

## PRAYER REQUESTS:

### OUR CONCERNS:

Wisdom & safety for government officials globally  
President Joe Biden and VP Kamala Harris  
Veterans and Service Members  
Civilians, leaders, and soldiers in war torn regions  
For peace & wisdom in areas of conflict  
Police officers and their families  
Folks harmed in interactions with police  
All first responders & 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 the environment  
Eradication of deadly diseases—incl. COVID-19  
Refugees & huddled masses yearning to be free  
Security and immigration reform  
People who are hungry and unhoused  
Prisoners, Prison Leadership & Judges  
Cash Bail and Prison Reform  
Schools, education and foster care reform  
Members of AA, NA, & AlAnon and their families  
All struggling with addictions, finances, etc.  
Those suffering from mental health illnesses  
All those caring for sick loved ones  
Those grieving the loss of loved ones  
Bishop Schol & EPAUMC Staff  
Rev. Jenny Freymoyer - District Superintendent  
The UMC and General Conference Delegates as we  
seek God's will regarding human sexuality &  
our mission to make disciples of Jesus  
Rev. Dorcas, her eyes & ministries in Sierra Leone  
Udobo School in Durban, South Africa  
Campus Ministries  
Charlotte Garfield  
Dottie Sheaffer – healing for back & eyes  
Eileen Williams – muscles  
Bradley McGowan – ALS  
Linda Philbin – motor neuropathy  
Rosemary (Marilyn Jones' sister) – healing  
Michelle Rathvon Mitterer – healing from strokes  
Chuck Flory – ALS  
Alan Price – Buni's father's health  
Ray – recovering from strokes  
Annette McClarigan – health, sons & family  
Dennis Pounds (Brooke's Uncle) - healing

Those with cancer: Cyndi Campbell, Dean Grove,  
Mark Reitzel, Kerry Link and her father-in-law,  
Joe, John Rathvon, Duane Lehman, Lori, Barb  
Royer, Linda Mutzel, John Serio, Ruthie, Martin  
Campbell and others  
Angela, Maria and Becky – to be healthy & thrive  
Izabel, Oaklee, Carson, Matthew & their parents  
Gene Onest – health issues  
Terry Kofroth –recovering from surgery  
Daryl Hawthorne - recovering from surgery  
Kuzmenko family – health, settling extended family  
into USA from Ukraine, etc.  
Ukrainian people and their nation  
Don Campbell – health  
Bernice Wilkison – health  
Margie Urban – health  
Noah Boughter – Expecting a daughter  
Bryan Nelson  
Ron & Linda Lunn – health  
Heather Lindsey  
Mike Loechner – concussion  
Bob Perkowski – healing after Rotator Cuff surgery  
Theo Wenger – healing for kidneys  
Jake Ruhl – hip pain  
Gun violence and wise reforms  
The Perkowski family on the loss of foster daughter  
Sandy Patschke – healing after eye surgery  
Alex & Erin Drolet as they settle into new life in VA  
Jo Ann Steinmetz – healing  
Megan and Josh—Jackie Black's grandkids  
Pamela Hummel – healing from fall  
Emile & Andrew Muth – healthy pregnancy  
Julie Didyoung - healing after neck surgery  
Margo – healing from surgery  
Samantha – crippling anxiety  
Family and friends of Bill Burrey on his passing  
Shirley Gehr – healing after a fall  
Diana Valentine – healing after hand surgery  
Bible2School Program for 2<sup>nd</sup> -4<sup>th</sup> graders  
Andi Noll – hit by car while on her bicycle

### OUR PRAISES:

God's presence through illness, struggle & loss  
Babies born into our extended church family  
Ian Solodky and Shannon Weaver as new pastors

*Please submit prayer requests (& updates) by note  
or email to the office: [faithumc@hotmail.com](mailto:faithumc@hotmail.com)*

# Debts are Tossed

HAVING WORDS WITH JESUS  
WORSHIP SERIES



*Welcome*

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# Faith United Methodist Church



September 18, 2022 at 10:30 AM – 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

**W**ELCOMES: We come together to worship the loving God who has chosen to be revealed as the Father Creator, the Son who lived among us, and the Holy Spirit who ministers powerfully within us. You are welcome in this sacred space no matter who you are; from where you have come; what experiences, struggles or gifts you bring; or the questions, doubts & beliefs you carry. We are so glad you are here – and pray you find what you came looking for!

