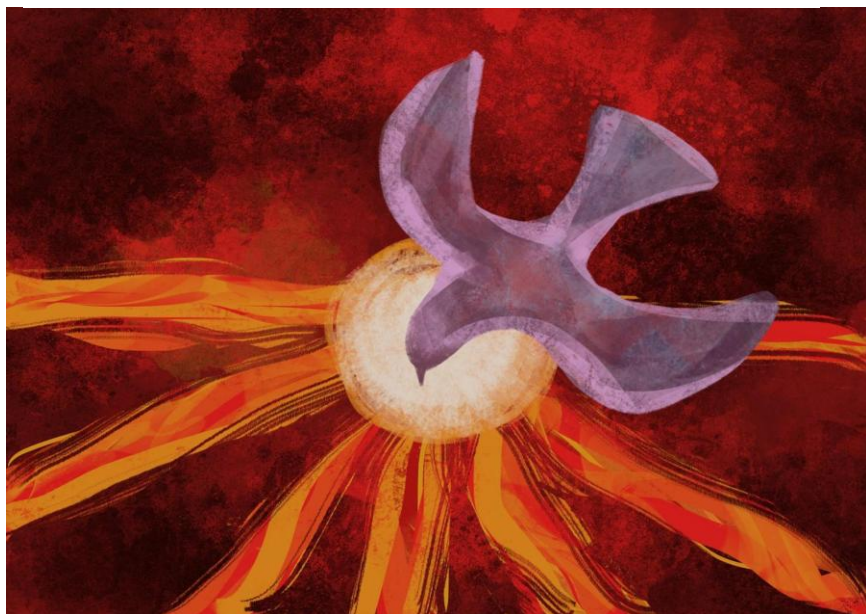




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June 8th, 2025
Pentecost Sunday
Education Sunday

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 *Holy God, We Praise Your Name*

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PREPARATION OF HEARTS AND MINDS FOR WORSHIP

***CALL TO WORSHIP:** Bill Glancy

Leader: Children of God, the Holy Spirit sweeps among us, binding us together as one family in Christ.

People: We arrive this day as children of God, beneficiaries of God's grace.

Leader: The Holy Spirit moves among us, creating and renewing the whole of creation, inspiring us to offer that amazing grace to one another.

People: We are children of God, strengthened and sustained by God's love.

Leader: The Holy Spirit lives among us, surrounding us with mercy and forgiveness, witnessing to us about God's steadfast love for God's people.

People: We are children of God, witnesses to Light.

Leader: Whether in a rushing wind or a gentle breath, the Holy Spirit welcomes you here, for we are all children of God, brought together by grace.

People: We are children of God, knit together by the Spirit.
Thanks be to God! AMEN!

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

Bill Glancy

Holy Trinity, God in three parts, may we remember the Acts of the Holy Spirit this day - the strength of the Advocate, sent in Jesus' name, to sustain us day to day. May we feel the Spirit's presence once again, just as the original peoples, the original disciples of Christ, felt gathered on that first Day of Pentecost. May you rush into our hearts and liberate our

souls. May we be empowered by your Spirit to live a more faithful and more fiery life for God. Amen.

***OPENING HYMN:** *(please remain standing as you are able)*
UMH #393 Spirit of the Living God (sung 3x)

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Sunday School Moving Up Ceremony

Carrie-Lee Farnham, CYF Minister
and Alison Johnson, Seminary Intern

CONFIRMATION CEREMONY:

2025 Confirmation Class: Malik Hall
Confirmation Sponsor: Jennifer Rosa

ANTHEM: *We Are The Church* R. Avery, D. Marsh
Singing Believers

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Beverly Alexis

ANTHEM: *You Are Mine* Mark Hayes
Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE READING: Bill Glancy

New Testament: Acts: 2:1-4, 17-21(NRSV)

The Coming of the Holy Spirit

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams, Even upon my slaves, both men and

women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.' *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 #2237 *As a Fire is Meant for Burning*

SERMON: *The Spirit Gave Them ABILITY* Rev. Laura Steele

**SCHOLARSHIP PRESENTATIONS AND GRADUATION
RECOGNITION:** SUMC Education Committee

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

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION
Covenant Prayer J. Locklear, A. Seate
Contemporary Ensemble

***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 #572 *Pass it On*

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE: Voluntary on the Hymn *He's Got the Whole World in His Hands* for Trumpet and Piano

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



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.

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

Starting next Sunday, June 15th, 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. There is no sign-up or commitment to join this group, just COME TO THE TABLE! All are welcome.

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

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 Lonn Mullen, Casey-Jane Farnham and the family of Arthur Knight, who passed away on 5/5/25 at 3:15 pm, Meredith Smith, Emily LaJeunesse, Daniel Faniyan for Divine Guidance, Greg K. and family, Patricia Green, Dotti Zotti, Beverly Alexis, the family and loved ones of Adrian Phillips, Jane McKinley, United Methodists in Nigeria, the family and friends of Brock Button, Shanotte Smith, Dick Duenkel, Mary Anne Viaud

This Week's Schedule

Sunday, June 8th:

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
11:30am-12:30pm Coffee Hour
11:45am-12:15pm Singing Believers
7:30pm-8:30pm Pilgrim Group (Fellowship Room)

Monday, June 9th:

4:00am-9:00pm AC 2025, Inc. (Social Hall)
7:45pm-9:30pm Gamblers Anonymous (Fellowship Room)

Tuesday, June 10th:

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

Wednesday, June 11th:

Thursday, June 12th:

Friday, June 13th:

7:30pm-8:30pm Pilgrim Group (Fellowship Room)

Saturday, June 14th:

8:00am-12:00am RAD Theatricals (Social Hall/Stage)
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



ANNUAL BACK TO SCHOOL DRIVE STARTS THIS WEEK – 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 to the church office Monday-Friday from 9AM-1PM or dropped off in the bins in the sanctuary Sunday mornings before or after worship.

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.



Education Sunday Luncheon

June 8th, 11:30AM

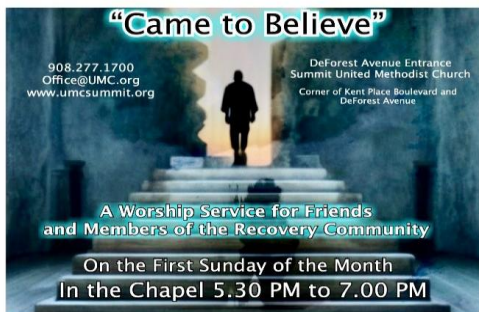
Join us after worship today as we celebrate our 2025 Scholarship Recipients, Confirmants, and recognize our 2025 graduates! All are welcome.



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!



Came to Believe Worship

Our next **Came to Believe** Service is Sunday, July 6, at 5:30PM. This an interactive, informal, service. Please join us in the Chapel for a moving service. All are welcome!