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Second Sunday of Pentecost

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 *My Jesus, I Love Thee* A. Gordon

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PREPARATION OF HEARTS AND MINDS FOR WORSHIP

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Daniel Faniyan

Leader: As we have been baptized into Christ,

People: We are clothed with Christ.

Leader: And if we belong to Christ,

People: Then we are Abraham's offspring

Leader: And heirs according to the promise.

People: Thanks be to God.

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

Daniel Faniyan

Holy God, there is much that tries to separate us from one another. Creed and color, gender and nation, class and culture, earthly divisions that call for our fragmentation, but you call us to live together in your grace. You call us ALL your children. You call us beloved. Today, let the words "for all of you are one in Christ Jesus" guide us with every step. We pray this in His name. AMEN.

***OPENING HYMN: (please remain standing as you are able)**

UMH#375 *There Is a Balm in Gilead*

CHILDREN'S MOMENT:

Rev. Laura Steele

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Rev. Laura Steele

SCRIPTURE READING:

Daniel Faniyan

Old Testament: Psalm 42:1-5 (NRSV)

As a deer longs for flowing streams, so my soul longs for you, O God. My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When shall I come and behold the face of God? My tears have been my food day and night, while people say to me continually, "Where is your God?" These things I remember, as I pour out my soul: how I went with the throng and led them in procession to the house of God, with glad shouts and songs of thanksgiving, a multitude keeping festival. Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you disquieted within me? Hope in God, for I shall again praise him, my help and my God.

New Testament: Galatians 3:23-29 (NRSV)

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be reckoned as righteous by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek; there is no longer slave or free; there is no longer male and female, for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise. *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)*

TFWS #2025 *As the Deer*

SERMON: *Peace for the Restless Soul* 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 *Near to the Heart of God*

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 #428 *For the Healing of the Nations*

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE: Voluntary on *Psalm XIX*

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

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Beverly Alexis, Emily LaJeunesse, Patricia Greene, the family, friends, and classmates of Dylan Faulkner, Christine Matthews, Janice Matthews, Charles Farnham who is hospitalized with heart & kidney issues, Margarethe Farnham who is experiencing breathing issues, the family and friends of Summit firefighter Lonnn Mullen



Please join us in the Social Hall after worship for Coffee Hour!

We welcome all who have come this morning to worship, especially newcomers and visitors among us. Everyone is invited to come to Coffee Hour for refreshments and conversation immediately following

the service in our Social Hall by exiting the front of the Sanctuary and proceeding to the door through the breezeway. The restrooms are located in the back of the sanctuary. We ask everyone to silence their cell phones during the service and note that there are emergency exits in the rear and front right of the Sanctuary. May God bless us all as we gather for worship and fellowship together

This Week's Schedule

Sunday, June 22nd:

9:30am-10:00am Instrumental Rehearsal
10:00am-10:20am Summer Choir
10:30am-11:30am In-person/online Worship
11:30am-12:30pm Coffee Hour
7:30pm-8:30pm Pilgrim Group (Fellowship Room)

Monday, June 23rd:

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

Tuesday, June 24th:

9:30am-11:15am Baby Bandstand (Social Hall)
7:30pm-8:30pm Pilgrim Group (Fellowship Room)

Wednesday, June 25th:

Thursday, June 26th:

Friday, June 27th:

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

Saturday, June 28th:

12:00pm-2:00pm Instrumental Rehearsal
2:00pm-10:00pm Casa de Estudio de Torah (Fellowship Room)
2:30pm-3:30pm Liturgical Dance

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEW: "Come to the Table" Small Group, Sundays after Church

Starting this summer there will be an extra table set up during Coffee Hour for those who want to dig deeper into God's Word. We are calling this small group "Come to the Table" and you can grab some refreshments and join in

conversation and fellowship about the day's Scripture readings and sermon topics. this is a "self led" group. There is no sign-up or commitment to join this group, just COME TO THE TABLE! All are welcome.



ANNUAL BACK TO SCHOOL DRIVE UNTIL AUGUST 25TH

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 can be dropped off at the church office Monday-Friday from 9AM-1PM or dropped off in the bins in the sanctuary Sunday mornings before or after worship.



Pastor Laura will be away **June 23rd-July 1st**. If you have a pastoral emergency, please call Rev. Victor Franco at (732) 925-4133.

CommUNITY Camp 2025

Join us for commUNITY Camp & After Camp 2025 at Central Presbyterian Church from July 21–25, 2025. commUNITY Camp is for Pre-K to 5th grade, running from 8:30 AM to 12:00 PM, and After Camp is for K–5th grade, running from 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM. The cost is \$75 with a family max of \$150 for the morning session, and \$75 for the afternoon session. Full and partial scholarships are available, just make sure to note your need on the registration form. Make sure to register now before spaces fill up. Youth and adults are welcome to volunteer. We hope to see you there.



Donate to our Scholarship Funds!

The UMC of Summit is now collecting donations for our church's **Scholarship Funds (Welsh and Wyckoff)**, which help to support students in our congregation and the community as they pursue higher education. Every gift—large or small—makes a difference in the life of a young person. To donate, simply mark

"Scholarship Fund" on your check or envelope or give online through our website: www.umcsummit.org and click on GIVE. Thank you for investing in the future of our youth!

Sunday School on Break

During the summer, Sunday School will be taking a break, but that doesn't mean your family has to! While our regular classes are on pause, we'd love to see you in worship each week. Children are always welcome in the sanctuary. The summer is a great time to experience worship together as a family.



Sermon Notes

key verses:

prayers: