

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
Stewardship of our environment & climate
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, DS Freymoyer & EPAUMC Staff
The UMC and General Conference Delegates as we
elect new Bishops, seek God's will regarding
human sexuality & 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 – bronchitis & motor neuropathy
Rosemary (Marilyn Jones' sister) – healing
Michelle Rathvon Mitterer – healing from strokes
Chuck Flory – ALS
Alan Price – Buni's father's health
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 – healing
Daryl Hawthorne – healing and upcoming surgery
Kuzmenko family – health and transitions
Ukrainian people and their nation
Don Campbell – health
Bernice Wilkison – health
Margie Urban – health
Noah Boughter – Expecting a daughter
Bryan Nelson
Heather Lindsey
Mike Loechner – concussion
Theo Wenger – healing for kidneys
Jake Ruhl – hip pain
Jo Ann Steinmetz – healing
Megan and Josh—Jackie Black's grandkids
Emile & Andrew Muth – healthy pregnancy
Shirley Gehr – healing after a fall
Roberta Stone – healing after a fall
Donald Stone – healing
Nicole Wise
Denise Herr (Steph Edward's mom) - healing
Victoria Fritsch – upcoming surgery
Carl Jones – strength back after illness
Family of Russ Gehman on his passing
Family of Don Moats Sr on his passing
Family of John Warren (TJ's uncle)
Holly Lee – healing
Ron Lund – healing from severe toothache

OUR PRAISES:

Bible2School Program for 2nd-4th graders
God's presence through illness, struggle & loss
Babies born into our extended church family
Pastoral Ministry of Ian Solodky & Shannon Weaver

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



Welcome

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Faith United Methodist Church



October 23, 2022 at 10:30 AM – 20th Sunday after Pentecost

WELCOME: 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!

If this is your first time with us, please sign the guest book in the hallway. There are red pads in each row for everyone to sign in. 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

We worship because the Lord stood by us on difficult days. **Even when we weren't aware and felt alone.**

We worship because the Lord gives strength. **Even when we feel so weak.**

We worship because we have been rescued again and again. **Even when we are afraid that we have lost.**

Come and worship the God who stands with us in our darkest days and promises to be with us to the end.

We will worship in hope, seeking eyes to see and hearts to believe in God with us.

Derek Weber, Discipleship Ministries, March 2022

*HYMN

I Sing the Almighty Power of God

UMH #152 (Tune #278)

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalm 65

Daryl Hawthorne

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

CHILDREN'S TIME

Pastor Jason

*HYMN

For the Beauty of the Earth

UMH #92 v. 1, 2, 5, 6

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 18:9-14

Daryl Hawthorne

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

*HYMN

Just as I Am, Without One Plea

UMH #357 v. 1, 2, 3, 5

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

*Doxology

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

UMH #95

*Offertory Prayer

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Joel 2:23-32

Daryl Hawthorne

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

SCRIPTURE LESSON

2 Timothy 4:6-8

Daryl Hawthorne

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

*HYMN

Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart

UMH #500 v. 1, 3, 4

SERMON

Itching Ears

Pastor Jason

*HYMN

Lead On, O King Eternal

UMH #580

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 the Office via 717-560-0321 or faithumc@hotmail.com, (messages checked weekdays). Contact Pastor Jason via 717-333-9238 or jbperkowski@gmail.com. He is 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.

CHRISTMAS CANTATA: This is a joint effort between Long Memorial, Faith, and OCUMC. Practices are at 7:45PM every Wednesday. Contact Shannon Edwards, Worship Director, for more info. **Singers are welcome to join us** as we prepare a musical worship service for Sunday, December 18 to be performed at Faith (9AM) and Long Memorial UMCs (11AM). **Note: Regular Worship Team practice is Wednesdays at Faith at 6:30 PM.**

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL at 9:00 AM: Everyone is welcome to join this Bible Study led by Michelle Bame on Sunday mornings beginning November 6th. *We will meet in the first classroom in the Education Wing.*

JUNIOR CHURCH for children age 3 years through 4th grade **during the 10:30AM Worship Service. 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. **After worship, parents must sign children out at their classroom in the Education Wing.**

YOUTH GROUP, SUNDAYS, 5-7 PM at Faith UMC for 5th-12th graders. Sign up in the hall to be the 2nd adult and/or to provide a meal. **Volunteer needed TODAY.** Each week there are dinner, games and a lesson. **Youth will go to Gretna Glen Camp from 3:30-7:00 PM on the 3rd Sunday of each month. Church van will leave from / return to Faith UMC.** For more info contact Pastor Jason (717-333-9238).

