

PRAYER REQUESTS:

OUR CONCERNS:

Bishop Moore-KoiKoi, DS Freymoyer & EPA Staff as they travel in South Korea
Laity and Clergy of the UMC
Unity & love in the church universal & the UMC
Healing & peace for divisions over race, class, gender, sexuality, politics & fears
Wisdom & safety for government officials globally
President Donald Trump and VP JD Vance
Peace in Israel, Palestine, Ukraine, Russia, the Middle East, Nigeria, Venezuela, Syria, Somalia, Yemen, etc.
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
All those affected by violence and hate
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 & Attorneys
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, mental health illnesses, anxiety and stress
All those caring for sick loved ones
Those grieving the loss of loved ones
Members currently in jail or returning home
Udobo School in Durban, South Africa
NarSarah Village and Clinic, Sierra Leone
Mary Shenk for Alzheimer's
Alfredo Vega, Jr – safety while on active duty
Mary Ann Unangst for healing and strength
Peace for those dealing with anxiety and stress
Eileen Williams – muscles
Linda Philbin – motor neuropathy & cancer

Those with cancer: Cyndi Campbell, Dean Grove, Mark Reitzel, Duane Lehman, Ruthie, Martin Campbell, Dorcas Kamanda, Adam Malik, Joan (Nancy's sister-in-law), Isaias Maldonado (Ramonita's Uncle), Missy Landis; Marc Barley (Diane's cousin), Heather Williams, Nat (friend of Wikers), Kole; Pat Oglesby (Laura G's sister); Eileen Landis; Janet (friend of Lisa); Bob Black – lung cancer; Priscilla Rice – lung cancer; Craig friend of Bob Lawrence

Terry Kofroth for upcoming test for continued pain
Daryl Hawthorne – knee pain and other health issues
Craig & Nancy Hathaway
Peggy Burley regaining strength
Ray Carpenter – heart surgeries and broken femur
Ruthie Johnson for Health
Beth (Amy's friend) – recovery from back surgery
Garnett for health & balance issues
Garnett's daughter Kimberly Ann Wenger
Kathy, friend of Natalie, who had a stroke
Shelda Costello – healing from broken femur
Tom Boehm and Sheila Scriven – home and healing
Sandy Patschke – health and recovery from fall
Alex's (a friend of Bryan) grandmother in hospice
Buni Harbison – healing for rotator cuff surgery
Rich (Daryl's brother) recovering from a stroke
Jake Ruhl healing from infection
Vickie (friend of Natalie) healing after a heart attack
Allen Kennedy, healing after foot surgery
Amy Weaver, healing from surgery for masses in both lungs
Wayne Dearolf's Uncle Bob Burkhart, admitted to hospital with mini strokes
Randy Rineer-hernia surgery
Dixie & Denny recovering from falls
Lisa Baker's mom for safety while traveling

OUR PRAISES:

All who are healing from various surgeries
The season of Lent and learning deeper disciplines
Dalton Hogan - Melodie & Wayne Dearolf 4-week-old grandson, recovery & healing from surgery.

Please submit prayer needs, praises, & updates by note or email to the office: faithumc@hotmail.com



Welcome

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March 1, 2026 at 10:30AM – 2nd Sunday in Lent

WELCOME: We gather together to worship God: The Father, The Son, & the Holy Spirit. You are welcome to engage with us and our loving God 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

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Jason & God's People

Children of God, in Lent we remember that our salvation is an unearned gift, that new life is a matter of faith, not of works.

We gather to lay down the burden of trying to earn our salvation.

Like Nicodemus, who met Jesus in the dark of night, we struggle to accept that new life is not just possible but given as a free gift of grace.

We gather to bring our struggles into the light and embrace God's grace with open arms.

Like Paul writing to the Romans, we remember God's promise of new life has always rested on grace.

We gather to receive the promise of salvation by grace through faith.

Like the many who have followed, questioned, and grown in the faith, we submit ourselves to be formed by grace as we work out our salvation day by day.

