

## PRAYER REQUESTS:

### OUR CONCERNS:

The UMC and General Conference Delegates as we seek God's will regarding human sexuality & our mission to make disciples of Jesus  
President Joe Biden and VP Kamala Harris  
Wisdom & safety for all government officials and their staff- from the US & other nations  
Veterans and Service Members  
Civilians, leaders, and soldiers in war torn regions including Afghanistan  
For peace & wisdom in areas of conflict  
Police officers and their families  
Folks harmed in interactions with police  
Emergency personnel & medical staff  
For an end to violence in all forms  
Victims & families involved in violent crime, sexual abuse racism, and harassment  
Abusers and their families  
Healing & peace for divisions caused by race, class, gender, sexuality, politics & fears  
All affected by natural disasters  
Wisdom around natural resources & the environment  
Eradication of deadly diseases—incl. COVID-19  
Refugees & huddled masses yearning to be free  
People who are hungry and homeless  
Security and immigration reform  
Prisoners & Prison Leadership  
Schools, Education and Foster Care Reform  
Members of AA, NA, & AlAnon and their families  
Those struggling with addictions, finances, etc.  
Those suffering depression & mental health illnesses  
All those caring for sick loved ones  
Those grieving the loss of loved ones  
Bishop Schol, EPAUMC Staff, and DS BK Chung Coleman Memorial Chapel & calling a new pastor  
Rev. Dorcas, her eyes & ministries in Sierra Leone  
Udobo School in Durban, South Africa  
Campus Ministry: Jacob Marino at Millersville University; Rev. Will Brawner & Rev. Diana Esposito at Drexel & West Chester; Rev. Dr. Mel Sensenig & Rev. Ibrahim Bangura at Albright; & Rev. Andrea Haldeman at Lebanon Valley  
Norm Whiteley (Ella's brother) – health

Charlotte Garfield  
Dottie Sheaffer – healing for back & eyes  
Eileen Williams – muscles, healing, and friendships  
Shelda's granddaughter Bella's health  
Bradley McGowan – ALS  
Linda Philbin – motor neuropathy  
Noah Boughter – wisdom, safety and recovery  
Those with cancer: Cyndi Campbell, Dean Grove, Mark Reitzel, Kerry Link, Joe, John Rathvon, Glenn (friend of Harbisons), Duane Lehman, Allan Dutton, Smith's nephew Mark, Lori, Georgia Greiner, Jonathan (nephew of Ralph)  
Carl Jones – strength & healing  
Rosemary (Marilyn Jones' sister) – healing  
Michelle Rathvon Mitterer – healing from strokes  
Chuck Flory – ALS  
Darlene Brown – Abdominal surgery  
John – Cardiac Issues  
Clarita – kidney issues  
All Impacted by COVID-19  
Alan Price – Buni's father for health  
Klos extended family for various illnesses and needs  
Ray – recovering from strokes  
Margie & Terry Urban's granddaughter Analise  
Annette McClarigan – health & son Kyle's family  
Diana Valentine  
Brooke & Dennis Dankenbring & family  
Dennis Pounds (Brooke's Uncle) - healing  
Erek Perkowski and his son Shaughn – custody  
Angela & Maria Rodriguez – to be safe & thrive  
Izabel, Oaklee, Carson, Matthew & their parents  
Gene Onest – health issues  
Bill Heinaman – back pain  
Terry Kofroth – continued healing  
Lydia Erk - pregnancy  
Abbe – protection and healthy future  
Aaron Goddard - traumatic brain injury  
Jake Ruhl – problems with swallowing  
Shannon Edwards & family

### OUR PRAISES:

The gift of God incarnate as Jesus  
God's presence through illness and struggle  
Vaccinations & healings from COVID-19

*Please submit prayer requests (& updates) in writing or by email to the church office:  
faithumc@hotmail.com*

# Lost at Home

COME HOME FOR CHRISTMAS WORSHIP SERIES



## Welcome

**Faith United Methodist Church**  
**1290 Fruitville Pike, Lititz, PA 17543**  
**717-560-0321**

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**The Rev. Jason Perkowski jbperkowski@gmail.com Phone: 717-333-9238**

# Faith United Methodist Church



December 26, 2021 at 10:30 AM – 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Christmas

**W**ELCOME: We gather together to worship God: The Father, The Son, & the Holy Spirit. We celebrate that The Holy Spirit came upon the Virgin Mary, the Word of God became flesh within her, & on Christmas night some 2021 years ago she brought the only begotten Son, Jesus, into the world. You are welcome in this space to celebrate this miracle no matter who you are; from where you have come; what experiences, struggles or gifts you bring; or the questions, doubts & beliefs you carry. Together, we seek to honor & understand the gift of the Christ Child! We are so glad you are here!

