.



**Church-Wide
Town Hall
May 5th, 7PM-9PM**

Join us on Monday, May 5th, from 7pm-9pm in the Social Hall for a church-wide Town Hall to discuss a new

proposal for repurposing our existing Education Building. All active members should be receiving a more detailed letter in the mail.