We gather as people guided by the promise of new life, a promise fulfilled by Christ, whose path we follow. Amen

Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, July 2025

*HYMN

I Need Thee Every Hour

UMH #397

CHILDREN'S TIME

Pastor Jason

THE PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Pastor Jason

*HYMN

Lord I Want to Be a Christian in my Heart

UMH #402

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 7:1-6

Terry Kofroth

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

SERMON

Judging

Pastor Jason

COMMUNION: CONFESSION, PARDON & PASSING THE PEACE

UMH #12-13

All are invited to the Lord's Table to receive God's forgiveness and grace through Communion

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

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

UMH #95

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING & THE LORD'S PRAYER

UMH #15-16 & #895

RECEIVING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

*HYMN

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty

UMH #64

*HYMN

Let Us Break Bread Together

UMH #618

*HYMN

Jesu, Jesu

UMH #432

BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH

Pastor Jason

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

Pianist: Jessica Maldonado **AV Tech:** Dennis Meck, Sr.
Pastor: The Rev. Jason Perkowski **Ministers:** The People of God

OFFICE COMMUNICATIONS: Melodie Dearolf will be in the office 11AM- 2PM Monday to Thursday. Submit info for the Faith-a-Gram and Bulletin by Wednesday 11AM. Pastor Jason will be on duty Sundays, as well as Monday-Thursday (9AM–2PM) due to a limited schedule to acclimate a new foster child into their home. His Sabbath is Friday until Sunday morning. Call ahead to ensure that we are available and not in a meeting.

LENTEN SEASON: Lent began with the Ash Wednesday Service. This began a 40-day season (plus Sunday Celebrations) in preparation for Easter as we remember Jesus' 40 days of prayer and fasting in the wilderness. **Holy Week** will include a **Maundy Thursday Service on April 2 at 7PM at Oregon Community UMC**, two **Good Friday Services at Noon and 7PM**, an **Easter Sunrise Service on April 5** at 6:15AM at Oregon Community UMC's Pavilion, two **Easter Sunday Services at 9AM at OCUMC and 10:30AM at Faith UMC**.

40 DAYS OF GIVING: During the 40 days of Lent, we are invited to grow closer to God through prayer, reflection and sacrifice. We also invite you to join in by collecting food for those in need. If you are able to donate one item each day of Lent, we can make a powerful difference in the lives of families in our community. Small acts of faithfulness, multiplied by many hands, become a great blessing. Let us walk this Lenten journey with hearts open to give and serve. Lists of items to collect are on the tables in the hallway. Deliver items to the church by Easter.

NEW STUDY DURING ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL AT 9AM; *Outlive Your Life* by Max Lucado is new study, led by Michelle Bame. Rooted in Acts 1 and 2, this series explores the truth that God created each of us to make a meaningful difference. The study is planned as a four-week session, followed by time to discuss one or more service projects. Each gathering includes a short video and some light homework that we'll talk through the following week, so the full journey may run six to eight weeks. **Michelle has workbooks available.** It's inspiring to consider that we're not only invited but commissioned to leave the world better than we found it.

NURSERY (1 year old - 3 years old) & **JUNIOR CHURCH** (4-years-old - 4th grade) are offered during the 10:30AM Worship Service. Please sign your child in before the service & get a numbered badge. *The Nursery is available at the start of the worship service.* **Children who are 4 years old-4th grade should stay in the service until after the "Children's Time"**. After worship, you will sign your children out in their classrooms in the Education Wing—except on 1st Sundays when children will be brought to the Sanctuary as Communion begins.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED to help in nursery and junior church. We are on a rotation, based on our volunteers' availability. We provide lesson plans. For more info, contact Lisa at 717-615-6707 or lisa.baker2294@gmail.com.