**THANKS FOR COMING:** *If you are joining us for the first time, please sign the guest book in the hallway. There are also red pads in each row for everyone to sign in during the service. We would love to stay in touch with you. If you're worshipping online, please 'sign in' by commenting on the video.*

**GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS** Michelle Bame & Pastor Jason

**A TIME FOR CENTERING & PRAYER**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** Pastor Jason & God's People

Come, let us worship the one who calls us here.

**We gather to worship with joy and in hope.**

Come, let us worship the one who desires our hearts.

**We bring our whole selves in worship to our God.**

Come, let us set aside all that distracts us from true worship.

**We come as we are and ask the Spirit to gather us in and direct our vision.**

Come, let us worship the one who calls us here.

**We are here to worship with all that we are.**

*Derek C. Weber, February 2022*

**\*HYMN** *Indescribable* **MSFPW3 #127**

**SCRIPTURE LESSON** **1 Timothy 2:1-7** **Shannon Edwards**  
*This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!*

**CHILDREN'S TIME** **Terry Kofroth**

**\*HYMN** *Near to the Heart of God* **UMH #472**

**SCRIPTURE LESSON** **Psalms 79:1-9** **Shannon Edwards**  
*This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!*

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

**\*Doxology** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* **UMH #95**

**\*Offertory Prayer**

**\*HYMN** *Precious Lord, Take My Hand* **UMH #474**

**SCRIPTURE LESSON** **Jeremiah 8:18-9:1** **Shannon Edwards**  
*This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!*

**THE PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE  
& THE LORD'S PRAYER**

*If worshipping online, you may post your prayer requests*

**UMH #895**

**\*HYMN** *I Surrender All* **UMH #354**

**SCRIPTURE LESSON** **Luke 16:1-13** **Shannon Edwards**  
*This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!*

**SERMON** *Debts Are Tossed* **Pastor Jason**

**\*HYMN** *Take My Life and Let It Be* **UMH #399**

**BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH**

**\* You are invited to stand**

**Director of Worship:** Shannon Edwards **AV Tech:** Dennis Meck, Sr.

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

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

**OFFICE COMMUNICATION:** Hours vary. Contact us directly for availability. Messages left on the office phone, 717-560-0321 or email: [faithumc@hotmail.com](mailto:faithumc@hotmail.com), will be checked on weekdays. Contact Pastor Jason at 717-333-9238 or [jperkowski@gmail.com](mailto:jperkowski@gmail.com) and leave a *detailed message*. He is spending time with family from Friday at Noon thru Saturday and may not respond to non-emergencies then.

**PRAYER REQUEST CARDS:** Prayer request cards are at the entrance to the sanctuary and in each of the red attendance pads. Please fill out a card and place it on the altar prior to the service or during a hymn.

**FREE LENDING LIBRARY** of books, puzzles, & DVDs for all ages to borrow is in the 2<sup>nd</sup> classroom in the Education Wing. There is no sign-in/out procedure. See Buni or Marilyn for info. Donations welcome.

**CHRISTMAS CANTATA:** This will be a joint effort between Long Memorial, Faith, and OCUMC. Practices are at 7:45 to 8:45 PM every Wednesday beginning September 21, alternating between Long Memorial & Faith UMCs. Contact Shannon Edwards, Worship Director, for more info. **All singers are welcome to join us** as we prepare a musical worship service for Sunday, December 18 to be performed at Faith and Long Memorial UMCs. Note: Regular Worship Team practice will move to 6:00 PM beginning September 21.

**CONFIRMATION CLASS** begins in October 2022 for students who are in 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade. Please let Pastor Jason know at (717) 333-9238 if you are interested in participating as a student or mentor. We will have bi-weekly classes, retreats, field trips, etc. led by Pastor Andrea from Long Memorial and Pastor Jason. *Tentative schedule is every other Monday from 7:30 to 8:30 PM beginning Oct 3<sup>rd</sup>.*

**WEST DISTRICT CELEBRATION DAY AT GRETNA GLEN TODAY: 2-3 PM is Worship & Installation of District Superintendent Jenny Freymoyer. 3-5 PM is Fellowship Time** with Pork BBQ (w/Veggie options), Boating, Archery, Lawn Games, Hiking, Basketball, Gaga, Swing-zebo. **All individuals and families are invited** to come and celebrate as we welcome Rev. Jenny as DS. Bishop Schol & Cabinet will officiate the Installation.

