

## 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, esp. Syria &  
Turkey  
Stewardship of our environment & climate  
Eradication of deadly diseases  
Refugees & huddled masses yearning to be free  
Security and immigration reform  
People who are hungry and unhoused  
Prisoners, Prison Leadership & Judges  
Education Funding, 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  
Laity and Clergy of the UMC  
The UMC, Conference Delegates and Bishops as  
we find our way forward in the Holy Spirit  
Rev. Dorcas, her eyes & ministries in Sierra Leone  
Udobo School in Durban, South Africa  
Campus Ministries  
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  
Annette McClarigan – health, sons & family  
Jean Neideigh – healing (MS)  
Gene Onest – health issues

Don Campbell – health  
Terry Kofroth – healing  
Angela, Maria and Becky – to be healthy & thrive  
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, Sophia Serio, Ruthie,  
Martin Campbell, Ben Neideigh, Harmony  
Chiccarine, Grandma Edwards, Nat, etc.

Sarah Kuzmenko – Migraines  
Ukrainian people and their nation  
Margie Urban – health  
Noah Boughter, Sophia and family  
Heather Lindsey  
Theo Wenger – healing for kidneys  
Jake Ruhl – hip pain  
Jo Ann Steinmetz – healing  
Shirley Gehr – healing  
The Jackson Family  
Robert T. Perkowski – healing  
Robyn Meckley – healing  
Jim Harbison – chronic pain and recovery  
Veronica Eckman – housing  
Children – to know they are not alone in struggles  
Darius  
Alan Price – Buni's father's  
Jeff Johns & family – healing for mom  
Linda Weber - healing  
Bobbi Ann Stone – healing  
Tiffany & those caring for her  
Evelyn (Janet Charles' aunt) – healing & Carl, her  
son who cares for her  
Terry & Margie Urban & family – housing problems  
Downtown Ministry to continue in a new form  
Diana Valentine – Parkinson's  
Michael Herr (Steph Edward's dad) – medical tests  
Craig Muir – healing after surgery  
Ron Lunn – healing  
Marilyn Onest – healing from surgery

### OUR PRAISES:

God's presence through illness, struggle & loss  
Grace and forgiveness from God  
Good friends that offer prayers  
Tommy Lenz- home from the NICU  
*Please submit prayer requests (& updates) by note or  
email to the office: [faithumc@hotmail.com](mailto:faithumc@hotmail.com)*



## Welcome

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**W**ELCOME: We come together to worship the triune God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit who created, redeem and restore all things. You are welcome in this sacred space in the presence of the Holy and Loving God 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 learn and live out our Faith. We are so glad you are here!

*Please sign in using the red Pew Pads. Prayer Request Cards from the pads can be placed in the basket on the altar. If worshiping online, please 'sign in' and add prayer requests by commenting on the video.*

**GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Michelle Bame &amp; Pastor Jason

**A TIME FOR CENTERING & PRAYER**

Pastor Jason

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Pastor Jason &amp; God's People

Come, let us worship God! Come, let us worship our Creator!

God is the great Sower, scattering seeds of life and abundance across the earth.

**We are the soil the Sower plants, created to nurture and sustain the seeds of God's life-giving love.**

God is the great Gardener, tilling and cultivating our soil with love and grace.

**We notice the rocks and thorns in our soil and call on the Gardener's love and grace to transform us into good soil.**

God is the great Life-giver, sowing seeds and tending the soil to produce the fruit of abundant life.

**May we nurture and grow God's new reality, bearing the fruit of flourishing and abundance for all**

**God's creation. Amen.**

*Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, Jan 2023.*

**\*HYMN**

*Come, Ye Thankful People, Come*

UMH #694

**SCRIPTURE LESSON**

**Genesis 25:19-34**

Buni Harbison

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

**\*HYMN**

*Hymn of Promise*

UMH #707

**CHILDREN'S TIME**

Pastor Jason

**SCRIPTURE LESSON**

**Psalms 119:105-112**

Buni Harbison

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

**\*HYMN**

*The River Is Here*

MSFPW #5

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

UMH #895

**BLESSING OF THE PRAYER SHAWLS****SCRIPTURE LESSON**

**Romans 8:1-11**

Buni Harbison

*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**

*Parable by M.D. Ridge*

On Screens

**SCRIPTURE LESSON**

**Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23**

Buni Harbison

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

**SERMON**

*Seeds in the Dirt*

Pastor Jason

**BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH****\*HYMN**

*Sent Forth by God's Blessing*

UMH #664

*\* You are invited to stand*

**Worship Musicians:** Jody & Anthony Wiker   **AV Tech:** Dennis Meck, Sr. & Keagan Meck

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

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

**OFFICE COMMUNICATION:** Hours vary. Carol Kennedy, Office Admin, checks messages in the office on weekdays. Pastor Jason is with family from Noon Friday until Sunday & may not respond to non-emergencies then.

**MEMBERSHIP CLASS:** 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 to join in a new membership class.

**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL at 9:00 AM** led by Michelle Bame meets in the 1<sup>st</sup> classroom in the Education Wing.