CONFIRMATION CLASS will meet at Faith UMC from 7:30-9:00 PM every other Monday for students in 6th-12th grade. Please let Pastor Jason know by October 31 at (717) 333-9238 if you are interested in participating as a student or mentor. We will have classes, retreats, field trips, etc. led by Pastor Andrea from Long Memorial and Pastor Jason. (Next meetings: Nov 7 & Nov 21—*no meeting on Oct 31*)

GRIEF SHARE GROUP: Pastor Jason and Tina Miller have started 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 is meeting every other Monday from 5:00 to 6:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall at Faith UMC (Oct. 24, Nov. 7 & 21).**

CHATting VIA ZOOM MONDAYS AT 6:30 PM (NOTE NEW TIME) Everyone is invited to join us. at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86190453518?pwd=cEVDeDljeThaaWVlYjIjQWmZjTm5oUT09>

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=VzBkd2p0ci9KZlBqMUZqN1NOamh4dz09>

NEW MEMBERSHIP CLASS ON OCT 30, NOV 6 & 20 AFTER CHURCH: 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.

BIBLE2SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS: If you are interested in working with Pastor Jason and other volunteers to teach the Bible2School students from Reidenbaugh Elementary School please let Pastor know. We are hosting this religious education program for 2nd and 3rd grade students every Tuesday and Wednesday morning. Over 45 students are attending each week. **We need additional small group leaders as the program grows.**

TRUNK OR TREAT: You are invited to our Trunk or Treat event on **Saturday, October 29th from 5:00 – 8:00 PM!** We will have decorated car trunks with candy at each one, pumpkin decorating and games, as well as free hot dogs and drinks including hot and cold cider! Don't miss out on this fun, free community event. If you have questions or **want to volunteer, please contact Lisa Baker** at 717-615-6707 or lisa.baker2294@gmail.com.

ALL SAINTS DAY: On October 30, we would like to honor all of our loved ones that have passed away since last year. **VETERANS DAY: On November 13** we would like to honor all of our church members and their family who have served in the armed services. **Please email/drop off a photo of your loved ones to the church no later than the Monday before each service** (Oct 24 / Nov 7). Include their full name, date of birth/death, and for veterans their military branch and rank. We will display a slideshow honoring them as part of the service. *If you sent us photos for service members last year, we have those on file--just let us know if you want them to be included.*

POWER INTERFAITH LANCASTER COUNTY is working on justice issues in our community—including fair funding for public schools, prison and bail reform, positive police & community interactions, a healthier environment, economic justice, etc. **Pastor Jason has been working with POWER Interfaith for over 6 years and would like to see our church officially engage in this work as well as considering starting a local UMC Church and Society Team.** Contact Pastor Jason to learn more or visit <https://powerinterfaith.org>

FREEDOM EXPRESS: LANCASTER DAY OF ACTION on NOV. 3: POWER Interfaith has been on a statewide bus tour since Oct. 17 promoting the values of faith and democracy; a shared common good for all people no matter their race, religion, culture, or status; voter participation for everyone; etc. **Pastor Jason is riding the bus Oct. 31-Nov. 4. The tour will stop in Lancaster on Nov. 3.** You are invited to join Pastor Jason, other clergy & laity when we arrive. **9AM Lancaster County Government Building / Binn's Park** to highlight voting rights. **11AM-1PM Lunch & Learn with Dr. Greg Carey at Ebenezer Baptist Church,** 710 N. Lime St. to discuss the dangers of Christian Nationalism as opposed to orthodox Christianity as we reclaim the narrative of religion and democracy. **2-5PM Get Out the Vote Canvassing** to encourage everyone to take the time to vote and to vote their conscience. **6:45PM March to Penn Square from Congregation Shaarai Shomayim,** N. Duke and James St. **7PM: Music For Everyone Community Chorus Concert and Interfaith Prayer Vigil at Penn Square. To Register for these events visit: <http://tinyurl.com/freedomexpresslancaster>**

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

PRAYER SHAWLS AVAILABLE: Perhaps you or someone you know would appreciate the comfort of a prayer shawl or quilt. **Please help yourself to a prayer shawl** from the rack in the hall and sign the attached sheet. **You are invited to knit or crochet prayer shawls or to donate yarn for this ministry.** Each month we deliver prayer shawls and lap quilts to nursing homes, hospice centers, hospitals, etc. Thank you for your support!

