PRAYER REQUESTS:

OUR CONCERNS:

Peace in Israel, Palestine, and Ukraine For peace & wisdom in areas of conflict Wisdom & safety for government officials globally President Joe Biden and VP Kamala Harris Healthy and gentle campaigns and election process Veterans and Service Members Civilians, leaders, and soldiers in war torn regions 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 & disease Stewardship of our environment & climate Refugees & huddled masses yearning to be free Security and immigration reform People who are hungry and unhoused Prisoners, Prison Leadership & Judges Reform for Education Funding, Criminal Justice, and Foster Care Systems Teachers, Students, Families & Campus ministries 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 Udobo School in Durban, South Africa Campus Ministries Eileen Williams - muscles Bradley McGowan - ALS Linda Philbin – motor neuropathy & healing Rosemary (Marilyn Jones' sister) – healing Annette McClarigan – health, sons & family Jean Neideigh – healing (MS) Noah Boughter, Sophie and family Heather Lindsey Jake Ruhl – hip and shoulder pain Shirley Gehr – healing Tracey – follow up reports on a tumor The Jackson Family Robyn Meckley – healing Linda Weber - healing

Those with cancer: Cyndi Campbell, Dean Grove, Mark Reitzel, Duane Lehman, Ruthie, Martin Campbell, Ben Neideigh, Harmony Chiccarine, Grandma Edwards, Nat, Tina Miller, Carl Derr, Dorcas Kamanda (in remission), Jim Royer, Adam Malik, Carol Bryner (Allen K's sister), Joan (Nancy's sister-in-law), Isaias Maldonado (Ramonita's Uncle), Missy Landis; Gail (friend of Sandy), Hector Rosado, Tim (Marilyn J's nephew)

Terry & Margie Urban & family – housing & health Rev. Dorcas's ministry in Sierra Leone Ruthie & Gary with Dementia – friends of Amy Brenda, Dave and Mike Loechner – health Denny Armstrong – kidney failure Deb Stauffer – healing from pneumonia Carol Dronke – upcoming surgery Daryl Hawthorne – healing after foot surgery Terry Kofroth – healing Phyllis Miller – Congestive Heart Failure Bob Miller – pain and heart problems Pastoral transitions for Long Memorial, Emmanuel and Salem: Rothsville UMC Bishop Schol, DS Freymoyer & EPAUMC Staff Laity and Clergy of the UMC For unity & love in the church universal & the UMC Paul (Jake's nephew) – healing for heart & kidneys Lexi Compton – treatment for tumor on spine Boughter family Brian – healing

OUR PRAISES:

Pastor Hedwige Mutwale Mukalay's ministry Lorraine Smith – healing & cancer free after thyroid removal

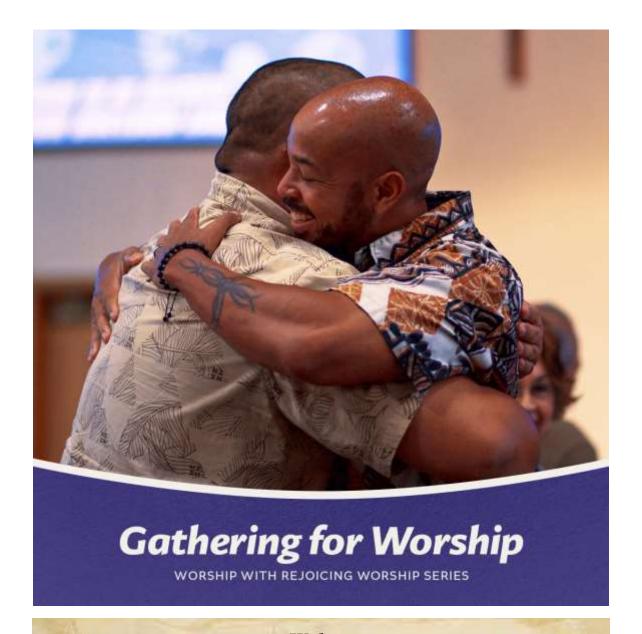
Donald Campbell – kidney and heart concerns

