

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**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 to provide a meal.**

**GRIEF SHARE SUPPORT GROUP: Final Session is on Monday, April 13 at 5PM at Faith UMC.**

**TUESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY WITH KATHY “Meet Yourself in the Psalms” 6-7:30PM.** This Bible Study reads through the Psalms to explore holistic prayer. Meet in the Parlor at Faith UMC.

**JOIN “EXERCISE IN LOVE” Tuesdays & Thursdays at 2:15PM** in the Library at Long Memorial UMC. Everyone can benefit from this fitness program. Contact Sara Stokes at 717-492-4363 for info.

**PASTOR’S MORNING BIBLE STUDY at 10AM on WEDNESDAYS at Faith UMC.**

**CHURCH & SOCIETY TEAM** engages in improving our community by standing up against injustice. **Next meeting: April 16 at 5PM (3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays).** Contact Renee Norman for info. **Join us by Zoom at:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82735304374?pwd=eDBSZHRCZVphSnh2TENDZ0xrdG0vQT09>.

**CRIMINAL JUSTICE & BAIL REFORM TEAM** **Next meeting: April 15 at Noon (every other Wed.).** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82483314676?pwd=K2ZtZGQ0LzBOelVlVXQwUk5LR2VFQT09>.

**SPAGHETTI DINNER on Sun., April 19. Dine in or Take Out from Noon to 2PM. Take Out Only from 4-6PM.** *Pre-order to guarantee meals are available.* Walk-ins are welcome while supplies last. You may pay what you want. Donations support the ministries of the church. Meal includes Spaghetti (gluten free & meat free options available), Salad, Bread, and Dessert. If you have any questions or **to place your order you may call 717-560-0321 or email [faithumc@hotmail.com](mailto:faithumc@hotmail.com).** You can also **pre-order in the hallway.** Thank you for your support.

**CAR SHOW:** We are planning a Car Show Fundraiser in August at Faith UMC. Charlie Parmer is leading this event. Contact Charlie at 717-665-6152 to volunteer.

**FOOD TRUCKS:** On the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month from 4-7PM we will have a food truck at Oregon Community. **On April 22 we will Nano Burger Food Truck & Trivia** with prizes and music. *Invite friends! This is a great way for the community to engage with us and to feel welcomed.*

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL DIRECTOR NEEDED:** We are looking for a volunteer to direct our 5-Day VBS this summer. This is a program that serves our own children and is an outreach to families in the community. You would be responsible for selecting the program, organizing volunteers, and leading the ministry. See Pastor Jason if interested. **If we do not get a volunteer by April 15, we will need to cancel this year’s program.**

**THREADS OF FAITH** is for those who like to knit, sew, crochet or quilt. Join us from **10am - Noon at Faith UMC the first Saturday of each month NOT including April 4 at 9AM. Next: May 2.**

**CHURCH COUNCIL:** Next: **May 14 at 6:30PM** and on the **2<sup>nd</sup> Thursdays** of ODD numbered months.

**CHURCH CLEANING/WORKDAYS:** 2nd Saturdays Next: **April 11 from 9-11AM**

**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.**

*Welcome to*

## Oregon Community United Methodist Church



**Address:** 1214 Creek Road, Lititz, PA 17543

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**Website:** [OregonCommunityUMC.us](http://OregonCommunityUMC.us)

**Facebook:** Oregon Community UMC

**Pastor:** The Rev. Jason Perkowski

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Mission of Oregon Community United Methodist Church:  
**“Making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation  
of our community and the world.”**



**SUNDAY WORSHIP** in Sanctuary at 9:00 AM at Oregon Community UMC  
**BROADCAST ONLINE** at 10:30 AM from Faith UMC on Facebook  
& church websites under *Online Worship*.

**OFFICE HOURS:** 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 schedule meetings or to request pastoral care. Leave a detailed message.

# Oregon Community United Methodist Church

April 12, 2026 at 9:00AM – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter

**W**ELCOME: We worship a Risen Savior: Jesus, God's Son & our Messiah. As a Resurrection People we gather to praise God and we go out to share the Good News. The Father has seated Jesus at His Right Hand to reign with justice & mercy and sent the Holy Spirit to minister to us powerfully. 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!

## GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Easter people, Christ is risen! **Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Christ *is* risen indeed! Yet we, like Thomas, may find questions bubbling up: How do we know? What's the proof? Is Resurrection real? **Within our questioning, Christ appears.**

We may find ourselves like the other disciples, witnesses of Christ's resurrection who struggle to understand the doubt of others. **Within our certainty, Christ appears.**

Whether you come to worship full of certainty or doubt, you are welcome here, for we are all participants in the story of God's salvific work in the world, a story still unfolding all around us.

