

Faith & Oregon Community United Methodist Churches



September 27, 2020 at 10:30AM – 17th Sunday after Pentecost

WELCOME FRIENDS: We have come together to worship God and to love one another. While worshipping online, we also are aware that we are not alone—for the Holy Spirit gathers us 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 today.

GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Jason

Please 'sign in' by liking or commenting on the video or sending an email to JBPerkowski@gmail.com. Let us know who watched the video with you and send in any prayer requests that we can lift up.

A TIME FOR CENTERING & PRAYER

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Jason & God's People

We come to worship and praise our God, and to learn more about the wonders of our God.

How great and wonderful is our Compassionate God.

We come, with ears and hearts open to God, ready to discover more of God's mysteries and miracles. **How generous and caring is our Unchanging God.**

We gather to share together in our common history, and to experience the enrichment which that brings us.

All praise and honour to God for past and present blessings, and for God's merciful love and grace. Amen.

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HYMN

Wonderful Words of Life

UMH #600

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16

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

CHILDREN'S TIME

Pastor Jason

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 21:23-32

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

HYMN

Have Thine Own Way, Lord

UMH #382

THE PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE & BLESSING OF THE PRAYER SHAWLS THE LORD'S PRAYER

UMH #895

SPECIAL MUSIC

When I Don't Know What To Do

Dolly Bankert-Haar

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Philippians 2:1-13

Pastor Jason

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

SERMON

Submitting to God

Pastor Jason

HYMN

The Potter's Hand

by Darlene Zschech

Faith Worship Team Director: Phil Buchanan;

Faith Instrumentalists: Liz Hornberger, Dolly Bankert Haar & the Faith Singers.

OCUMC Pianist: Jody Wiker & **Cellist, Guitar and Vocals:** Anthony Wiker

Audio / Visual Technology: Bryan Nelson

Pastor: The Rev. Jason Perkowski **Ministers:** The People of God

Explore OregonCommunityUMC.US & FaithUMC.US for more info about our churches.

WORSHIP SERVICES ARE BROADCAST at FM 89.9 each Sunday at 10:30AM as well as on Facebook Live through the churches' and Pastors' Facebook pages & church websites.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

PASTOR JASON & CAROL OFFICE HOURS: We are working between home and the office. The best way to reach us directly is by email or cell phone. Pastor Jason: (717) 333-9238 or jbperkowski@gmail.com. Office: (717) 560-0321 or faithumc@hotmail.com

SWEET LIFE OUTDOOR CONCERT on the lawn at Faith UMC, **TONIGHT at 6:00 pm.** Please wear masks and bring your own chairs. We will have each family sit 6 feet apart from others. This musical duo plays a variety of original songs and covers. They will provide a wonderful concert while you relax and enjoy a beautiful fall evening. Come out—and invite friends. A free will offering will be taken. No tickets or registration are required. Rain date: Oct. 4

UMC CAMPS are financially struggling due to the cancellation of summer camp, retreats, and other programs due to COVID-19. If you would like to support those camps you can make a donation at: Treasurer's Office, Eastern PA Conference, P.O. Box 820, Valley Forge, PA 19482 with *Camp and Retreat Ministries* in the memo line. Text-to-Give at 610-463-0244 (with *CAMP - Camp Retreat Ministry*) or <https://www.epaumc.org/administration/finance/giving/> or submit to Faith UMC.

YOU ARE REQUIRED TO WEAR A MASK AND TO PHYSICALLY DISTANCE (AT 6 FEET APART) while you are in our building, even if you are just stopping in for a few minutes to drop something off or pick something up. Let's do our part to keep everyone safe.

SPECIAL NEEDS: If someone has needs the church can support, please contact Pastor Jason. You can also dial **2-1-1** or visit www.211.org to reach the **United Way Call Center** who can direct you to social service organizations. You can also reach the **Crisis Intervention Lifeline: 717-394-2631**

COMMUNION: We will offer a no-contact Communion Service in the Faith UMC parking lot on **October 11th at 1pm (usually every First Sunday)**. You will need to **bring your own bread and juice** which will be collectively blessed by Pastor Jason during the service. You will also need to stay in your vehicles with windows closed to keep one another safe. **We will broadcast the service on FM 89.9 to your car radios. WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY** will also be observed on Oct 11th. (See Faith-a-Gram for more information).

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

PASTOR JASON WILL BE AWAY OCTOBER 2 - 10. For Pastoral Care during that period contact: Michelle Bame at 717-665-1971 / leonshel38@gmail.com, Melissa Urban at 717-715-3664 / melissa_urban@comcast.net, or Carol Kennedy in the office 717-560-0321 / faithumc@hotmail.com. *They'll contact the pastor providing Pastoral Coverage.*

JUNIOR CHURCH BY ZOOM AT 9:30 AM EACH SUNDAY: Kids up to 4th Grade are invited to join us online with Julie Hassara. We are emailing weekly activity pages *and the Zoom password*. If interested, email faithumc@hotmail.com. **Join Zoom:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86236612038>

YOUTH GROUP BY ZOOM AT 5 PM EACH SUNDAY: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/421338708>
The link & password will be sent by text message.