Ron Lunn – health issues and preparing to move

Dolly Bankert – severely bruised knee

Joshua Bitner – Crohn's Disease

New friends joining us for worship each week Love and support of Faith UMC Family Grace and forgiveness The Holy Spirit speaking to us The Promise of Heaven God's loving presence in the midst of struggles Please submit prayer needs, praises, & updates by note or email to the office: faithumc@hotmail.com



Welcome

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Faith United Methodist Church



July 14, 2024 at 10:30 AM – 8th Sunday after Pentecost

ELCOME: Each Sunday we gather together to worship as a communal activity where individuals become one in the Christ. We learn of God together through Scripture and discernment. We support and pray for one another in the journey. We submit together to obey God's call on our lives. May the Spirit of God inspire & fill us as we worship together today! 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!

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 & Pastor Jason

*CALL TO WORSHIP

CHILDREN'S TIME

Pastor Jason & God's People

Michelle Bame

When we witness our work bear good fruit and rejoice in all God has done among us... we gather for worship. When misunderstanding and misinformation threaten to divide instead of unite us... we gather for worship. When we dance together in the joy of knowing we belong to God and one another... we gather for worship. When we stumble and bumble our way forward as God's grace guides us into greater love and deeper communion... we gather for worship. Thanks be to God. Amen.

Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, May2024

*HYMN	Come, Now Is the Time to Worship	MSFPW2 #56
SCRIPTURE LESSON	Psalm 24 This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!	Buni Harbison
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*HYMN Come, Christians, Join to Sing UMH #158
THE PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER UMH #895

SCRIPTURE LESSON Ephesians 1:3-14 Buni Harbison

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

SCRIPTURE LESSON 2 Samuel 6:1-19 Buni Harbison

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

SERMON Gathering for Worship Pastor Jason

BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH Pastor Jason

*HYMN Marching to Zion UMH #733 v. 1-3

* You are invited to stand in body or in Spirit

Pianist: Dolly Bankert **AV Tech:** Dennis Meck, Sr & Keagan Meck **Pastor:** The Rev. Jason Perkowski **Ministers:** The People of God

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.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL at 9:00 AM meets in the 1st classroom in the Ed. Wing.

JUNIOR CHURCH for 3-year-olds - 4th grade during the 10:30AM Worship Service. Please sign your child in before the service & get a numbered badge. Children are dismissed to Jr. Church after the Children's Message. After worship, pick up kids in the Education Wing, 3rd classroom on the right.

YOUTH GROUP ON SUNDAYS, 5-7 PM at Faith UMC for 5th-12th graders. Each week there is dinner, games & a lesson. Any students are invited to join us—you don't have to be a member of one of our churches. Sign up to be the 2nd adult and/or provide a meal in the hall or by contacting Pastor Jason. **THOSE ENTERING 5TH GRADE IN THE FALL ARE INVITED TO START ATTENDING YOUTH GROUP!! WELCOME!**

GRIEFSHARE helps people process the loss of loved ones and to find support from peers. There is a video curriculum, discussion and mutual support. We started a new group in April. We meet every other Monday from 5-6:30 PM in the first classroom in the Education Wing at Faith UMC. Our next meetings are July 15 & 29. This is open to the church and community. Contact Pastor Jason for more info or to register.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY at Oregon Community UMC will resume in the Fall

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

THE CHURCH & SOCIETY TEAM engages in improving our community by standing up against injustice. Next meeting: July 18 at 5:30 PM (3rd Thursdays). Join us by Zoom only at: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82735304374?pwd=eDBSZHRCZVphSnh2TENDZ0xrdG0vQT09. To learn more, contact Renee Norman. The Criminal Justice & Bail Reform Team, meets online at Noon every other Wed. (July 24 & Aug 7): https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82483314676?pwd=K2ZtZGQ0LzBOelVIVXQwUk5LR2VFQT09

SEND A CARD TO HOMEBOUND PEOPLE: There are cards in a basket in the hall and complete sets of labels in small bags pinned to the bulletin board. Add a note and drop it in the mail to spread some joy to those who cannot get to church. If you know of someone to add to our list, see Buni.