**SHOWING OF NOAH by Sight and Sound at Coleman Memorial Chapel (Brickerville) on Saturday, Oct 8 at 6pm.** They will show this outside in the pavilion unless the weather requires the event to be held indoors. Bring a lawn chair and a blanket. There will be a free will offering. Hope you all can attend.

**JUNIOR CHURCH** for children age 3 years (who are potty-trained) through 4th grade resumes in person during worship on Sept. 18. We are using *Deep Blue One Room Sunday School* curriculum. Children will be given the opportunity to bring an offering at the beginning of Junior Church that they can place in a “piggy bank.” There is also a children’s choir rehearsal during that time. **Parents please sign your child in before the Worship Service. Each child and parent will be assigned a badge with a matching number.** Children will begin the service in the sanctuary and be dismissed to Junior Church after the Children’s Time Message. **Parents are asked to sign children out at a station directly outside the classroom in the Education Wing**—and are asked to wait outside the class until their child is brought to them.

**YOUTH GROUP, SUNDAYS, 5-7 PM at Faith UMC.** 5th-12th graders are invited. Sign up in the hall or by contacting Pastor Jason to be the 2nd adult and/or to provide a meal. Bring friends to join in the fun. Each week there are dinner, games and a lesson. **Youth will go to Greta Glen Camp from 1:00 -5:30 PM today. Church van will leave from Faith UMC.** We go to camp for Youth Group Night on the 3rd Sunday of most every month except summer. For more info and to RSVP, contact Pastor Jason (717-333-9238). *RSVP each week so we can plan activities based on number of students attending.* Permission slips are required for all off campus events & are available in the Church Lobby and in youth section of website.

**\*NEW\* GRIEF GROUP:** Pastor Jason and Tina Miller will be starting a new Grief Share Group to help people process the loss of loved ones and to find support from peers. There are materials that we will work through together in addition to mutual support. To learn more or sign up, please contact Pastor Jason ASAP. **This group will be meeting every other Monday from 5:00 to 6:00 PM beginning September 26<sup>th</sup> in Fellowship Hall at Faith.**

**CHATTING CLUB: MONDAYS AT 7 PM BY ZOOM** Everyone is invited to join us. at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86190453518?pwd=cEVDeDljeThaaWVIYjlQWmZjTm5oUT09>

**BIBLE STUDY on WEDNESDAYS at 6:30 PM** with Mike Shifflet at Oregon Community UMC.

**MORNING BIBLE STUDY – FRIDAYS AT 10AM:** Each week we explore a small group study based on the scriptures for this week’s sermon. You can prepare at: <https://www.umcdiscipleship.org/worship-planning>. Join us **in person** in the Faith UMC Fellowship Hall or by Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83172825482?pwd=VzBkd2p0ci9KZ1BqMUZqN1NOamh4dz09>

**WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY ON OCTOBER 2, 2022,** is an ecumenical celebration by people of many denominations in an effort to promote unity among Christians around the world. Offerings collected in United Methodist churches on World Communion Sunday are used to fund scholarships for young scholars and seminarians. You may donate in the special envelope provided in the bulletin, online, or with a check made payable to Faith UMC with “World Communion Sunday” in the memo.

**POWER Interfaith Lancaster County** is part of a statewide group of people of faith working on making our commonwealth more just. They are working on fair funding for public schools, prison and bail reform, positive interactions between police & communities, a healthier environment & climate, economic justice, etc. **We would like to see our church officially engage in this work with POWER Interfaith as well as considering starting a Church and Society Team.** Pastor Jason invites anyone interested in learning more to contact him.

**OFFERING TITHES TO THE LORD:** You can direct gifts to **General Ministry, Debt Reduction / Building Fund,** etc. Mark preferences in the memo. You can mail a check, donate through the website, or give in the plate.

**DISAFFILIATION UPDATE:** Church Council met on Sept. 8 and tallied the ballots from Professing Members about officially exploring disaffiliation from the UMC. Church Council voted unanimously to not explore disaffiliation based on the will of the members. We are grateful for an open process that prayerfully and earnestly listened to members. We respect that while persons have deeply held personal convictions on which we may not always agree, we can live together humbly and gently. There may still be questions and changes may happen in future United Methodist Church General Conferences. If you have any concerns, please contact Becky Mowrey, SPRC Chair or Michelle Bame, Lay Leader or Pastor Jason.

