Faith-A-Gram

Weekly Newsletter: October 29, 2026
Faith UMC, 1290 Fruitville Pike, Lititz, PA 17543
Pastor: The Rev. Trevor L. Webster Office: (717) 560-0321 Cell: (717) 813-0603
Sermon: *The Saints Among Us*
Psalm 34: 1-10, 22; Matthew 5:1-12, 1 John 3:1-3; Revelation 7:9-17

Our Worship Participants

Communion Sunday, Nov 1, 2026

MUSIC: Jessica Maldonado and Faith Singers
A/V TECH: Dennis Meck, Sr.
ANNOUNCEMENTS: Christina Street
GREETERS: Carol Baldwin & Gayle Saunders
USHERS: Carol Baldwin & Gayle Saunders & Allen Kennedy
LITURGIST: Lisa Baker
CHILDREN'S TIME: None
JUNIOR CHURCH: Meredith Bulgrien & Marilyn Jones
NURSERY: Gwen Newell
YOUTH GROUP: Bryan Nelson/Pastor Trevor

Sunday, Nov 8, 2026

MUSIC: Jessica Maldonado and Faith Singers
A/V TECH: Dennis Meck, Sr.
ANNOUNCEMENTS: Christina Street
GREETERS: Marilyn Jones & Linda Swank
USHERS: Marilyn Jones & Linda Swank
LITURGIST: Christina Street
CHILDREN'S TIME: Amy Boughter
JUNIOR CHURCH: Eric Byers & Allen Kennedy
NURSERY: Ann Byers
YOUTH GROUP: Bryan Nelson/Pastor Trevor

***Bryan and Pastor Trevor need your help chaperoning the youth nights. If you can help give these teens and pre-teens a solid Faith Base, please sign up in the hallway. We also need help feeding and hydrating these kids. We also appreciate your supportive gifts of teen-friendly foods and fellowship-fare!**

Reminder: If you cannot serve in a position for a week you signed up, we need you to find a substitute and inform the office. The church office cannot look for replacements. Thank you for your cooperation!

NOVEMBER CELEBRATIONS:

BIRTHDAYS: Marilyn Jones, Annette McClarigan, Natalie Statler, Gayle Saunders, Abby Norman,
Bob Schroeder, Jason Martin

ANNIVERSARIES: Steve & Wendy Schroeder, Dick & Peg Burley

UPCOMING EVENTS:

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 Dec. If you wish to participate, please donate shoe boxes, Post-it notes, highlighters, travel-size tissues, snack crackers, granola bars, popcorn or hot chocolate mix by Nov 22. We will be packaging the items and wrapping the boxes on Nov 29 after worship**.**

November 1st ALL SAINTS SUNDAY: We will honor those loved ones that have passed away in the last year. Please email/drop off a photo of your loved one(s) Sunday, October 25 and include their full name and dates of birth and death. We will have a slideshow to honor them during the service. We may have photos from an obituary on file. Please contact us to check and let us know if you want us to use them.

November 8th VETERANS DAY: We will honor our church members and their family who have served in the armed services. Please email/drop off a photo of your Veteran(s) to the church no later than Sunday, November 1 and include their full name, their military branch, and rank. We will have a slideshow honoring their service. If you sent us service members' photos last year, we have those on file. Please just let us know if you want us to use them or if you have new ones and if their rank has changed.



Hanging of the Greens

Sunday, November 22nd immediately following the service! A wonderful time of the year for our church family to gather and decorate our church. Lunch is included, please let Carol or Melodie know. Please mark your calendar

December 5th SECRET SISTER REVEAL!

Save the date ladies, details coming soon!

Check out Adult VBS Article:

Church finds connection to its present with a blast from the past: an adult VBS | Eastern PA Conference of the UMC

https://tinyurl.com/ybfb9dak

ONGOING EVENTS:

Sundays:	Adult Sunday School, 9AM Worship/Junior Church 10:30AM Youth Group 5-7PM
1st Sundays:	Communion Sunday with fellowship following.
1st & 3rd Tues.	Nar-Anon, 7:15-8:45PM
Tuesdays	Women's Bible Study, Parlor, 6-7:30PM
2nd Tuesdays	OCUMC Church Council 7PM
Wednesdays	Mixed Bible Study, 10AM adult classroom Worship Team Practice, 6PM
1st Wednesdays	Ladies' Lunch, Oregon Dairy, 11:30AM
Thursdays	Wing & a Prayer AA Meeting 10AM Fellowship Hall Girl Scouts (once a month) 5-6:30PM
1st Thursdays	Staff Parish Relations (SPRC), 6PM
3rd Thursdays	Men's Lunch, Oregon Dairy 11:30 AM Finance Team, (Even Months), 6PM
4th Thursdays	Trustees (Even Months), 6PM Church Council (Odd Months), 6PM **Moved to 3rd Thursday Nov 2026**
1st Saturdays	Good Works Guild 9AM-12 PM
2nd odd Sat.	AL-ANON Dist. Leader Meeting

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS:

(See the announcements for more info and links)

Sunday, Nov 1	Care Packages for Millersville
Tuesday, Nov 3	**NO** Women's Bible Study 6PM Election Day: Faith is a Polling Place 6AM-9PM
Wednesday, Nov 4	Mixed Bible Study 10AM Ladies Lunch 11:30 @ Oregon Dairy Worship Team 6PM
Thursday, Nov 5	**SPRC** Meeting 6PM
Saturday, Nov 7	**Good Works Guild** 9AM-12PM
Saturday, Nov 14th	**OCUMC Holiday Bazaar**: 8AM-1PM Picture with Turkey, kid crafts, Santa letter writing station

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES:
9AM AT OREGON COMMUNITY UMC & 10:30AM ONLINE AND AT FAITH UMC

HEALTH PROTOCOLS: Masks are optional. We reserve one row along the back kitchen side of the sanctuary for people who desire to mask and choose to sit with other people who are masked with more spacing.

WE BROADCAST OUR 10:30 AM SUNDAY WORSHIP LIVE ONLINE:

You can view our entire catalog of videos on our new YouTube Channel https://tinyurl.com/39rcdu6a **with the handle: @FaithUMCLititz**

By Website: Click on **"Online Worship" section of** www.FaithUMC.us and www.OregonCommunityUMC.us.

Bulletins & Links to Scriptures will be available on the website so that you can follow along from home.

PRAYER REQUESTS: You may send prayer requests or needs to Pastor Trevor at trevorlwebster@gmail.com and he will share those during the service. We also have prayer cards in the red pew pads to fill out and place in the altar tray.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:.

SAFE SANCTUARY / MANDATED REPORTER TRAINING: Everyone who works with children, youth, and other vulnerable people through the ministries of our church **must ANNUALLY complete training to identify and report abuse as a Mandated Reporter.** There is an online training that is available if you have not already done that training at work or in some other forum. The Commonwealth's approved online course is at: **https://www.reportabusepa.pitt.edu/. We need a certificate of completion to be turned into the church office ASAP.** If you have this through your employer it can be submitted to the office and is acceptable.

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

SIGN UP SHEETS: We have sheets in the hallway for many opportunities to "***get to work!"*** You can choose to sign up to bring the youth a **meal for youth night**, be a **greeter or usher** during worship, rock babies or play with little ones in the **nursery**, teach or help teach the **Junior Church** kiddos a weekly lesson or pick from any number of different ways to serve our great big, little church family.

We currently have a great need for additional help with our younger congregants in Children's Time, Junior Church, the Nursery and Youth Nights.

POST A REVIEW OF FAITH UMC to spread the word about our church. We have met so many people seeking a church home and some who have wandered. Many of them look online at various websites AND online reviews. By posting online reviews to pages like Google, you can help them find us and, if The Spirit moves them, maybe they'll find a new church home with us.

You can post on your favorite review site or via Google: https://tinyurl.com/3668mns8 You don't have to have Gmail, but you may have to follow the prompts.

FINANCIAL UPDATE: FINANCIAL UPDATE:

As of September 30, your generosity has generated $129,651.75 in gifts against the church's incurred $153,571.80 in expenses. This leaves us with a deficit of $23,920.05 currently. For us to meet our obligations, we need the weekly tithes and offerings to average $4200.00. Currently, we average around 25% of that goal.

Our general account checking balance is around $13,000. The Mortgage/Debt Reduction account balance is roughly $1,150 toward the remaining mortgage debt of approx. $375,000. We have nearly $66,800 saved in other, restricted funds that we can only use for specific purposes and not daily operations.

As you consider what to give, we ask that you consider dividing your offering with 3/4 allocated to our General Ministry Fund and 1/4 allocated to our Mortgage or Debt Reduction Fund. If you need assistance setting up automatic payments or deciding how you can best support your church and its ministry or missions, please reach out to the office, any finance team member, or Pastor Trevor.