SUB SALE: We have certificates from S. Clyde Weaver for \$7.00. Pick up a delicious made-to-order sub at any of their locations. You have 7+ varieties of sandwiches available on a sub roll, bread or wrap or you may pick a readymade sandwich. You can support our ministries while getting a discount on your sandwich! See Carol.

FAITH UMC WORSHIP TEAM: Do you sing, play an instrument, and make a joyful noise to the Lord? If so, please **join the Faith Singers every Wednesday at 6:00 PM** to learn and rehearse the worship music.

CALLING ALL KIDS AGES 4-10!!! Vacation Bible School is July 22-26 from 6-8 PM. This year we are going on a deep-sea adventure – *Operation Overboard!* Come and join us for a fun-filled week of skits, games, music, crafts, and snacks. We will meet people of deep faith from both the Old & New Testaments as we invite you into a deeper relationship with God through Jesus Christ. **Sign up now**: https://forms.gle/aqZ6Hi75EUUo7ofN8 or visit our website and click the link in the events section. We can't wait to see you here!

VBS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! Adults & youth are invited to volunteer for *Operation Overboard* VBS! There is a signup sheet in the hall or contact Carol Kennedy for opportunities to serve, lead & have fun with children from our church and the community! We are especially in need of a person to lead the music. We also need a skit leader, guide for the 1st – 4th grade group, and snack leader (snacks are already planned and purchased). We will be meeting on Saturday to work on decorations. There are also items to cut out at home to prepare for crafts.

MANDATED REPORTER/SAFE SANCTUARIES TRAINING: You are required to attend this training annually if you have any interaction with children, youth or vulnerable adults. Please provide us with a certificate proving that you have done this training or join us on Mon., July 15 from 6:30–8 pm for training led by Pastor Jason —for youth & adults. If you are not able to attend that day training sessions are available online.

THANK YOU for your faithfulness to our ministries—through your prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness. As we reach the midpoint of the year, giving and fundraisers for our general ministries has raised \$82,000, with \$90,000 in expenses. Thankfully, due to generous end of year giving, we carried a surplus into 2024, which has enabled us to pay our expenses and still have \$14,000 in our general ministry account. We began the year with \$1,000 in our account to be used for our mortgage payments on the Fellowship Hall and Education Wing, and that debt reduction account now has \$8,700 to be used for those bills.

We need to maintain a regular weekly income of \$4,000 per week toward the regular budget and the debt reduction combined in order to meet our expenses without depleting the accounts. We are currently averaging only \$3312 in income, including fundraisers. If you are able to give regularly toward our ministry—or to make a one-time donation—that goes a long way to sustaining the work that we do together to serve our community.

Gifts can be directed to **General Ministry and/or 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 or via the **QR Code**. You can also **mail** or **place an offering in the plate**. Special gifts from IRAs, stocks, etc. can also be received.



FAITH FRIENDSHIP MINISTRIES is a Faith based group home in Mountville, PA that houses adults with disabilities, especially severe mental illnesses. They need craft supplies for their activity department. As we are such a generous congregation, the missions committee said we would help! They are looking for the following supplies: t-shirts of all sizes, white baseball hats, tie dye supplies, stickers, holiday stickers, holiday craft supplies for all holidays, poster board, tissue paper, glitter, sequins, yarn, and any other craft supplies anyone wants to donate.

