

## PRAYER REQUESTS:

### **OUR CONCERNS:**

Bishop Moore-KoiKoi, DS Freymoyer & EPA Staff  
Laity and Clergy of the UMC  
Unity & love in the church universal & the UMC  
Wisdom & safety for government officials globally  
President Joe Biden and VP Kamala Harris  
For accuracy and trust in confirming the votes and a peaceful transfer of power  
President-elect Donald Trump and VP-elect JD Vance  
Peace in Israel, Palestine, Ukraine & Russia  
For peace & wisdom in areas of conflict  
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  
NarSarah Village and Clinic, Sierra Leone  
Eileen Williams – muscles  
Bradley McGowan – ALS  
Jean & Ben Neideigh – healing  
Noah Boughter, Sophie and family  
Heather Lindsey  
Denny Armstrong – kidney failure  
Carol Dronke – healing

Those with cancer: Cyndi Campbell, Dean Grove, Mark Reitzel, Duane Lehman, Ruthie, Martin Campbell, Ben Neideigh, Harmony Chiccarine, Tina Miller, Dorcas Kamanda (in remission), Jim Royer, Adam Malik, Joan (Nancy's sister-in-law), Isaias Maldonado (Ramonita's Uncle), Missy Landis; Gail (friend of Sandy), Geneva (sister of Larry Landis), Marc Barley (Diane's cousin), Lexi Compton (tumor on spine), Heather Williams

Paul (Jake's nephew) – healing for heart & kidneys  
Dottie Sheaffer – healing  
Andrea (friend of Lisa) – neck & back pain  
Linda Philbin – motor neuropathy & cancer  
Pat Oglesby (Laura Gehman's sister) –health  
Pat Drebot (Jake's sister) – declining health  
Rosemary (Marilyn Jones' sister) – health  
Dolly Bankert – healing after knee surgery  
Diana Valentine – healing after hand surgery  
Terry Kofroth – healing for back & cataract surgery  
Melanie Jusino – for peace and guidance  
Ralph & BobbiAnn Stone and their family  
Mary Shenk – Alzheimer's  
Alfredo Vega, Jr – safety while on active duty  
Kaylee Colón – depression & anxiety  
Kayla (Tyler's sister)  
Craig Hathaway – AFib issue  
Shirley Gehr – healing  
Holly (Julie H's sister) – healing after stroke  
Nat (friend of Wikers) – healing  
Twins & Sister settling back with parents  
Amanda Ortiz's Dad – health  
Stormy – Stage 4 Bone Cancer  
Mike Seiders – upcoming brain surgery  
Buni Harbison – upcoming shoulder surgery  
Phyllis Miller – healing after a fall  
Gerry Maurer – healing  
Tim – healing from severe workplace injury

### **OUR PRAISES:**

New members welcomed into our church family on Jan 5  
Tom & Sheila moving into new home  
God's loving presence in the midst of struggles  
Those who have seen healings from prayer  
Reconnecting with family  
*Please submit prayer needs, praises, & updates by note or email to the office: [faithumc@hotmail.com](mailto:faithumc@hotmail.com)*



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January 12, 2025 at 10:30 AM – 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after the Epiphany / Baptism of the Lord

**WELCOME:** We gather together to worship God! We celebrate that The Holy Spirit came upon the Virgin Mary, the Word of God became flesh within her, & she brought the only begotten Son, Jesus, into the world. May the Spirit of God inspire & fill us as we take this journey together. As we retell the stories of God’s faithful love throughout time, may our hearts rejoice! 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 worshipping online, please ‘sign in’ and add prayer requests by commenting on the video.*

## GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Buni Harbison & Pastor Jason**

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

**Pastor Jason & God’s People**

When we pass through the cleansing waters of baptism and the troubled waters of our lives, God declares:

**I will be with you.**

When we go through the fires that refine us and the fires that threaten our livelihoods, God declares:

**I will be with you.**

Even when we travel to the far corners of the earth or down into the depths of our souls, God declares:

**I will be with you.**

So come, let us worship God whose love never fails, whose presence never leaves, whose mercies never end.