## OUR OFFERINGS OF PRAYERS, PRESENCE, GIFTS, SERVICE & WITNESS

*There are offering plates by the doors to the sanctuary and the altar. You may also give online or by mail.*

## GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Pastor Jason**

*If you're worshipping online, please 'sign in' by commenting on the video & post prayer requests, too.*

## A TIME FOR CENTERING & PRAYER

\*HYMN *It Came Upon the Midnight Clear* **UMH #218 v. 1, 2, 4**

LIGHTING THE ADVENT CANDLES & CHRIST CANDLE **John & Priscilla Rice**

SCRIPTURE LESSON **Psalm 148** **Buni Harbison**  
*This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!*

\*HYMN *O Come All Ye Faithful* **UMH #234 v. 1-3**

\*HYMN *Joy To The World* **UMH #246 v. 1-2**

SCRIPTURE LESSON **Luke 2:15-20** **Buni Harbison**  
*This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!*

CHILDREN'S TIME **Terry Kofroth**

\*HYMN *Angels from the Realms of Glory* **UMH #220 v. 1, 2 & 4**

SCRIPTURE LESSON **Colossians 3:12-17** **Buni Harbison**  
*This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!*

THE PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER **UMH #895**

\*HYMN *Good Christian Friends Rejoice* **UMH #224**

SCRIPTURE LESSON **Luke 2:21-40** **Buni Harbison**

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

SERMON *No Need to Be Lost at Home* **Pastor Jason**

\*HYMN *Go Tell It on the Mountain* **UMH #251**

## BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH

*\* You are invited to stand*

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**Worship Music:** Jody & Anthony Wiker and the Worship Choir

**Audio / Visual Technology:** Dennis Meck, Sr.

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

**PRE-REGISTRATIONS are appreciated when attending in person** (and you may register for a month at a time). Walk-ins may register at door. Register at: <https://forms.gle/EezjoRzcX1uCNgn7>.

**WORSHIP SERVICES ARE ALSO BROADCAST on FM 89.9, Facebook & our website.**

**OFFICE COMMUNICATION:** Hours vary, so please contact us directly to see when we are available.

**COVID PROTOCOLS:** Confirmed COVID cases in Lancaster Co. are averaging over **332 new cases/day and 8 new deaths on Dec. 20.** Only **54%** of our county is vaccinated. **So, please wear a mask inside the building & throughout the Worship Service** (esp. as you enter, exit & sing). At this time, we will NOT turn anyone away because they are not wearing a mask, but **simply ask you to consider the needs of those around you who may be at high risk.** We also request social distancing.

**MEMBERSHIP:** If you are interested in learning more about the UMC and our local churches, and are considering becoming a member, we invite you to contact Pastor Jason for info.

**JUNIOR CHURCH BY ZOOM VIDEO CHAT – SUNDAYS AT 9 AM for 3 year old-4<sup>th</sup> grade kids.** *Feel free to invite friends!* We send families the Zoom link and other resources—contact the office if interested. *Join us again on Jan. 2 on Zoom for our first session after Christmas.* **We would like to resume in-person Junior Church** during the 10:30AM worship service beginning mid-January 2022. **Please contact Julie Hassara or Carol Kennedy if you can help as a teacher or aide** or if you have any questions. **PARENTS: We would also like to hear feedback about whether you would have your children participate in Junior Church in person.**

**YOUTH GROUP, SUNDAYS, 5-7 PM** at Faith UMC. 5<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders are invited. *No Youth Group on Dec 26 or Jan 2.* Youth go to Gretna Glen Camp on **Jan. 16, Feb 20 and March 20 from 2:30-6pm.**

**CHATTING CLUB: MONDAYS AT 7 PM BY ZOOM – We will NOT meet again until Jan. 3.**  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86190453518?pwd=cEVDeDljeThaaWVIYjlQWmZjTm5oUT09>

**BIBLE STUDY led by Mike Shifflet on Wednesdays at 6:30 PM at Oregon Community UMC.** All are invited! *The group will meet again on January 5.* Enjoy the holidays.

**IMPACT! MISSIONS** restore homes to be sold to low-income families & does repairs for homeowners in need. To volunteer on **1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays** contact **Leon Bame** at 717-344-9924 / [leonshel37@gmail.com](mailto:leonshel37@gmail.com).