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.

OREGON COMMUNITY HOLIDAY CRAFT BAZAAR on Saturday, Nov. 5 at Faith UMC: Contact Joetta Henry at 717-371-0112 to reserve a space for the event. \$15 per space. Buni and Jim Harbison are going to be manning a table to sell crafts for Faith UMC at this event. If you would like to help take a turn contact them.

IN NEED OF HELP: Contact Pastor Jason, dial **2-1-1** or visit 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:

Sundays

Adult Sunday School, 9:00 AM resumes Nov 6th

Worship, 10:30 AM in the Sanctuary and Facebook Live

Junior Church during worship

Youth Group at Faith, 5-7 PM

1st Sundays

Communion is offered during worship service, 10:30AM

Mondays

Grief Share Group - Every other Monday from 5:00-6:00 PM at Faith UMC

Chatting Club via Zoom, 6:30 PM **← NOTE NEW TIME**

Confirmation Class - Every other Monday from 7:30-9:00 PM at Faith UMC

Bible2School, 9:45 to 11:30 AM for Reidenbaugh students in Fellowship Hall

Bible2School, 11:20 AM-1:20 PM for Reidenbaugh students in Fellowship Hall

Worship Team Practice, 6:30 PM

Cantata Rehearsal, 7:45-8:45 PM alternating between Long Memorial & Faith UMC

Bible Study at Oregon Community UMC, 6:30-7:30 PM

Wing and a Prayer AA Meeting in the Fellowship Hall, 10:00 AM

Bible Study led by Pastor Jason, 10:00 AM (via Zoom or in person)

Tuesdays

Faith UMC works with IMPACT! Missions – Contact Leon Bame to help.

Wednesdays

Servant Saturday & Downtown Food Ministry, 2PM (Sat. before Communion)

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Monday, Oct 24

Grief Share Group - Every other Monday from, 5:00 to 6:00 PM at Faith UMC

Deadline to submit names/pictures for All Saints Day

Saturday, Oct 29

Trunk-or-Treat, 5:00 -8:00 pm – volunteers needed

Sunday, Oct 30

New Membership Class after church in Adult SS Room

Monday, Nov 2

Ladies' Lunch at Oregon Dairy – RSVP to Sandy Patschke

Saturday, Nov 5

Oregon Community Holiday Craft Bazaar – *contact Joetta (717) 371-0112*

Sunday, Nov 6

New Membership Class after church in Adult SS Room

Monday, Nov 7

Deadline to submit names/pictures to honor veterans

Monday, Nov 7

Grief Share Group, 5:00 to 6:00 PM

Monday, Nov 7

Confirmation Class - Every other Monday from 7:30-9:00 PM at Faith UMC

Thursday, Nov 10

Church Council/Finance meeting, 6:00 PM

Saturday, Nov 12

Prep for Spaghetti Dinner, 8:00 AM

Sunday, Nov 13

Spaghetti Dinner, 5:00 – 7:00 PM

Sunday, Nov 20

New Membership Class after church in Adult SS Room

Wednesday, Nov 23

Joint Thanksgiving Eve Service at Oregon Community UMC, 7:00 PM

WORSHIP LEADERS for next Sunday, October 30 are:

WORSHIP MUSIC: Shannon Edwards, Worship Director and the Faith Singers

AUDIO/VISUAL TECH: Dennis Meck, Sr.

GREETERS: Tim & Sandy Patschke

USHERS: Tim Patschke & Allen Kennedy

LITURGIST: Tim Patschke

CHILDREN'S TIME: **volunteer needed**

JUNIOR CHURCH: Carol Kennedy & **volunteer needed**

YOUTH GROUP (5 pm): Pastor Jason & Sara Solodky