YOUTH GROUP ON SUNDAYS, 5-7PM for 5th-12th graders. Each week there is dinner, games & a lesson. All students are invited. **Please sign up on the sheet in the hallway if you are willing to provide a meal. We will go to Gretna Glen on Sun., March 15th meeting at Faith UMC at 3:30PM and return by 7PM.**

OUR GRIEF SHARE SUPPORT GROUP meets every **Monday at 5PM** for anyone who has experienced the loss of a loved one and could use support and tools for dealing with all of the emotions and struggles that come from grief. Contact Pastor Jason for more info and register at: <http://bit.ly/3MeeZax>

TUESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY WITH KATHY "Meet Yourself in the Psalms" 6-7:30PM. This is a Bible Study reading through some of the Psalms to explore how to pray more holistically. Meet in Youth Classroom.

PASTOR'S MORNING BIBLE STUDY at 10AM on WEDNESDAYS in the Faith UMC Adult Classroom.

SIGN UP SHEETS: There are several spaces where you can volunteer to support our ministries. You can **sign up in the hallway** to provide a **meal for youth**, help as a **greeter or usher, nursery & junior church helper**, serve on **altar guild** resetting the paraments in the front of the church, or providing **refreshments** on Communion Sunday.

FINANCIAL UPDATE: In 2026, we will need an average of \$3,430/week in giving towards our General Ministry Fund and \$770 towards our Mortgage/Debt Reduction. As you consider what to give, we recommend ¾ of your offering being allocated to the General Ministry Fund and ¼ of your gifts to the Mortgage/Debt Reduction Fund. For example, if you give \$100 per week, we recommend \$75 to General Ministry and \$25 to Mortgage/Debt Reduction.

You can set up automatic gifts through your own bank, mail checks directly to the church, place an offering in the plate on a Sunday, or donate online by scanning the QR Code, clicking www.FaithUMC.US → “Online Giving” or go to <https://secure.myvanco.com/L-Z37Q/home>.



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*.

SALEM’S LITTLE FREE PANTRY: Place donations in the box at Faith. The pantry accepts canned goods (tuna, chicken, soup, vegetables, fruit), cereal, shelf stable milk, peanut butter, jelly, boxed macaroni & cheese, ramen noodles, rice, spaghetti sauce & pasta. Pantry is on the porch at Salem Lutheran, 26 Owl Hill Rd., Lititz.

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.

CAR SHOW: We are planning a Car Show Fundraiser August 8th at Faith UMC. Charlie Parmer is leading this event. Our next planning meeting is **Thurs., April 9th at 6:30PM**. Contact Charlie at 717-665-6152 to help.

CHURCH RECORDS: We are currently updating our church records. Information cards are available on the desk outside the office. If you are new here, we would love for you to fill one out so we can get to know you better. Please return completed cards to the office mailbox. Photos will be updated or taken as needed. Thank you for helping us stay connected!

BRIDGE OF HOPE: There is a check in meeting for the team at **6PM on March 16**. Please see Diane for info.

THE CHURCH & SOCIETY TEAM engages in improving our community by standing up against injustice. **Next meeting: March 19 at 5PM (3rd Thursdays)**. Contact Renee Norman for info. **Join us by Zoom at:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82735304374?pwd=eDBSZHRCZVphSnh2TENDZ0xrdG0vQT09>.

THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE & BAIL REFORM TEAM **Next meeting: March 4 at Noon (every other Wednesday)**. <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82483314676?pwd=K2ZtZGQ0LzBOelVlVXQwUk5LR2VFQT09>.

DO YOU HAVE ANY JEWELRY THAT YOU NO LONGER WEAR? Maybe some that is broken? Please give it to the jewelry room that we will have during the May yard sale. There is a table in the purple room to put it.

GRAB ‘N GO COMMUNITY MEAL for those in need at Zion Lutheran Church in East Petersburg every Monday. Faith UMC provides sixty meals quarterly. **Our next meal will be March 2**. Contact Carol Kennedy to help. **We are looking for a volunteer or a pair of volunteers to take the lead on this ministry.**

LUMINA KIDS’ NIGHT MEALS on March 2 & 9. We still need volunteers to help serve food on March 9. You can carpool to **New Creation UMC, 10 W Farnum St., Lancaster** or meet there by **6:45PM** to serve the meal. *People have signed up to cover all the supplies—Thank You!!* There is a bin to drop off the non-perishables. Coordinate drop off of refrigerated food items with Marcia. **Contact Marcia to volunteer at 717-799-5048.**

BREAKFAST WITH THE EASTER BUNNY is on Saturday, March 21 from 8-10:30AM. There will be Egg Hunts at 8:30, 9:30 & 10:30AM. There will also be a telling of the Easter Story at 9:15AM and 10:15AM.

