

Faith & Oregon Community United Methodist Churches



April 19, 2020 at 10:30AM – First Sunday of Easter

WELCOME FRIENDS: We have come together to worship God and to love one another. Today we remember the resurrection of Jesus, our Messiah—remembering that he chose to come and live among us, was willing to even die on the cross for us, and then rose from the dead to redeem our souls. While we are worshiping online, we also are aware that we are not alone—for the Holy Spirit has gathered us together across space and time. You are welcome in this sacred space no matter who you are; from where you have come; or what experiences, struggles, questions or gifts you bring. We are glad you are here...and hope you find what you need in today's service. May God bless you!

GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Jason

So that we can track attendance, please sign into the Online Facebook Video Stream by Reacting (a Like or Love), by posting a comment in the Facebook Feed, or by sending an email to JBPerkowski@gmail.com.

Let us know who all watched the video with you and send in any prayer requests that we can lift up.

A TIME FOR CENTERING & PRAYER

CALL TO WORSHIP

Those who have been redeemed, those who have a mind to serve God with a pure heart, those who love the name of the Risen Christ, come and worship!

We have come to be renewed! We have come to be refreshed!

We have come to be revived!

Those who have come to testify about the marvelous deeds, signs, and wonders we have witnessed in our lives, in the church, in the community, in the world . . .

We have come to tell the story of Jesus and his love!

We have been freed from sin and death!

We have come rejoicing with glorious joy!

We have a right to sing, shout, dance, pray, and praise the Living CHRIST until

WE are changed and the will of God is done.

Let us celebrate the loved and the familiar.

Let us love the stranger in our midst.

Let your will be done in our lives

Lord, send us a revival.

(from *UMCDiscipleship.org*)

HYMN

Easter People, Raise Your Voices

UMH #304

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalm 16

Charles Valentine

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

CHILDREN'S TIME

SPECIAL MUSIC

Whispering Hope
Written by Septimus Winner

Liz Hornberger

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Acts 2:14a, 22-32
This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!

Charles Valentine

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

Pastor Jason & God's People
UMH #895

HYMN

He Lives

UMH #310 v.1&3

SCRIPTURE LESSON

1 Peter 1:3-9
This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!

Charles Valentine

SERMON

A Living Hope
Sermon Series: Boldly and Bravely Devoted to an Easter Life

Pastor Jason

HYMN

Thine Be the Glory

UMH #308

BENEDICTION

Pastor Jason

This morning's Pianist: Liz Hornberger

Faith Worship Team Director: Phil Buchanan; **Faith Instrumentalists:** Dolly Bankert Haar, Liz Hornberger, Brian Kohler, Nick Margerum & **the Faith Singers.** **OCUMC Pianist:** Jody Norton

Audio / Visual Technology: Dennis Meck, Sr. & Bryan Nelson

Pastor: The Rev. Jason Perkowski **Ministers:** The People of God

Explore our websites at FaithUMC.US and OregonCommunityUMC.US for more information about our churches and ministries.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

OFFERING TITHES & GIFTS TO THE LORD

If you are able to make an offering to our ministries, we encourage you to do so. If you are facing economic uncertainties, we understand that you may not be able to give at this time—and encourage you to let us know how we can help you. You can mail gifts to the churches, give online via the “Online Giving” Button at FaithUMC.US, or have your bank mail your donations.

JUNIOR CHURCH ZOOM SESSION AT 9:30 AM EACH SUNDAY

Kids up to 4th Grade are invited to join the Junior Church online with Julie Hassara after this morning’s worship. You can see the teacher and other students by video. We are also sending out weekly activity pages by email. If you are interested please email us at faithumc@hotmail.com.

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/484986057>

YOUTH MINISTRY ZOOM SESSIONS AT 5 PM EACH SUNDAY

Youth in 5th-12th grade are invited to join us for weekly youthgroup online:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/421338708?pwd=ZmxzNUplEUXN5aTNIWIR1bEpST0dWdz09>

FRIDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY AT 10AM

We are resuming our weekly Bible Study online using Zoom. Youth and adults are welcome to join us. Each week we will study the scriptures from the weekly lectionary (available at <https://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/texts.php?id=42>). You can join us for this interactive session (you will be able to see and hear one another) via Zoom by logging in at:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83172825482?pwd=MEFDTVBBQIRIYjRoTm9zcGMyalB1dz09>

Meeting ID: 831 7282 5482 **Password:** 351077

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PASTORAL ENCOURAGEMENT & SUNDAY SERVICES

Each Sunday we will have church online via Facebook Live at 10:30AM. You can also see videos of encouragement during the week from Pastor Jason. These are all publicly available whether or not you have Facebook via the links on the “Sermons” Page at FaithUMC.US.