**CHRISTMAS EVE OFFERING:** As has been our tradition, we will be donating our entire Christmas Eve offering to the **UDOBO PRE-SCHOOL** in Durban, South Africa to benefit the children in honor of the birth of Christ. God has been so good to us and we can afford to be generous to the littlest and least in the world. This is a chance to give these children the best start in life so that they can grow to be Godly, healthy and productive members of their community. Visit <http://UdoboSchool.com/> for more information. Your gift will help provide food, educational supplies and teaching staff. **All gifts in the special Christmas envelopes or marked for Udobo in memo will go to the Udobo School.** *If would still like to donate, please clearly mark your gift and put it in the offering plate or submit it online or to the church office. Make out checks to “Faith UMC.”*

**OFFERING TITHES & GIFTS TO THE LORD:** You can direct gifts to **General Ministry, Debt Reduction/Building Fund, & Benevolence.** Mark your preference in the memo. **You can mail a check or donate digitally** through the website. *Thank you for your generous gifts this year that have enabled us to have a balanced budget between expenses and gifts for 2021—and enabled us to begin 2022 strongly.*

**SCHEDULE CHANGE:** Please note that there will be no regular office hours December 25th through January 1st. Pastor Jason and Carol will be in the office as their schedules permit. Messages left on the office phone, 717-560-0321, will be checked periodically. In case of an emergency contact Pastor Jason at 717-333-9238.

**SECRET SISTER 2022:** Questionnaires are available in the hall. If you would like to be part of this group for 2022, please return the form by Jan 9th. The 2021 Reveal will take place Jan15, 2022 at 9:00 am.

**AMAZON SMILE:** When shopping, if you select *Manheim Township: Faith United Methodist* as your charitable organization, **Amazon will donate a percentage of your purchase to Faith.**

**SPECIAL NEEDS:** For help, contact Pastor Jason. You can also dial **2-1-1** or visit [www.211.org](http://www.211.org) to reach the **United Way Call Center** for social services. The **Crisis Intervention Lifeline is (717) 394-2631**

**SERVANT SATURDAY ON JAN 1:** On the Saturday before Communion Sunday each month, we are asking everyone to show God’s love to the world through your time, talents and treasures.

**DOWNTOWN MINISTRY:** At 2pm on Servant Saturdays, we provide meals & personal items for people who are homeless. To help, call Diana at 717-435-8577. We need people to cook, prepare donations, deliver food, etc. **WISH LIST:** Summer's Eve wipes, small bottles of hand sanitizer, and Chapstick. **WISH LIST:** [https://smile.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/dl/invite/5zDLQnj?ref\\_=wl\\_share](https://smile.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/dl/invite/5zDLQnj?ref_=wl_share)

**APARTMENTS NEEDED:** 1-bedroom apartment needed for a non-smoker with no pets at about \$800/month. Location is flexible. Please call Dennis Meck at 717-413-1504 and leave a message. There is also a need for a 2-bedroom apartment for another family of 3. Please contact Pastor Jason with any ideas.

### ONGOING EVENTS:

<b>Sundays</b>	Junior Church <i>via Zoom</i> (for ages 3 years through 4th grade), <b>9:00 AM</b> Worship, 10:30 AM in the Sanctuary, Facebook Live & FM 89.9 Youth Group at Faith, 5-7 PM ( <i>Gretna Glen on January 16, 2:30-6PM</i> )
<b>1st Sundays</b>	Communion is offered during worship service, 10:30AM
<b>Mondays</b>	Chatting Club <i>via Zoom</i> , 7:00 PM ( <i>Restart on Jan. 3 after holidays</i> )
<b>Wednesdays</b>	Bible2School, 11 AM-1 PM for students from Reidenbaugh in Fellowship Hall Worship Team Practice, 6:30PM Bible Study at Oregon Community UMC, 6:30-7:30 PM ( <i>No meeting Dec 29</i> ) Wing and a Prayer AA Meeting in the Fellowship Hall, 10:00 AM
<b>Thursdays</b>	Bible Study in the Fellowship Hall, 10:00 AM ( <i>No meeting on Dec 31</i> )
<b>Fridays</b>	Faith UMC works with IMPACT! Missions – Contact Leon Bame to help.
<b>1<sup>st</sup> &amp; 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays</b>	Servant Saturday & Downtown Food Ministry, 2PM (Sat. before Communion)
<b>1<sup>st</sup> (or Last) Saturdays</b>	

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

<b>Saturday, Jan 1</b>	<b>Servant Saturday</b> /Deliver food & personal items to unhoused folks downtown, 2 PM
<b>Wednesday, Jan 5</b>	Ladies’ Lunch at Oregon Dairy, 11:30AM
<b>Monday Jan 10</b>	Faith UMC serves Bag and Go Lunch at Zion Lutheran Church, 11:30 AM
<b>Saturday, Jan 15</b>	<b>Secret Sister Reveal, 9:00 AM</b>
<b>Thursday, Jan 20</b>	Senior Men’s Lunch, 11:30AM Location TBD

### **Our worship participants for next Sunday, January 2 are:**

**WORSHIP & MUSIC MINISTRY:** Dolly Bankert and the Worship Choir

**AUDIO/VISUAL TECH:** Dennis Meck, Sr.

**GREETER/USHERS:** Leon Bame & Allen Kennedy

**LITURGIST:** Lisa Baker

**CHILDREN’S TIME:** Amy Boughter