**JUNIOR CHURCH** for children age 3 years through 4th grade *is taking a break for the summer & will resume in September.* Adults willing to be part of a teaching rotation for Junior Church in the fall should contact the office or Pastor Jason. Activity bags are hanging in the hall. Feel free to bring one into the sanctuary for use during the service and leave it in your seat when you leave so that we may replenish the supplies.

**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. Contact Pastor Jason for more info. *Students who completed 4<sup>th</sup> Grade can now attend.* **No Youth Group July 16 – Join us July 23.**

**GRIEF SHARE GROUP** to help people find support and process the loss of loved ones meets every other Monday from 5-6 PM at Faith UMC. **Next Meetings: July 17 & 31.**

**CHATTING VIA ZOOM on Mondays at 6:30 PM:** This member-led, discussion group meets online at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86190453518?pwd=cEVDeDljeThaaWVlYjJlQWmZjTm5oUT09>

**FRIDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY at 10AM in Faith UMC Fellowship Hall.**

**IN NEED OF HELP?** Contact Pastor Jason, 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.**

**THE FINANCE TEAM IS LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS** to be Treasurer (sign checks, prepare budget, monitor income & expenses, report to Finance Team) or a Tax Form Preparer. Contact the office to help.

**THE CHURCH & SOCIETY TEAM** of Faith & Oregon Community UMCs are exploring how we can engage in improving our community by standing up against injustice and the forces of wickedness. If interested in learning more, contact Pastor Jason or Renee Norman. We will be meeting on the 3<sup>rd</sup> **Thursday of every month from 5:30-6:30pm at Faith UMC, including July 20.** To learn more about **Bail Reform**, join the weekly **Wednesday Zoom Session at Noon:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82483314676?pwd=K2ZtZGQ0LzBOelVlVXQwUk5LR2VFQT09>

**OFFERINGS:** Thank you for your gifts that support our ministries. Gifts can be directed to **General Ministry and the Debt Reduction / Building Fund.** Mark preferences in the memo line & envelope. You can set up recurring gifts through your own financial institution or at <https://secure.myvanco.com/L-Z37Q/home>. There is a link at [FaithUMC.us](http://FaithUMC.us) or via the **QR Code.** You can also **mail** or **place an offering in the plate.** We are also able to receive gifts from **various sources: Required Minimum Distributions** from tax deferred **Retirement Accounts** (of those over 73 years of age), **Stocks, Bonds, Investments, Foundations, IRAs etc.**



**REVIVAL MEETING TONIGHT, JULY 16, 7PM at *The Grove*** (2766 Newport Road, Manheim, PA) hosted by Ruhl's UMC. Join with us for an evening worship service with the **sermon brought by Pastor Jason.**

**VBS AT LONG MEMORIAL: JULY 16 – 20, 5:45 – 8:00 PM** “Keepers of The Kingdom” Call 717-569-2931 or email [longmemorialumc@gmail.com](mailto:longmemorialumc@gmail.com) to register.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL AT FAITH UMC: JULY 24-28, 6-8PM: CALLING ALL KIDS AGES 4-10!!!** It's almost time for VBS and this year we're doing a *Food Truck Party* themed week! Come and join us for a fun filled week of skits, games, music, crafts, snacks. Learn how everything we have comes from God. By prayer God will meet our daily needs! *Space is limited. There are only a few spots left. Sign up now at [faithumclititz.mycokesburyvbs.com](http://faithumclititz.mycokesburyvbs.com).* Invite a friend!



**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR FOOD TRUCK PARTY VBS!** We need you to join us on our way to *Food Truck Party VBS!* There is a signup sheet in the hall or contact Carol Kennedy for opportunities to serve, lead, and most of all, COME HAVE FUN at Food Truck Party with children from our church and the community! *We are in particular need of a puppeteer and for leaders to stay with the class and guide them from one activity center to another.* **VBS WISH LIST:** Clean plastic icing containers (or similar – examples in the hall), empty 2 liter bottles, empty water bottles (8 oz), empty coffee cans.

**LUMINA's COMMUNITY DAY CAMP** is Monday July 31 to Friday August 4 from 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM. *Volunteers are needed.* Free field trip to Going Bananas on Wednesday! Volunteer at: [myvbs.org/LUMINA23](http://myvbs.org/LUMINA23)

**SUMMER CAMP: REGISTER TO ATTEND A UMC CAMP THIS SUMMER—OR VOLUNTEER AS A COUNSELOR / SUPPORT STAFF.** Visit <https://www.epaumc.org/ministry/camp-retreat> for more info or visit each camp's website. There is info in the hallway. **For financial support please contact our church office.**

**THE SENIOR MEN'S LUNCH ON JULY 20 AT 11:30 AM** will be held at Brickerville House, 2 E 28<sup>th</sup> Division Highway, Lititz, PA (at the intersection of Routes 501 & 322) RSVP to Tim Patschke by July 16 so we can give an accurate count for our reservation.

