

# Faith & Oregon Community United Methodist Churches



March 21, 2021 at 10:30AM – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent

**W**ELCOME FRIENDS: We gather together to worship God: The Father, The Son, & The Holy Spirit. You are welcome in this space no matter who you are; from where you have come; or what experiences, struggles, questions or talents you bring. We are so glad you are here and hope that you find what you came seeking!

## GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Jason

Please 'sign in' by liking or commenting on the video or sending an email to [JBPerkowski@gmail.com](mailto:JBPerkowski@gmail.com). Let us know who watched the video with you and send in any prayer requests that we can lift up.

## A TIME FOR CENTERING & PRAYER

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Jason & God's People

We are alive to see this new day – Shout hallelujah my brothers and sisters.

**Hallelujah! We are God's people.**

Behold, the Lord has made a new covenant with us. Our hearts and minds will be renewed and restored. Rejoice and be glad for now we will know and see God's awesome power more clearly.

**Hallelujah! We are God's people.**

Christ writes the law of love on our hearts.

**We are children of the living God.**

Together, let us worship the Lord of Love! **Amen**

(Cynthia Bond Hopson, *The Africana Worship Book for Year B, Discipleship Resources*, 2007, p. 58 & Amy Loving, and posted on *The Worship Closet: The Place for Creative Worship Ideas* adapted from these resources as found on [UMCDiscipleship.org](http://UMCDiscipleship.org))

### SCRIPTURE LESSON

Jeremiah 31:31-34

Tom Chapman

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

### HYMN

*Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

UMH #140

### 36<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY SUNDAY

**MOMENT OF CELEBRATION**

### HYMN

*Hymn of St. Patrick*

TITHES AND OFFERINGS OF PRAYERS, PRESENCE, GIFTS, SERVICE & WITNESS  
THE PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

UMH #895

### SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalms 51:1-12

Tom Chapman

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

### HYMN

*Just as I Am, Without One Plea*

UMH #357 v. 1, 2, 3 & 5

### CHILDREN'S TIME

Pastor Jason

### SCRIPTURE LESSON

John 12:20-33

Tom Chapman

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

### HYMN

*Ah, Holy Jesus*

UMH #289

### SCRIPTURE LESSON

Hebrews 5:5-10

Tom Chapman

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

### SERMON

*Rend Your Hearts: Claiming the Promise  
Written on The Heart*

Pastor Jason

### HYMN

*Victory in Jesus*

UMH #370

### BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH

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OCUMC Pianist: Jody Wiker & Cellist, Guitar and Vocals: Anthony Wiker

Faith Worship Team Director: Phil Buchanan Faith Instrumentalists: Liz Hornberger & Dolly Bankert

Audio / Visual Technology: Bryan Nelson

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

Explore [OregonCommunityUMC.US](http://OregonCommunityUMC.US) & [FaithUMC.US](http://FaithUMC.US) for more info about our churches.

WORSHIP SERVICES ARE BROADCAST at FM 89.9 each Sunday at 10:30AM as well as on Facebook Live through the churches' and Pastor's Facebook pages & church websites.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**JR CHURCH AT 9:30 AM EACH SUNDAY:** Kids up to 4<sup>th</sup> Grade may join us *via Zoom* with Julie Hassara. We are emailing activity pages *and the password*. If interested, email [faithumc@hotmail.com](mailto:faithumc@hotmail.com).

**FELLOWSHIP TIME BY ZOOM EACH SUNDAY, 11:45 AM - 12:15 PM** after worship  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88148879997?pwd=ZnBzeDRPMmpBTlBUb1VwaGRWZko4dz09>

**YOUTH GROUP, SUNDAYS, 5-7 PM** (in person or by Zoom w/link sent by text message). **On 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays (March 21)** youth go to Gretna Glen, leaving Faith UMC at 1:30PM & back by 5PM. Wear a mask & dress warmly. RSVP & permission slips required.

**BIBLE STUDY** led by Amy Boughter on Wednesdays at 6:30 PM in Faith UMC Welcome Center.  
**BIBLE STUDY** led by Mike Shifflet on Wednesdays at 6:30 PM at Oregon Community UMC.  
*Masks & distancing are required.*

**FRIDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY BY ZOOM AT 10 AM:** We discuss the scriptures from the [Common Lectionary](http://CommonLectionary.org). Join us: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83172825482>.