**SOUP SALE:** Fall is upon us and that means it’s time for SOUP! Let Faith UMC help you with stocking up on some delicious soup for the fall season. We will be offering quarts of Oregon Dairy Soups for pick up on Saturday, October 8th at Faith UMC from 11aa-1pm. Orders and money due TODAY. Choose from Chicken Corn Noodle, Tomato Bisque and Creamy Potato Soup. \$10/quart. There are order forms in the church hallway or orders can be placed by calling Faith UMC at 717-560-0321, by emailing [faithumc@hotmail.com](mailto:faithumc@hotmail.com) or by visiting us online at [faithumc.us](http://faithumc.us). and placing your order under “Online Donation.”

**YARD SALE:** Faith UMC will be offering yard sale sites for our yard sale scheduled for Saturday October 22nd from 7:00 AM. to 1:00 PM. Sites are 20 feet by 20 feet and are \$20 per space. Reserve your space by October 21st. Payment due at time of set up. There will be no rain date. You need to bring your own table and/or pop-up tent if you desire one. For any questions or to reserve your spot please call us at 717-560-0321.

**ATTENTION COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS:** Trustees, Finance, Lay Leaders, SPRC, Nominations, and Church Council all have forms to complete for Charge Conference. All forms due now. **Our Charge Conference is scheduled for Saturday, October 8, 2022 at 9:00AM at Lititz, UMC. Please make every effort to attend.**

**IN NEED OF 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 or dial 9-8-8.**

#### **ONGOING EVENTS:**

<b>Sundays</b>	Worship, 10:30 AM in the Sanctuary and Facebook Live Junior Church during worship Youth Group at Faith, 5-7 PM
<b>1st Sundays</b>	Communion is offered during worship service, 10:30AM
<b>Mondays</b>	Chatting Club via Zoom, 7:00 PM
<b>Tuesdays</b>	<b>Bible2School, 9:45 to 11:45 AM for students from Reidenbaugh in Fellowship Hall</b>
<b>Wednesdays</b>	<b>Bible2School, 11:15 AM-1:15 PM for Reidenbaugh students in Fellowship Hall</b> Worship Team Practice, 6:00 PM Cantata Rehearsal, 7:45 to 8:45 PM alternating between Long Memorial & Faith UMCs Bible Study at Oregon Community UMC, 6:30-7:30 PM Wing and a Prayer AA Meeting in the Fellowship Hall, 10:00 AM
<b>Thursdays</b>	Bible Study led by Pastor Jason, 10:00 AM (via Zoom or in person)
<b>Fridays</b>	Faith UMC works with IMPACT! Missions – Contact Leon Bame to help.
<b>1st &amp; 3rd Saturdays</b>	Servant Saturday & Downtown Food Ministry, 2PM (Sat. before Communion)
<b>1st (or Last) Saturdays</b>	

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

<b>Sunday, Sept 18</b>	<b>West District Celebration Day at Greta Glen, 2:00 to 5:00 PM</b>
<b>Monday Sept 26</b>	<b>New Grief Group begins, 5:00 to 6:00 PM</b>
<b>Saturday, Oct 1</b>	Servant Saturday/Deliver food & personal items to unhoused folks downtown, 2 PM
<b>Wednesday, Oct 5</b>	Ladies’ Lunch at Oregon Dairy, 11:30 AM – RSVP to Sandy Patschke
<b>Saturday, Oct 8</b>	<b>Faith UMC Charge Conference at Lititz UMC, 9:00 AM</b>
<b>Saturday, Oct 8</b>	<b>Soup Sale Pickup, 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM (prep Oct 6, 5pm – volunteers needed)</b>
<b>Monday, Oct 10</b>	Faith UMC provides Bag-n-Go Lunch at Zion Lutheran Church, 11:00 AM (Prep at 9:30 AM) – volunteers needed

#### **WORSHIP LEADERS for next Sunday, September 25 are:**

**WORSHIP MUSIC:** Shannon Edwards, Worship Director and the Faith Singers  
**AUDIO/VISUAL TECH:** Dennis Meck, Sr.  
**GREETER/USHERS:** John & Pricilla Rice  
**LITURGIST:** Drew Hassara  
**CHILDREN’S TIME:** volunteer needed  
**JUNIOR CHURCH:** Julie Hassara & Carol Kennedy  
**YOUTH GROUP (5 pm):** Pastor Jason & volunteer needed