THREADS OF FAITH: If you like to knit, sew, crochet or quilt, we would like to invite you to Threads of Faith! Whether experienced or just learning, you are welcome to join us from 10am - Noon the first Saturday of each month for fun, fellowship and crafting! Bring your sewing machines and supplies and work on your projects or start a new one while we chat and share talents in our brightly lit, spacious room with plenty of outlets! Our first gathering will be Sat., Aug. 3rd. Signups appreciated but walk-ins welcome! We look forward to meeting you all!

SCRAPBOOKING EVENT at Faith UMC on Sat., Aug. 10, 2024 from 9AM-5PM: For \$25 you will have a 4 foot by 30 inch table space per person.. We will provide assistance with transporting your scrapbook supplies from the car to the table when you arrive and back to the car at the end of the day. Food will be available for purchase. You can <u>REGISTER ONLINE</u> or by downloading a copy of the form to print and mail. **Register now to save your spot! Registration is preferred by July 15th.** There is a signup sheet in the hall for volunteers to help with this event—or contact Michelle Bame (717)537-5064 or Jackie Black (717)572-1521.

SUMMER CAMP: REGISTER TO ATTEND OR VOLUNTEER AS A COUNSELOR / SUPPORT STAFF. Visit https://www.epaumc.org/ministry/camp-retreat for more info. Families with campers in need of financial support should contact the church office.

MEDICINE BOTTLE COLLECTION: We send *small* prescription pill bottles to clinics in poor countries. *Please remove all labels and sticky residue.* A basket is under the table as you enter the Sanctuary.

COMMUNITY AID will donate \$.13 to Faith UMC for every pound of clothing, shoes, electronic, toys, & household goods (excluding furniture) donated at 31 Rohrerstown Road Mon–Sat, 9AM–6PM. *Tell staff to credit Non-profit partner #10221 - Faith UMC*. Write or tape partner number on bags/boxes.

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 participating in this ministry.

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*.

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

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

Junior Church during 10:30 AM worship

Youth Group at Faith, 5-7 PM

1st SundaysCommunion offered during worship service, followed by refreshmentsMondaysGriefShare Group - Every other Monday, 5:00-6:30 PM at Faith UMC

Tuesdays Nar-Anon - Every other Tuesday, 7:00-9:00 PM at Faith UMC

Wednesdays Worship Team Practice, 6:00 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 & Threads of Faith (beginning Aug 3)

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Thursday, July 11 Finance meeting, 6:00 PM Saturday, July 13 VBS Prep, 9:00 AM

Monday, July 15 GriefShare Group - Every other Monday from 5:00 to 6:30 PM

Mandated Reporter/Safe Sanctuaries Training, 6:30 PM

Thursday, July 18 Men's Lunch at Oregon Dairy, 11:30 AM

Church & Society meeting via Zoom, 5:30 PM

SPRC meeting, 6:00 PM

Saturday, July 20 VBS Prep, 9:00 AM

Sunday, July 21 VBS decorating & setup, noon (lunch included) M-F, July 22-26 Operation Overboard VBS, 6:00 to 8:00 PM

Sunday, July 28 Family Picnic, noon

Monday, July 29 GriefShare Group - Every other Monday from 5:00 to 6:30 PM

Thursday, Aug 1 SPRC meeting, 6:00 PM

Saturday, Aug 3 Threads of Faith, 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM Ladies' Lunch at Oregon Dairy, 11:30 AM

Thursday, Aug 8 Finance Meeting, 6:00 PM

Friday, Aug 9 Set up for Scrapbook Crop, 6:00 to 7:00 PM

Saturday, Aug 10 Scrapbook Crop, 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM – See our website to register now.

WORSHIP LEADERS for next Sunday, July 21 are:

GREETERS/USHERS: Sydney Dorhing & Alan Strait

LITURGIST: Lisa Baker

CHILDREN'S TIME: Pastor Jason

JUNIOR CHURCH: Gwen Newell & Allen Kennedy YOUTH GROUP: Pastor Jason & Sara Solodky