**PASTOR JASON & CAROL OFFICE HOURS:** We are sometimes telecommuting. Contact us directly:  
**Pastor Jason:** (717)333-9238 / [jbperkowski@gmail.com](mailto:jbperkowski@gmail.com). **Office:** (717)560-0321 / [faithumc@hotmail.com](mailto:faithumc@hotmail.com)

**SPECIAL NEEDS:** If someone has needs the church can support, please contact Pastor Jason. You can also dial 2-1-1 or visit [www.211.org](http://www.211.org) to reach the **United Way Call Center** who can direct you to social service organizations. You can also reach the **Crisis Intervention Lifeline: 717-394-2631**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**CHATTING CLUB: MONDAYS AT 7 PM BY ZOOM** at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86190453518>.

**This Week's Topic:** *Pope Francis Visits Battered Christians in Iraq, the First Time Any Pope Has Gone to That Country.* Join in our discussion as we reflect on how to love our enemies and what that actually looks like today. For more info: [www.Chattingatthegeneralsutter.us](http://www.Chattingatthegeneralsutter.us)

**BREAKFAST W/ THE EASTER BUNNY: On Sat, March 27<sup>th</sup> we'll host a drive-thru pancake & sausage breakfast from 8-10am.** Meet the Easter Bunny & do a scavenger hunt from the comfort of your own vehicle. There will be treats and take-home activities for kids! Pre-Orders are suggested. When ordering, indicate # of meals, if you want sausage, # of children, and your arrival time (8-9am or 9-10am). More info is in the Faith-a-gram & website. **Contact the office if you would like to volunteer to help.**

**HOLY WEEK SERVICES: Please stay tuned for additional details/links for Holy Week.** We will have Sunday morning services at 10:30AM for Palm Sunday. There will be a 7pm Maundy Thursday and 7pm Good Friday shared services at Long Memorial UMC. We will offer a Sunrise Service at 6:30AM and a 10:30 Easter Service on April 4 at Faith UMC both outside and online. **More details at FaithUMC.US**

**OFFERING TITHES & GIFTS TO THE LORD:** You can direct gifts to the churches in four areas: **General Ministry, Debt Reduction/Building Fund, the Benevolence Funds** or the **Community Care Ministry** (which is sent to three local food ministries). Mark your preference clearly in the memo. **You can mail a check** to Faith UMC, 1290 Fruitville Pike, Lititz PA 17543 or Oregon Community UMC, 1214 Creek Rd, Lititz, PA 17543 or **donate digitally through the churches' websites.**

**UMCOR SUNDAY:** You can donate to cover the administrative costs of "United Methodist Committee on Relief" so that when disaster strikes 100% of donations can be used for direct aide. You may give online by [clicking here](#) & selecting "UMCOR Sunday" or mail a check to Faith UMC with UMCOR in the memo. You can learn more and donate to current UMCOR projects at <https://umcmmission.org/umcor/>

**UMC SUMMER CAMPS** are gearing up for an exciting spring and summer. To get more information and to register for summer camp go to [www.gretnaglen.org](http://www.gretnaglen.org) or another camp. *Camp scholarships are available.*

**DOWNTOWN FOOD MINISTRY:** We are providing meals, toiletries, blankets, etc. for people who are homeless at 2pm on the Saturday before Communion Sunday. To help, contact Diana at 717-435-8577. We need people to cook, prepare donations, deliver food, etc. **WISH LIST:** cough drops, travel size toothpaste, individually wrapped panty liners and feminine cleansing wipes. Place donations in the "drop-off box" by the front door. **WISH LIST: [https://smile.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/dl/invite/5zDLQnj?ref\\_=wl\\_share](https://smile.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/dl/invite/5zDLQnj?ref_=wl_share) If you shop on AmazonSmile for this (or for yourself) & select Manheim Township Faith United Methodist as your charitable organization, they'll get a percentage of your purchase (no cost to you).**

**SERVANT SATURDAY:** On the Saturday before Communion Sunday (**April 3**), we are asking everyone to make an effort to show God's love to the world around you—giving of your time, talents and treasures locally or across the world. There is info on the church website with some suggestions to get you started.

**IMPACT! MISSIONS** is an interdenominational Christian Housing Ministry. They align homeowners in need of a warm, safe, and dry home with groups and individuals who are willing to serve to make that happen. Use your skills to help Impact! Missions restore houses for those in need. **Leon Bame volunteers on the first and third Saturdays and would love to have some people from Faith & Oregon Comm. UMC join him. For more info, please contact Leon at 717-344-9924 or leonshel37@gmail.com.**

**CREATE CARE PACKAGES TO GIVE TO MILLERSVILLE UNIVERSITY STUDENTS AT THE HUB MINISTRY** for their exam week. Donate shoe boxes, wrapping paper, highlighters, sticky notes, pens, pencils, cookies, candy, snack crackers, granola bars, popcorn, hot chocolate mix, etc. by Sun., March 29<sup>th</sup> in the drop-off box by the front door. Contact the office to volunteer to help package the goodies or wrap boxes.