SPECIAL MUSIC OR SCRIPTURE READERS: If you are interested in recording special music for use during the online worship service or to record yourself reading the scriptures, please let Pastor Jason know. These would be nice ways to help folks be able to connect with the church family that they are missing.

PRAYER REQUESTS:

OUR CONCERNS:

The UMC and the delegates to 2021 General Conference as we seek to find a way to make space for all people to be welcomed in God’s kingdom and to address theological differences around human sexuality
President Donald Trump & VP Michael Pence
Presidential and Legislative candidates
All government & military officials and their staff from the US & other nations: wisdom & safety
Veterans and Service Members
Civilians, leaders, and soldiers in war torn regions
Victims of “religious,” white supremacist and racist bombings and shootings, esp. in churches, mosques, synagogues, and schools globally
For peace & wisdom in areas of conflict
Police officers and their families
Individuals & families of those harmed in interactions with police
First responders, emergency personnel, and medical staff caring for people in traumatic situations
For an end to violence and wrath—including gun violence, domestic violence, terrorism, and weapons of mass destruction
Victims & families involved in violent crime, sexual abuse and harassment
Abusers and their families
Repentance from (hetero)sexism & racism
Healing & peace for divisions caused by race, class, gender, sexuality, politics & fears
All affected by the volcanoes, hurricanes, floods, earthquakes, fires, and mudslides
Refugees & huddled masses yearning to be free
People who are hungry and homeless
Security and immigration reform
Prisoners & Prison Leadership
Schools & Education Reform
Members of AA, NA, & AlAnon
Those struggling with addictions, finances, etc.
Those suffering from depression, suicidal ideation, and other mental health issues
Persons in nursing homes
All those caring for sick loved ones
Those grieving the loss of loved ones
Wisdom around natural resources and the environment
Eradication of deadly diseases
Parents raising children—esp. new parents
Bishop Johnson, the EPAUMC Staff, and District Superintendent BK Chung and appointments
Coleman Memorial Chapel & Rev. Beverly Andrews
Rev. Dorcas, her UMC ministries in Sierra Leone, and her

Udobo School in Durban, South Africa
Campus Ministry: Ed Weber & the United Campus Ministry at Millersville; Rev. David Piltz & Rev. Diana Senposito at Drexel & West Chester; Rev. Dr. Mel Sensenig & Rev. Ibrahim Bangura at Albright; Rev. Dan Lebo at Lebanon Valley
Charlotte Garfield
Sherry Guard – recovery from broken back
Brian and Tina Grimm – health & jobs
Becky, Angela and Maria Rodriguez – custody
Becky Rodriguez – kidney failure & dialysis
Phil Buchanan – strength & healing in legs/back
Dottie Sheaffer – healing for back
Harry & Ella Buchanan – strength & healing
Eileen Williams – healing for muscles
Shelda’s granddaughter Bella’s health
Bradley McGowan – ALS
Linda Philbin – multi-focal motor neuropathy
Donna Parmer – ongoing medical conditions
Those with cancer: inc. Joanne Osborn, Cyndi Campbell, Dean Grove, Mark Reitzel, Brian Rhodes, Pat Shenk, Kerry Link, Trish Allyn
Rosemary (Marilyn Jones’ sister) – healing
Noah Boughter – wisdom, safety and recovery
Brenda, Dave and Mike Loechner – stresses
Mike Loechner – recovering from COVID-19
Mary’s siblings: Eva and David
Diana Valentine – strength, peace and healing
Annette McClarigan & family
Willem Vanhuystee & family
Ptryk Reksinska – healing
Curt & Sandy O’Brien (Rhonda’s parents) – healing
Carl Jones – strength & healing
Bill Heinaman – strength & healing
The people of Puerto Rico, Jamaica and other places affected by earthquakes
Kristin Reifsnnyder
Don Klos
Aimee
Residents and staff of Nursing Homes—and their families as they are quarantined
Pastor Jim’s Aunt Margaret
Margaret “Holly” Perkowski
Students & Teachers of all ages
Workers – those still reporting to jobsites, those learning to telecommute, and those who lost jobs
COVID-19 Virus Patients & Healthcare Workers
Scientists and Engineers working on cures and devices

OUR PRAISES:

God’s presence through illness and struggle
Family and friends
A church that welcomes all people