# Faith & Oregon Community United Methodist Churches



# April 26, 2020 at 10:30AM - Third Sunday of Easter

ELCOME FRIENDS: We have come together to worship God and to love one another. Today we remember the resurrection of Jesus, our Messiah—remembering that he chose to come and live among us, was willing to even die on the cross for us, and then rose from the dead to redeem our souls. While we are worshiping online, we also are aware that we are not alone—for the Holy Spirit has gathered us together across space and time. You are welcome in this sacred space no matter who you are; from where you have come; or what experiences, struggles, questions or gifts you bring. We are glad you are here...and hope you find what you need in today's service. May God bless you!

### **GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Pastor Jason** 

So that we can track attendance, please sign into the Online Facebook Video Stream by Reacting (a Like or Love), by posting a comment in the Facebook Feed, or by sending an email to JBPerkowski@gmail.com. Let us know who all watched the video with you and send in any prayer requests that we can lift up.

# A TIME FOR CENTERING & PRAYER

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever. (Psalm 96:7 & Revelation 5:13b)

Christ is risen! Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Soar we now where Christ has led, following our exalted Head;

Made like Him, like Him we rise; ours the cross, the grave, the skies! (Charles Wesley)

(UMC BOW #385-387)

HYMN Christ the Lord Is Risen Today UMH #302 v. 1, 2, 4 & 5

SCRIPTURE LESSON Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19 Bob Jolly

This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!

**CHILDREN'S TIME** 

HYMN Hallelujah! What a Savior UMH #165

SCRIPTURE LESSON Acts 2:14a, 36-41 Bob Jolly

This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!

THE PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE PRAYER OF CONFESSION & PARDON THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor Jason & God's People

UMH #895

HYMN Just as I Am, Without One Plea UMH #357 v.1, 2, 3 & 5

SCRIPTURE LESSON 1 Peter 1:17-23 Bob Jolly

This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!

SERMON Reverent Repentance and Transformation Pastor Jason
Sermon Series: Boldly and Bravely Devoted to an Easter Life

HYMN Blessed Assurance UMH #369

BENEDICTION Pastor Jason

Faith Worship Team Director: Phil Buchanan;

**Faith Instrumentalists**: Liz Hornberger, Dolly Bankert Haar, Brian Kohler, Nick Margerum & the Faith Singers.

OCUMC Pianist: Jody Norton & Cellist, Guitar and Vocals: Anthony Wiker
Audio / Visual Technology: Dennis Meck, Sr. & Bryan Nelson
Pastor: The Rev. Jason Perkowski
Ministers: The People of God

Explore our websites at FaithUMC.US and OregonCommunityUMC.US for more information about our churches and ministries.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**PASTOR JASON & CAROL OFFICE HOURS:** We are primarily working from home. The best way to reach us directly is by email or cell phone.

**SPECIAL NEEDS:** If you or someone you know has special needs that the church can support, please contact Pastor Jason and we will do our best to provide help. This includes people to grocery shop or pick up other supplies for those who are at risk for the virus. If anyone is still in need of a cloth face mask, please let us know that as well.

Also note that calling **211 or visiting www.211.org** will put you in touch with the **United Way Call Center** which can direct you to social service organizations to provide help. If someone is in crisis, suffering from **severe depression or is suicidal**, please call **Lancaster County Crisis Intervention Lifeline: 717-394-2631** 

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

#### OFFERING TITHES & GIFTS TO THE LORD

If you are able to make an offering to our ministries, we encourage you to do so. If you are facing economic uncertainties, we understand that you may not be able to give at this time—and encourage you to let us know how we can help you. You can mail checks to the churches, give online via the "Online Giving" Button at FaithUMC.US, or have your bank mail your donations.

If you would like to give to the Benevolence Fund or the new Lancaster City Food Ministry Fund to support the needs of people in the community, please mark your donations accordingly. A donation of \$7 buys a box of food for a family for a week through Blessings of Hope. Make checks payable to Faith UMC and we will send in one donation to support this Food Ministry.

#### JUNIOR CHURCH ZOOM SESSION AT 9:30 AM EACH SUNDAY

Kids up to 4<sup>th</sup> Grade are invited to join the Junior Church online with Julie Hassara after this morning's worship. You can see the teacher and other students by video. We are also sending out weekly activity pages by email. If you are interested please email us at faithumc@hotmail.com. **Join Zoom Meeting:** 

https://us04web.zoom.us/j/484986057?pwd=Wi9wSDBaUitPek8wVUluVFo2cnBiUT09

# YOUTH MINISTRY ZOOM SESSIONS AT 5 PM EACH SUNDAY

Youth in 5<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to join us for weekly youth group online: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/421338708?pwd=ZmxzNUpEUXN5aTNIWIR1bEpST0dWdz09

#### FRIDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY AT 10AM

We are resuming our weekly Bible Study online using Zoom. Youth and adults are welcome to join us. Each week we will study the scriptures from the weekly lectionary (available at https://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/texts.php?id=42). You can join us for this interactive session (you will be able to see and hear one another) via Zoom by logging in at:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83172825482?pwd=MEFDTVBBQlRlYjRoTm9zcGMyalB1dz09

**Meeting ID:** 831 7282 5482 **Password:** 351077

One tap mobile: +16468769923,,83172825482#,,#,351077# US (New York) **Dial by telephone:** +1 646 876 9923 (New York), or +1 301 715 8592 (Maryland)

#### PASTORAL ENCOURAGEMENT & SUNDAY SERVICES

Each Sunday we will have church online via Facebook Live at 10:30AM. You can also see videos of encouragement during the week from Pastor Jason. These are all publicly available whether or not you have Facebook via the links on the "Sermons" Page at FaithUMC.US.