**We gather to worship, believing that in certainty and doubt, the resurrected Christ dwells among us! Amen.**

*Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, September 2025*

### \*HYMN

*Take Time to Be Holy*

UMH #395

### SCRIPTURE LESSON

**1 Timothy 4:1-16**

Ralph Stone

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

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

### \*HYMN

*What Does the Lord Require*

UMH #895

UMH #441

### SCRIPTURE LESSON

**1 Corinthians 9: 24-10:13**

Ralph Stone

*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*

Pastor Jason

UMH #95

### \*HYMN

*Open My Eyes That I May See*

UMH #454

### SCRIPTURE LESSON

**Romans 12:1-8**

Ralph Stone

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

### SERMON

*Spiritual Discipline*

Pastor Jason

### \*HYMN

*Jesu, Jesu*

UMH #432 (*Refrain every other verse*)

### \*BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH

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

**Pianist:** Jody Wiker **Pastor:** The Rev. Jason Perkowski **Ministers:** The People of God  
**Liturgists:** April 5 Mike Shifflet; 12 Ralph Stone; 19 Bob Jolly; 26 Dot Lange

**BIRTHDAYS:** April 10 Odette Brown; 14 Jackie Black; 14 Hunter Fritsch; 19 Val Cooper

**ANNIVERSARIES:** April 2 Dot & Al Lange; 15 Mike and Paula

**PRAYER REQUESTS:** Shifflet's neighbor Bob as he undergoes treatments; Al Lange healing from Gall Bladder surgery; Jane Hess for ongoing back pain; Dixie & Denny recovering from falls; Nancy's friend with feeding tube; Dean & Val Cooper, health; those who are grieving; anxiety and stress; unity & love; Jackie Black; Katie at CHOP; Nat (friend of Wikers), cancer; Joanne (Jackie's sister), scleroderma; Bobbi Ann Stone, healing; Vince Habel, heart & kidney; Shirley Baker & Cheryl Cooper, healing; & all battling cancer and disease. **PRAISES:** Kevin (Joetta's grandson) healing after organ transplants; God's faithful love and grace; those healing from illnesses. **PRAYERS FOR THE WORLD:** Wisdom and redemption for elected leaders; President Trump and VP Vance; those killed by ICE Officers and safety and wisdom for the officers; deportation and immigration policies; those affected by violence and hate; food & housing insecurity; mental health; senior citizens; addictions; the unemployed; Bishop Cynthia Moore-Koikoi; DS Freymoyer & EPAUMC Staff; Laity and Clergy; people suffering from environmental disasters; NarSarah Clinic in Sierra Leone; Udobo School in Durban, South Africa; Christ Home for Children; Blackfeet UM Parish; the people of Israel, Palestine, the Middle East, Ukraine, Russia, Nigeria, Venezuela, Syria, Somalia, Yemen, Minnesota, Greenland, Canada, Iran, etc.; veterans & military service members; police & medical personnel; the sick & caregivers; peace; abused persons & abusers; incarcerated persons and prison staff; schools; foster families; etc.

**CARE PACKAGES FOR MILLERSVILLE STUDENTS:** We are continuing our tradition of providing boxes to support college students who are part of The HUB: Millersville University Campus Ministry while they prepare for final exams in May. It has always been very much appreciated. **If you wish to participate, please donate** Post-it notes, highlighters, crackers, granola bars, microwave popcorn, hot chocolate mix, tea, candy, etc. **by April 19.** We will be **assembling the care packages on April 26.** **We are also looking for a volunteer willing to shadow Carol & take over this ministry next year.**

**COMMUNITY CRAFT / YARD SALE, Sat., May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 7AM– 2PM.** There will be dozens of vendors across the church property. Faith UMC will have a variety of items for sale including books, DVDs/CDs, jewelry, toys and other household items. Our Youth Group will sell various items for by donation. **You can reserve a space to sell your items (20'x20' in the grass for \$20 (no tables provided)).** Pre-registration of spaces is required (payment due May 23) via [FaithUMC.us](http://FaithUMC.us) or 717-696-5321. *Vendors may not sell food or drinks.*

**DO YOU HAVE 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 at Faith. Contact Buni for info.

**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 June 1st.** Contact Carol Kennedy to help. **We are looking for a volunteer or a pair of volunteers to lead this ministry.**

**SALEM LUTHERAN'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 at 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.