**Praise be to God who, in the form of Jesus, waded into the waters of baptism to prove God’s solidarity with us! Amen.**

*Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, July 2024*

### \*HYMN

*Breathe on Me, Breath of God*

**UMH #420**

### SCRIPTURE LESSON

**Luke 2: 21-40**

**Bob Rodgers**

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

### CHILDREN’S TIME

**Michelle Bame**

### \*HYMN

*The Church’s One Foundation*

**UMH #545 v. 1, 2, 5**

### THE PRAYERS OF GOD’S PEOPLE & THE LORD’S PRAYER & BLESSING OF THE PRAYER SHAWLS

**UMH #895**

### SCRIPTURE LESSON

**Luke 2:41-52**

**Bob Rodgers**

*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**

#### \*HYMN

*Wade in the Water*

**TFWS #2107**

### SCRIPTURE LESSON

**Luke 3:15-23**

**Bob Rodgers**

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

### SERMON

***I Will Be with You: Fulfilling The Law***

**Pastor Jason**

### BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH

**Pastor Jason**

#### \*HYMN

*Go Now in Peace*

**UMH #665 (as a Round)**

*\* You are invited to stand in body or in Spirit*

**Guest Musicians:** Jody & Anthony Wiker **AV Tech:** Dennis Meck, Sr

**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.

**FAITH UMC JOB OPPORTUNITIES:** Seeking maturing Christian candidates. Details visit [www.FaithUMC.US](http://www.FaithUMC.US)

**OFFICE MANAGER / ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT for approx. 20 hours per week in-office** to provide administrative support for Pastor, Finance Committee, and church ministries. This includes managing communications, developing weekly worship materials and digital newsletters, and supporting financial accounting with the Treasurer. Strong tech and communication skills necessary.

**PIANIST to help lead worship on Sunday Morning** at 10:30AM as well as a one-hour midweek rehearsal. Stipend is \$100/week. Able to play at a blended service with contemporary and traditional elements.

**THE SMO (Shepherding Outreach & Missions) TEAM** will meet on Sunday, January 12 after worship to plan mission opportunities for 2025.

**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL at 9 AM** meets in the 1<sup>st</sup> 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. All students are invited to join us. To be the 2nd adult and/or provide a meal, sign up in the hall or contact Pastor Jason. ***We will go to Gretna Glen Camp on Sun, Jan. 19 (3:30-7pm). Volunteers are needed to carpool to the camp. Please see Pastor Jason if you are willing to help drive the youth and/or chaperone.***

**BIBLE2SCHOOL** is meeting at Faith UMC **on Tues. for 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade & Weds. for 4<sup>th</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade** students from Reidenbaugh Elem. **Volunteers needed as Small Group Leaders.**

**GRIEFSHARE** helps people process the loss of loved ones and to find support from peers. This is open to the church and community. ***We will be starting a new round of classes. Let Pastor Jason know if you are interested.***

**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: January 16 at 5:00 PM (3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays).** **Join us by Zoom only at:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82735304374?pwd=eDBSZHRRCZVphSnh2TENDZ0xrdG0vQT09>. To learn more, contact Renee Norman. The **Criminal Justice & Bail Reform Team**, meets online at Noon every other Wed. (Jan 22 & Feb 5): <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82483314676?pwd=K2ZtZGQ0LzBOe1VlVXQwUk5LR2VFOT09>. Reimagine Justice Lancaster meets online at Noon on Tuesdays of the opposite weeks (Jan 14 & 28) at: <https://us05web.zoom.us/j/82819147194?pwd=BF8E8JopVvfExanCW0QPjJ7p9DcbDq.1>

**UDOBO PRE-SCHOOL:** Our Advent & Christmas Eve offering of \$2,073.00 along with the change jar and any additional labeled offering will be donated to the Udobo Pre-School in Durban, South Africa in early February. Thank you for your faithful generosity! If you would still like to donate to this cause you may. Visit <http://UdoboSchool.com> to learn more. Your gift will help finance meals, educational supplies and teaching staff. Checks can be made out to *Faith UMC* with “Udobo School” in the memo or donate online to that fund at [www.faithumc.us](http://www.faithumc.us).

**SUB SALE:** We have \$7 certificates from S. Clyde Weaver for delicious made-to-order subs w/over 7+ varieties on sub rolls, bread or wraps. Support our ministries & get a discount! See Carol.