**SPECIAL MUSIC OR SCRIPTURE READERS:** If you are interested in recording special music for use during the online worship service or to record yourself reading the scriptures, please let Pastor Jason know. These would be nice ways to help folks be able to connect with the church family that they are missing.

# **PRAYER REQUESTS:**

#### **OUR CONCERNS:**

The UMC and the delegates to 2021 General Conference as we seek to find a way to make space for all people to be welcomed in God's kingdom and to address theological differences around human sexuality

President Donald Trump & VP Michael Pence

Presidential and Legislative candidates

All government & military officials and their staff from the US & other nations: wisdom & safety

Veterans and Service Members

Civilians, leaders, and soldiers in war torn regions

Victims of "religious," white supremacist and racist bombings and shootings, esp. in churches, mosques, synagogues, and schools globally

For peace & wisdom in areas of conflict

Police officers and their families

Individuals & families of those harmed in interactions with

First responders, emergency personnel, and medical staff caring for people in traumatic situations

For an end to violence and wrath—including gun violence, domestic violence, terrorism, and weapons of mass

Victims & families involved in violent crime, sexual abuse and harassment

Abusers and their families

Repentance from (hetero)sexism & racism

Healing & peace for divisions caused by race, class, gender, sexuality, politics & fears

All affected by the volcanoes, hurricanes, floods, earthquakes, fires, and mudslides

Refugees & huddled masses yearning to be free

People who are hungry and homeless

Security and immigration reform

Prisoners & Prison Leadership

Schools & Education Reform

Members of AA, NA, & AlAnon

Those struggling with addictions, finances, etc.

Those suffering from depression, suicidal ideation, and other mental health issues

Persons in nursing homes

All those caring for sick loved ones

Those grieving the loss of loved ones

Wisdom around natural resources and the environment

Eradication of deadly diseases

Parents raising children—esp. new parents

Bishop Johnson, the EPAUMC Staff, and District Superintendent BK Chung and appointments

Coleman Memorial Chapel & Rev. Beverly Andrews

Rev. Dorcas, her UMC ministries in Sierra Leone, and her husband Daniel's health

Youth Ministry

Udobo School in Durban, South Africa

Campus Ministry: Ed Weber & the United Campus

Ministry at Millersville; Rev. David Piltz & Rev. Diana Esposito at Drexel & West Chester; Rev. Dr. Mel Sensenig & Rev. Ibrahim Bangura at Albright;

Rev. Dan Lebo at Lebanon Valley

Charlotte Garfield

Sherry Guard – recovery from broken back

Brian and Tina Grimm – health & jobs

Becky, Angela and Maria Rodriguez – custody

Becky Rodriguez – kidney failure & dialysis

Phil Buchanan – strength & healing in legs/back

Dottie Sheaffer – healing for back

Harry & Ella Buchanan – strength & healing

Eileen Williams – healing for muscles

Shelda's granddaughter Bella's health

Bradley McGowan - ALS

Linda Philbin – multi-focal motor neuropathy

Donna Parmer – ongoing medical conditions

Those with cancer: inc. Joanne Osborn, Cyndi

Campbell, Dean Grove, Mark Reitzel, Brian Rhodes, Pat Shenk, Kerry Link, Trish Allyn

Brian Rhodes – Upcoming PEP Scan

Rosemary (Marilyn Jones' sister) – healing

Noah Boughter - wisdom, safety and recovery

Brenda, Dave and Mike Loechner – stresses

Mary's siblings: Eva and David

Diana Valentine – strength, peace and healing

Annette McClarigan & family

Willem Vanhuystee & family

Patryk Reksinska – healing

Curt & Sandy O'Brien (Rhonda's parents) – healing

Carl Jones – strength & healing

Bill Heinaman – strength & healing

The people of Puerto Rico, Jamaica and other places affected by earthquakes

Kristin Reifsnyder

Aimee

Don Klos

Residents and staff of Nursing Homes & families

Pastor Jim's Aunt Margaret

Margaret "Holly" Perkowski

Students & Teachers of all ages

Workers – those still reporting to jobsites, those learning to telecommute, and those who lost jobs

COVID-19 Virus Patients & Healthcare Workers

Scientists and Engineers working on cures and devices

Margie Urban – healing

Wagaman/Schroeder family

Michelle Bame – company & co-workers

#### **OUR PRAISES:**

God's presence through illness and struggle Family, friends, and a welcoming church Mike Loechner - back to work after COVID-19