**LUMINA IS CURRENTLY SEARCHING FOR A PART TIME ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT,** to increase LUMINA's exposure and improve the flow of our ministries. They need someone who has strong communication (in English, but bilingual in Spanish would be an asset) and computer skills, comfort with maintaining their website and Facebook page, and willingness to organize and prepare ministry materials. A driver's license and Safe Sanctuary clearances are required. This is NOT a remote position. Pay would start at \$13-14/hour depending on the candidate's experience, and may increase up to \$15/hour after 90 days, depending on the candidate's performance. Schedule will include at least two 4-hour days but not more than 20 hours weekly.

**LONG MEMORIAL FREE GROCERIES** for those in need every week through their Friday Night Food Ministry at 6pm. You can drive up and receive groceries to help support you through the week. *Volunteers needed.*

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO HELP PROVIDE & SERVE REFRESHMENTS** on the first Sunday each month. There is a signup sheet in the hall. The goodies do not have to be homemade. See Diana Valentine for info.

**MEDICINE BOTTLE COLLECTION PROJECT.** We are once again sending empty prescription pill bottles to clinics in underprivileged countries that use them to provide medication. *Please remove all labels and sticky residue.* There is a collection basket under the table as you enter the Sanctuary.

**NECKTIES & T-SHIRTS NEEDED** for the crafts that we will have for sale at Breakfast with Santa next December. Place any **men's neckties** that you no longer want, in the box in the entryway. Place **T-shirts** in the box under the table in the hallway. They need to be clean with no paint, oils stains, or holes. Any questions, see Buni.

**COMMUNITY MEAL:** People in need may pick up a **Grab 'n Go Meal at Zion Lutheran Church in East Petersburg every Monday.** Several churches in the area support this ministry. **Faith UMC provides fifty Grab 'n Go Meals quarterly – contact Carol Kennedy if you are interested in helping.**

**COMMUNITY AID will donate \$.13 to Faith UMC for every pound of clothing, shoes, electronic, toys, & household goods (excluding furniture) donated** at their retail store located at 31 Rohrerstown Road, Lancaster. The donation center entrance is on Good Drive and is open Monday – Saturday 9am – 6 pm. *Our partner number is 10221.* Make sure to tell the staff to credit your donations to a Nonprofit Partner - Faith United Methodist Church. It is helpful to tape a note with our partner number to the outside of the bag or place it inside each bag.

**PRAYER SHAWLS AVAILABLE:** Perhaps you or someone you know would appreciate the comfort of a prayer shawl or quilt. **Please help yourself to one from the rack in the hall** and sign the sheet attached to the rack. **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. Thanks for your support!

**OCUMC COMMUNITY DAY & CHICKEN BBQ** on Saturday **July 22 from 7AM to 1PM** with family activities, music, Chicken BBQ and other food, and a yard sale. **Sign up to rent a spot for the yard sale.**

#### ONGOING EVENTS:

##### **Sundays**

Adult Sunday School, 9:00 AM  
Worship, 10:30 AM in the Sanctuary and Facebook Live  
Junior Church during 10:30 AM worship – *taking a break for the summer*  
Youth Group at Faith, 5-7 PM

##### **1st Sundays**

Communion is offered during worship service, 10:30AM followed by refreshments

##### **Mondays**

GriefShare Group - Every other Monday from 5:00-6:00 PM at Faith UMC  
Chatting Club via Zoom, 6:30 PM

##### **Tuesdays**

Nar-Anon meeting - Every other Tuesday from 7:00-9:00 PM at Faith UMC

##### **Wednesdays**

Worship Team Practice, 6:30 PM

##### **Thursdays**

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

##### **Fridays**

Bible Study led by Pastor Jason, 10:00 AM

##### **1st & 3rd Saturdays**

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

##### **1st Saturdays**

Servant Saturday

#### UPCOMING EVENTS:

##### **Sunday, July 16**

Revival Meeting at The Grove, sermon by Pastor Jason, 7 PM

##### **Monday, July 17**

GriefShare Group - Every other Monday from 5:00 to 6:00 PM

Chatting Club via Zoom, 6:30 PM

##### **Tuesday, July 18**

Nar-Anon meeting, 7:00 – 9:00 PM

##### **Thursday, July 20**

Senior Men's Lunch, 11:30AM – RSVP to Tim Patschke

Church & Society Team meeting, 5:30 PM (*3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of every month*)

##### **Saturday, July 22**

**OCUMC Community Day and Chicken BBQ, 7AM-1PM**

VBS Prep, 9:00 AM

##### **Sunday, July 23**

VBS decorating & setup, noon (light lunch included)

##### **Mon – Fri, July 24-28**

**VBS Food Truck Party, 6-8PM**

##### **Sunday, July 30**

**Church & VBS family picnic, noon**

**School Supply Giveaway, 1:00 – 3:00 PM**

#### WORSHIP LEADERS for next Sunday, July 23 are:

GREETERS: Jim & Buni Harbison

USHERS: Jim & Buni Harbison

LITURGIST: Michelle Bame

CHILDREN'S TIME: Michelle Bame

JUNIOR CHURCH: Will resume in September

YOUTH GROUP: Pastor Jason & Erich & Ann Byers