If you are interested in learning more about the finances of Faith UMC, the Finance team meets the 3rd Thursday of the month at 6pm on even months (next being December 17th) and all are welcome to attend.

As always, we welcome your generosity in the collection plate as it goes by on Sunday mornings, or you can choose to donate online by scanning the *QR Code* or through our Online Giving at:

www.FaithUMC.US

FINANCIAL PLANNING: Did you know that you could leave a gift to the church in your will—along with a testimony that shares a statement of faith with your family and friends? You can also donate to the church through your annual Required Minimum Distributions from investments—and benefit from this as a tax-sheltered donation. There are many ways to give beyond just your traditional income that may provide benefits to you. ***If you would like more info, please contact Pastor Trevor who can help put you in touch with financial resources.***

BIBLE STUDIES AND SMALL GROUPS:

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL AT 9AM in the Adult Classroom.

NURSERY (1-3 years old) **& JUNIOR CHURCH** (4-years-old - 4th grade) are offered during the 10:30AM Worship Service. Please sign your child in on arrival & get a numbered badge. *The Nursery is available at 10:30AM.* **Junior Church students 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. **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for these programs.** 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. **Please sign up on the sheet in the hallway to provide a meal.** ***We are looking for additional adults to assist Bryan Nelson and Pastor Trevor.***

TUESDAY EVENING WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY from 6-7:30PM.
Meet in the Parlor-**NONE FOR 10/23 & 11/03**

WEDNESDAY MORNING MIXED BIBLE STUDY – 10AM IN THE FAITH ADULT CLASSROOM. Please join us in the education wing. Most weeks we cover the previous week's sermon and scriptures and discuss how they impact our faith and daily lives. All are welcome! The pastor provides a review guide in the narthex for you to take home for the study session or just to dive into the day's message.

OUR MILITARY FRIENDS AND MEMBERS:

We thank you for praying for and supporting our members' and friends' military service. When we have active members or deployed Reservists/Guardsmen, we encourage you to write letters, send cards or even modest care packages to them at their addresses below. If you have an armed forces member you would like to include on this list, or you would like to make a correction, please call the church office or email faithumc@hotmail.com with the subject line "Soldier."

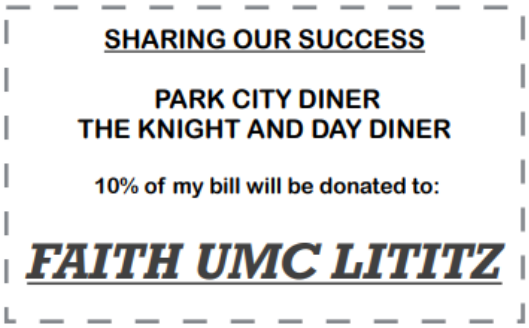
MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES:

FAITH UMC WORSHIP TEAM: The Faith UMC choir and Worship Team would love to add new voices and instruments to its talent pool. If you sing, play any number of musical instruments from guitar/bass guitar, piano (if the Lovely Jessica needs a weekend off), or even our recently reconditioned organ and beyond, please feel free to stop by. No audition is necessary. **The Worship Team meets every Wednesday at 6PM.** We only ask that you be ready to make a joyful noise unto the Lord and be respectful of the time and those gathered to do so. Those are the only rules.

PRAYER SHAWLS & LAP ROBES AVAILABLE: Perhaps you or someone you know would appreciate the comfort of a prayer shawl or quilt. **Please help yourself to a prayer shawl from the rack in the hall** and sign the sheet attached to the rack. **You are invited to knit, crochet, or quilt prayer shawls for this ministry.** Each month we deliver prayer shawls and lap quilts to nursing homes, hospice centers, hospitals, etc.. We do request that these shawls remain on the rack during worship. You may take one home or to a shut-in. We have provided shawls in the sanctuary if the AC is too much or if the heat isn't enough. Thanks for understanding.

NO COST TO YOU FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITIES:

THE *PARK CITY* AND *KNIGHT & DAY* DINERS want to give back to the community by offering their **"SHARING OUR SUCCESS"** (SOS) Program to local non-profits. During checkout, at either diner, **please ask the cashier to donate 10 % of your sale to *Faith UMC Lititz*.** There are cards available in the hall. The card does not need to be presented, but please give the name as specified to avoid confusion.