CHATTING CLUB: MONDAYS AT 7 PM BY ZOOM. We discuss a new interesting topic each week & make space for various opinions. Join us: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86190453518>.

This Week's Topic: Join us as we discuss the wildfires scorching our country and how they can be a reminder of spiritual dryness. **Check out [ChattingAtTheGeneralSutter.US](#) for more info.**

FRIDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY BY ZOOM AT 10 AM: We discuss the scriptures for the upcoming sermon. Click here to join us: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83172825482>

TO ZOOM BY PHONE: (646) 876 9923 (NY) or (301) 715 8592 (MD) and enter the 11 digit number at the end of the links listed above for the meeting you are trying to join.

EVENING BIBLE STUDY led by Amy Boughter is meeting in-person on Wednesdays at 6:00 PM in the Welcome Center at Faith UMC. Masks and social distancing (6 feet apart) are required. We are currently studying a variety of life application topics. Everyone is welcome—men and women, young and experienced!

THE WOMEN OF FAITH WILL MEET on Wednesday, Oct 7th under the tree at Faith UMC at 11:30 AM. Please wear a mask (except when you are eating), sit 6 feet apart, bring your own lunch and chair. Folding chairs will be placed outside to help with spacing. You may place your chair between the folding chairs. Let the office know if you would prefer a Zoom meeting.

OFFERING TITHES & GIFTS TO THE LORD: If you are able to make an offering to our Ministries or the Debt Reduction Fund, we encourage you to do so. If you are facing economic uncertainties, *please let us know how we can help you.* **BENEVOLENCES:** You may give to the **Faith UMC or OCUMC Benevolence Funds** to be used to help people in our churches and community. You can also give to the **Community Care Ministry** which will be split between the 1) Lancaster City / Columbia Food Banks and Tutoring 2) Anchorage Breakfast & 3) Long Memorial Friday Night Food Ministry. Please mark *Benevolence* or *Community Care Ministry* in memo. **You can mail a check** to Faith UMC, 1290 Fruitville Pike, Lititz PA 17543 or Oregon Community UMC, 1214 Creek Rd, Lititz, PA 17543 or **donate digitally using the [Online Giving](#) link at FaithUMC.US.** You can also make a donation to our UMC Camps



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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
For peace & wisdom in areas of conflict
Police officers and their families
Individuals & families harmed in interactions with police
First responders, emergency personnel, and medical staff
For an end to violence—including gun violence, domestic violence, terrorism, and weapons of mass destruction
Victims & families involved in violent crime, sexual abuse and harassment
Abusers and their families
Healing & peace for divisions caused by race, class, gender, sexuality, politics & fears
All affected by natural disasters—including hurricanes
The people of Puerto Rico, Jamaica and other places affected by earthquakes
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
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
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
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; & Lebanon Valley
Becky, Angela and Maria Rodriguez – custody
Becky Rodriguez – kidney failure & dialysis
Phil Buchanan – strength & healing in legs/back
Harry & Ella Buchanan – strength & healing
Norm Whteley – health
Charlotte Garfield
Dottie Sheaffer – healing for back

Eileen Williams – healing for muscles
Shelda's granddaughter Bella's health
Bradley McGowan – ALS
Linda Philbin – multi-focal motor neuropathy & sprain
Donna Parmer – ongoing medical conditions
Those with cancer: inc. Brian Rhodes, Cyndi Campbell, Dean Grove, Mark Reitzel, Pat Shenk, Kerry Link, Joe, John Rathvon
Rosemary (Marilyn Jones' sister) – healing
Noah Boughter – wisdom, safety and recovery
Annette McClarigan & family
Willem Vanhuystee & family
Ptryk Reksinska – healing
Carl Jones – strength & healing
Heather Lindsey
Don Klos – healing and strength after surgery
Michelle Rathvon Mitterer – healing from strokes
Pastor Jim's Aunt Margaret Willett
Chuck Flory – ALS
Darlene Brown – Abdominal surgery
Lorraine Jones - Arthritis
Margie Urban –Ecoli infection and heart problems
Dave Urban – recovering from a fall
Kathleen Shifflet – rheumatoid arthritis
Joetta Henry
Bob Jolly's parents
Katie & Dustin Oakes in Japan
Clarita – kidney issues
Mary Shenk's sister Eva
All Impacted by COVID-19: patients; healthcare workers & their families; families of the ill; residents, staff and families of those in nursing homes; students, teachers and parents; workers still reporting to jobsites, learning to telecommute, or who lost jobs; scientists and engineers working on cures and devices; native reservations
Quinn – recovering from COVID-19
Parents raising children—esp. new parents and those educating their children at home due to COVID
Laurel Meck - healing
Diana Valentine – recovery from ankle surgery
Justice and true peace regarding racial tensions
Military service members who are deployed
Mike Loechner – health
Adalyn, Eileen Williams's neice– possible virus
Shirley Herr in hospice center
Wagaman/Schroeder family after a house fire
Sebastian—recovery
Jason Hurst– grandson of Judy Hurst
Young persons who were arrested in Lancaster City— for justice and peace to take place.
Dean and Family—wildfires and other needs
Judy Hurst - eyes
OUR PRAISES:
God's presence through illness and struggle
Brian Rhodes' cancer is responding to chemotherapy