WORSHIP WITH THE BISHOP: Wednesday March 4 provides a wonderful and nearby opportunity to worship with Bishop Moore-KoiKoi when she visits our West District and preaches at 7 PM at St. Paul’s UMC in Elizabethtown. This is her second year as our EPA Resident Bishop, and you are warmly invited to attend this worship service.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Monday, March 2

Tuesday, March 3

Wednesday, March 4

Wednesday, March 4

Friday, March 6

Saturday, March 7

Sunday, March 15

Monday, March 16

Saturday, March 21

Thursday, April 2

Friday, April 3

Sunday, April 5

Thursday, April 9

ONGOING EVENTS:

Sundays

1st Sundays

1st & 3rd Tuesdays

Mondays

Tuesdays

Tuesdays

Wednesdays

Wednesdays

Wednesdays

Every Other Wednesday

1st Wednesdays

Thursdays

Thursdays

1st Thursdays

2nd Thursdays

3rd Thursdays

3rd Thursdays

3rd Thursdays

4th Thursdays

1st Saturdays

2nd Sat. (odd months)

Grief Share 5PM Adult Classroom

Bible Study with Kathy 6PM

Ladies Lunch at Oregon Dairy, 11:30AM

Pastor’s Bible Study, 10AM in the Adult Classroom

Worship Team Practice 6PM

Lititz Day of Prayer, 7PM, Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church, 26 Owl Hill Rd Lititz

Threads of Faith 10-12PM

Youth to Gretna Glen, 3:30-7PM (last Gretna Glen Youth Night of the year)

Bridge of Hope Check in Meeting, 6PM

Breakfast with the Easter Bunny 8-10:30AM & Egg Hunts 8:30, 9:30 & 10:30AM

Maundy Thursday Service, 7PM at OCUMC

Good Friday Services, Noon & 7PM

Sunrise Service, 6:15AM at OCUMC Pavilion

Easter Services: 9AM at OCUMC & 10:30AM at Faith UMC

Car Show Team Meeting 6:30PM

Adult Sunday School, 9AM - *Outlive Your Life* by Max Lucado

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

Junior Church during 10:30AM worship

Youth Group at Faith, 5-7PM (**March 15 at Gretna Glen from 3:30-7pm**)

Communion offered during worship service, followed by refreshments

Nar-Anon, 7:15-8:45PM at Faith UMC

Grief Share, 5PM in Adult Classroom

Bible2School, 10:20AM-Noon

Bible Study on Prayers and Psalms with Kathy, 6PM

Pastor’s Bible Study, 10AM at Faith UMC

Bible2School, 10:20AM-1:20PM

Worship Team Practice, 6:00PM

POWER Criminal Justice Reform Team by Zoom, Noon

Women’s Lunch at Oregon Dairy, 11:30AM

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

Girl Scouts once a month, 5PM-6:30PM

Staff Parish Relations Committee (SPRC), 6PM

Oregon Community UMC Church Council, 6:30PM

Men’s Lunch at Oregon Dairy, 11:30AM

Church and Society Team by Zoom, 5PM

Finance Team (on *even* months), 6PM

Trustees (on *even* months), 6PM // **Church Council** (on *odd* months), 6PM

Threads of Faith, 10AM

District Meeting of AI-Anon Leaders, 10-Noon

WORSHIP LEADERS for March 8th

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Buni Harbison

GREETERS: John & Pricilla Rice

USHERS: John & Pricilla Rice

LITURGIST: Drew Hassara

CHILDREN’S TIME: Amy Boughter

JUNIOR CHURCH: Erich Byers & Carol Kennedy

NURSERY: Ann Byers

YOUTH GROUP: Pastor Jason & Bryan Nelson // YOUTH GROUP MEAL: **Volunteer Needed**