## PRAYER REQUESTS:

### OUR CONCERNS:

The UMC and delegates to the 2021/2022 General Conference as we seek God's will regarding human sexuality & our mission to make disciples of Jesus  
President Joe Biden and VP Kamala Harris  
Wisdom & safety for all government officials and their staff- from the US & other nations  
Veterans and Service Members  
Civilians, leaders, and soldiers in war torn regions  
Victims of "religious," white supremacist and racist violence  
For peace & wisdom in areas of conflict  
Police officers and their families  
Individuals & families harmed in interactions with police  
First responders, emergency personnel, and medical staff  
For an end to violence—including gun violence, domestic violence, terrorism, & weapons of mass destruction  
Victims & families involved in violent crime, sexual abuse and harassment  
Abusers and their families  
Healing & peace for divisions caused by race, class, gender, sexuality, politics & fears  
All affected by natural disasters  
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 & mental health issues  
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—including COVID-19  
Bishop Johnson, the EPAUMC Staff, and DS BK Chung  
Coleman Memorial Chapel & Rev. Beverly Andrews  
Rev. Dorcas, her UMC ministries in Sierra Leone, and her husband Daniel's health  
Udobo School in Durban, South Africa  
Campus Ministry: Ed Weber at Millersville; Rev. David Piltz & Rev. Diana Esposito at Drexel & West Chester; Rev. Dr. Mel Sensenig & Rev. Ibrahim Bangura at Albright; & Lebanon Valley  
Becky, Angela and Maria Rodriguez – custody  
Becky Rodriguez – kidney failure & dialysis  
Phil Buchanan – strength & healing in legs/back  
Norm Whiteley (Ella's brother) – health  
Charlotte Garfield  
Dottie Sheaffer – healing for back  
Eileen Williams – muscles, healing, & search for new home  
Shelda's granddaughter Bella's health  
Bradley McGowan – ALS  
Linda Philbin – motor neuropathy & healing from shingles  
Donna Parmer – ongoing medical conditions  
Noah Boughter – wisdom, safety and recovery  
Annette McClarigan & family

Those with cancer: Cyndi Campbell, Dean Grove, Mark Reitzel, Pat Shenk, Kerry Link, Joe, John Rathvon, Glen (friend of Harbisons), Duane Lehman, Bob (Valente family), & Priscilla Rice  
Carl Jones – strength & healing and health of siblings  
Frank (Marilyn Jones's brother) – had back surgery  
Rosemary (Marilyn Jones' sister) – healing  
Heather Lindsey  
Michelle Rathvon Mitterer – healing from strokes  
Chuck Flory – ALS  
Darlene Brown – Abdominal surgery  
John – Cardiac Issues  
Laurie – Recovery from surgery  
Lorraine Jones - arthritis  
Kathleen (Shifflet) McDuffie—rheumatoid arthritis & hip pain  
Healthy pregnancy for Christi and Mark Shifflet  
Mike Shifflet's mom—physical therapy  
Neighbors of Shifflets  
Bob Jolly's parents  
Katie & Dustin Oakes in Japan  
Clarita – kidney issues  
All Impacted by COVID-19 – incl. Quinn, Leon Bame's mother, Harry (Smith's son-in-law), Ruthie, Deanna Brivchik, Ken, Dennis Meck Sr.'s mom, Marcia Eisenhour's Dad  
Sebastian—recovery  
Jason Hurst— grandson of Judy Hurst  
Sandy Patschke – healing after back surgery  
Sherry Guard  
Buni Harbison's father – ongoing need for healing  
Jenkins Family (Buni's granddaughter)—fire in a neighboring unit in their row home  
Jackie Black – continued healing  
Don Klos – ongoing healing and strengthening  
Erek Perkowski and his son Shaughn – custody  
Ray – recovering from Strokes  
Smith's nephew Mark with leukemia  
Janet – nodules in lungs  
Steven Valente – healing of heels after a fall  
Mike & Brenda Hardwig – healing  
Glenn Slater  
Grandview UMC as they disaffiliate from UMC  
The family of Harry Buchanan on his passing  
Margie & Terry Urban's granddaughter Analise  
Annette McClarigan – heart and shoulder problems  
The Pond family  
Family of Allen Bentley (friends of Garners) on his passing from COVID-19

### OUR PRAISES:

God's presence through illness and struggle  
Recent healing for so many from COVID-19  
So many people getting vaccinated  
Amy Boughter is officially cancer free