FOR COMMUNITY AID DONATIONS: Community Aid will donate $.13 to Faith UMC for every pound of clothing, shoes, electronics, toys, & household goods donated--including gently used furniture (contact the store before donating large furniture). Their retail store is at 31 Rohrerstown Road, Lancaster. The donation center entrance is on Good Drive and is open Mon – Sat, 9AM-6PM. ***Our partner number is 10221.*** **Make sure to tell the staff** at the door that you're there to credit your donations to a Nonprofit Partner - Faith United Methodist Church **before they unload**. It is helpful to tape a note with our partner number to the outside of the bag or place it inside each bag.

SUPPORT SERVICES:

CHURCH SUPPORT: If you or someone you know is in need, please contact Pastor Trevor at (717) 813-0603 or trevorlwebster@gmail.com. We are here to help, whether there is a need for prayer, a phone call, delivery of food or supplies, financial support, ETC… Perhaps there are tangible things that you need help with at your home. There are many people who are willing to help, and we simply need to know where there are needs.

HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES HELP:

1) **The Disaster Distress Helpline**, Call1-800-985-5990 or text TalkWithUs to 66746 to reach a 24/7, 365-day-a-year, national hotline dedicated to providing immediate crisis counseling for people who are experiencing emotional distress related to any natural or human-caused disaster.

2) **Dial 2-1-1** or 855-501-6785 to reach the **United Way Call Center** which can direct you to social service organizations to provide help. You may also visit http://www.pa211east.org/Lancaster or http://www.211.org for more info.

3) If someone is in crisis, suffering from **severe depression or is suicidal**, you can also call **Lancaster County Crisis Intervention Lifeline: 717-394-2631 or the NATIONAL SUICIDE CRISIS HOTLINE by dialing: *9-8-8***

SEE THE VARIOUS FOOD MINISTRIES WHERE YOU CAN RECEIVE GROCERIES AND MEALS THAT ARE LISTED ABOVE IN THE "OTHER MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES." CONTACT 211 ONLINE FOR A DIRECTORY OF SERVICES FOR FOOD, CLOTHING, HOUSING, HEALTH SERVICES ETC…

WEBSITES OF INTEREST:

Faith United Methodist Church: www.FaithUMC.us
Oregon Community United Methodist Church: www.OregonCommunityUMC.us
West District of EPA Conference: https://www.epaumc.org/districts/west/
Local UM Church Events: https://www.epaumc.org/category/local-church/local-church-events/
Eastern Pennsylvania Conference of The United Methodist Church: http://www.epaumc.org
The United Methodist Church: http://www.umc.org
The World Methodist Council: http://worldmethodistcouncil.org/
LUMINA (Lancaster United Methodist Inner-City Alliance): http://www.luminaoutreach.org

OUR UNIVERSAL CONCERNS:

God's Universal Church
Laity and Clergy of the UMC
Our Bishop, DS & EPA Staff as they lead us
Healing & peace for divisions over race, class, gender, sexuality, politics & fears
Wisdom & safety for world leaders
For peace & wisdom globally in areas of conflict
Peace and health to Veterans.
Strength and safety to Those who serve our nation and their leaders at home and abroad.
Our own friends and members in Active, Guard, or Reserve military service.
First Responders and their families.
Victims & families of violent crime, discrimination & abuses in all forms.
Abusers and their families
Relief from nature's wrath and diseases' corruption
Stewardship of our environment & climate
Refugees & huddled masses yearning to be free
Security and immigration reform
The hungry and unhoused.
Prisoners, Prison Leadership, Judges & Attorneys
The incarcerated or recently released.
Teachers, Students, Families, & Campus ministries
Members of AA, NA, & AlAnon and their families
Those caring for the sick
Those grieving loss.
Udobo School in Durban, South Africa,NarSarah Village and Clinic, Sierra Leone

OUR OWN PRAYERS:

Those with cancer: Cyndi Campbell, Dean Grove, Mark Reitzel, Duane Lehman, Ruthie, Martin Campbell, Dorcas Kamanda, Adam Malik, Joan (Nancy's sister-in-law), 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); Craig friend of Bob Lawrence; **and those unnamed and undiagnosed but to God.**
Mary Shenk for Alzheimer's
Peggy Burley regaining strength
Garnett Knippenberg-Rehab
Patte Lund, friend of Diana, multiple myeloma
Sandy Patschke – health
Kathy Brandyberry healing from kidney stones
Melodie Dearolf, heart palpitations, back and knee pains.
Bob Black continuing treatment for lung cancer, once a month Immunotherapy
Priscilla Rice – comfort from lung cancer complications and for healing.
Marilyn Jones prayers for family members' healing concerns
Mike Herr (dad of Lauren Pennell) and family as Mike was diagnosed with beginning stage of Alzheimer's.
Kathy Oberholtzer's daughter's friend Rob, healing
Pastor Trevor's Father, Terry's Passing. Peace for Pastor Trevor, Kat, Ben & AJ and family
Terry Kofroth health concerns
Catherine Knezevic emailed us to pray for healing for her daughter Amber, 26 years old with stage 4 cancer
Eric, friend of Natalie Statler's struggling with alcohol addiction
Dylan Kipp for healing , his dad Pastor Larry Kipp & family
Daryl Hawthorne's cousin Betsy who lost her battle with cancer after 10 years and left 2 young sons and husband and was only 49

WE PRAISE GOD FOR:

The Faith UMC Prayer Team
Those healing from medical, surgical, and mental health treatments.
For the servant hearts who help others and the church
Jason Martin to serve at Christiana UMC
Dean Johnson, friend of Diana
Valentine who after a long search has found a new job

Matthew 5:16 — *Let Your Light Shine* "In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven."

Reflection: The saints among us may never be famous or recognized. Their holiness shines through ordinary acts of kindness, compassion, generosity, and service.

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

FAITH UMC OFFICE INFORMATION :

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http://www.FaithUMC.us
Facebook as Faith UMC (https://www.facebook.com/faith.umc.1)

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FROM THE PASTOR: I like to keep fairly regular office hours Monday-Thursday and Sunday afternoons. If we don't have youth group, I'll probably head out on Sundays around 2:00PM, otherwise, I'll be available until 5:00PM on Sundays. You should find me in the office or the church from 10AM to 4:30PM Monday to Thursday. If you don't, I'm probably out visiting someone or on the rare occasion, working from home. Call or text my cell. I am here to serve YOU. - PT

We check MESSAGES left for the office at 717-560-0321 or email: faithumc@hotmail.com, Monday through Thursday from 11AM-2PM. IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY contact Pastor Trevor directly at **717-813-0603** or TrevorLWebster@gmail.com and leave a detailed message.

EMERGENCIES AND HOSPITAL VISITS: Please let Pastor Trevor know that you have had a medical emergency. He encourages you to call or text him with notes about hospitalizations and emergencies. Please do not email with first-time emergency information. **PLEASE leave a detailed message letting him know what has happened, whether you would like a visit or phone call, and whether you would like this information shared in the prayer list, with the members on the prayer chain, distributed to the Shepherding Team, or any combination of the three. Let us SERVE you. HELP us serve you.**

WEEKLY PUBLICATIONS: Submissions to Faith-A-Gram and bulletin will be **accepted until Tuesday at 12 PM.** We cannot guarantee including articles received later in the current week's newsletter. **Also, sometimes we can't include everything. We have to edit for space, time, and clarity.** If you have questions on why any particular announcement was or was not included, the pastor makes all final determinations what announcements we can or cannot include. Please place your announcement requests in the office mailbox or, preferably for time and clarity, please email faithumc@hotmail.com with the subject line "Faith-a-Gram Submission."

Please keep all announcements to 50-75 words written exactly as you would like printed. All announcements, if included in multiple publications or online outlets, will appear identically. We will make exceptions to length and platform variances for committee and/or major event announcements as appropriate, necessary, and as they arise.

We always welcome updates to the distribution list for the Faith-a-Gram mailing list. If you or someone you know wants this informative newsletter, has a new email, wants ***REMOVEDFROM*** the list, or hasn't gotten since you can't remember when, please email faithumc@hotmail.com with the subject line "Update My Faith-a-Gram" or leave a message with the church office. Thank you!

We love to see your smiling faces more than just on Sunday mornings! We'd like to update our Servant Keeper database and our Church Directory with family and individual pictures. We have new friends and members – like the pastor, some of our *LEGACY* members have aged like fine communion wine, and some of the youth are in high school so their kindergarten pictures don't cut it anymore. We would LOVE new photos of all of you, including the pastor (looking at you PT)! Contact the office to submit a photo or let us take a new one for you!

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– PASTOR TREVOR WEBSTER