**PUZZLE PALOOZA! DO YOU LOVE JIGSAW PUZZLES?** Join us at Faith UMC on **Saturday, January 25, 2025 from 10:00am to 11:30am (check-in at 9:30am)**. Get your team of 2-4 together and **let's race to complete a 500-piece puzzle. The winning team gets a prize** along with bragging rights! ALL teams get to keep their puzzles after the event. **The cost is \$40 per team, due at time of registration. Information and registration is available at [www.FaithUMC.US](http://www.FaithUMC.US) under Events. Register now!** To join with another team please contact Gwen or the office.

**DIRECTORY UPDATE:** Carol will be updating the directory this month. If you would like your picture updated or do not currently have a picture in the directory, please see her to get your picture taken, submit a picture to the office, or email it to [faithumc@hotmail.com](mailto:faithumc@hotmail.com). If you haven't already done so, please let her know of any changes to your address, phone number, or email.

**THANK YOU for your faithfulness** to our ministries through your prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness. **As of December 31, giving and fundraisers for our general ministries has raised \$182,770, with \$175,500 in expenses. There are still a few more transactions to clear before we closeout the year but we will finish 2024 with a balanced budget. Thank you for your generous support!** In 2025 we will need about \$4,200 per week in giving toward the general ministry and our mortgage debt reduction in order to finish the year with a balanced budget.

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 bank 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**. 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 various disabilities. They could use craft supplies for their activity department. See Mission Team for info.

**THREADS OF FAITH:** If you like to knit, sew, crochet or quilt, you are invited to Threads of Faith from 10am - Noon the first Saturday of each month for a time of fellowship and crafting! Bring your sewing machines and supplies and work on your projects or start a new one! **Next meeting February 1.**

**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 before they unload.** Write or tape partner number on bags/boxes.

**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.**

**COMMUNITY MEAL:** People in need may pick up a **Grab 'n Go Meal at Zion Lutheran Church** in East Petersburg every Monday. **Faith UMC provides sixty Grab 'n Go Meals quarterly.** Our dates for 2025 are: Feb. 3, Apr. 7, Jul 7, and Oct 27. *Contact Carol Kennedy if you are interested in participating in this ministry.*

**IMPACT! MISSIONS** is a Christian Housing Ministry that helps create warm, safe, and dry homes to be sold to lower-income families and does repairs on homes for existing homeowners in financial distress. They need volunteers to restore these homes. **Contact Leon Bame for more info at 717-344-9924 or [leonshel37@gmail.com](mailto:leonshel37@gmail.com).**

## 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 (*3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays to Gretna Glen Camp instead - Jan 19*)  
Communion offered during worship service, followed by refreshments

### **1<sup>st</sup> Sundays**

### **1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays**

### **Tuesdays**

### **Wednesdays**

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### **Thursdays**

### **Fridays**

### **1<sup>st</sup> Saturdays**

Nar-Anon, 7:15-8:45 PM at Faith UMC  
Bible2School in the Fellowship Hall, 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM  
Bible2School in the Fellowship Hall, 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM  
Worship Team Practice, 6:45 PM  
Wing and a Prayer AA Meeting in the Fellowship Hall, 10:00 AM  
Bible Study led by Pastor Jason, 10:00 AM  
Servant Saturday & Threads of Faith

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

### **Sunday, Jan 12**

### **Thursday, Jan 16**

### **Thursday, Jan 23**

### **Saturday, Jan 25**

SMO (Shepherding Outreach & Missions) meeting, 11:45 AM  
Men's Lunch at Oregon Dairy, 11:30 AM, RSVP to Allen Kennedy  
Church & Society meeting via Zoom, 5:00 PM  
Church Council meeting, 6:00 PM  
**Puzzle Palooza, 10:00-11:30 AM (check in at 9:30 AM)**

## WORSHIP LEADERS for next Sunday, January 19

GREETERS: Daryl Hawthorne & Terry Kofroth

USHERS: Daryl Hawthorne & Carol Kennedy

LITURGIST: Michelle Bame

CHILDREN'S TIME: Pastor Jason

JUNIOR CHURCH: Gwen Newell & Allen Kennedy

YOUTH GROUP: Pastor Jason **& volunteers needed to transport to Gretna Glen**