

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

SUNDAY WORSHIP IS IN THE SANCTUARY at 9:00 AM at Oregon Community UMC & BROADCAST at 10:30AM from Faith UMC on FM 89.9, Facebook Live & the church website.

COVID PROTOCOLS: Numbers of COVID cases in Lancaster County have increased to over 10-20 times their numbers from a month ago (from about 3-7 cases per day to 83 cases yesterday). So, we are asking everyone to **wear masks inside the building—including throughout the worship service. This is based on clear science as backed up by recommendations from the CDC and our Bishop.** Protocols will be relaxed again as we analyze the data and needs of our people. In the meantime, if you prefer you may watch services online. Please be patient & show grace as we navigate this pandemic.

BIBLE STUDIES: We have many opportunities available each week:

- **Youth Group on Sundays** at Faith UMC from **5-7 PM will resume on Sept. 12**
- **Wednesday Bible Study w/Mike Shifflet** at OCUMC at **6:30 PM in person**
- **Friday Bible Study** at Faith UMC at **10 AM in person (Michelle will teach this week)**

JR CHURCH AT 9:00 AM ON SUNDAY via Zoom for Kids 3 years old to 4th Grade. We email activity pages & *the password*. Email faithumc@hotmail.com to be added to list. On Sept. 5 we will resume in person Jr Church at 10:30AM at Faith UMC and the online format will end.

CHATTING CLUB: MONDAYS AT 7 PM via Zoom – No Meeting This Week

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Scripture Readers, Greeters/Ushers to pass out bulletins, register guests, take temperatures and help people find seats. **Clean Team** (to help clean the building each week). Contact Pastor Jason.

VBS: Thank you for the volunteers who provided an amazing VBS for 13 students. We had members from OCUMC as leaders and students this year!! Special thanks to VBS Director Carol Kennedy

SERVANT SATURDAY: On the Saturday before Communion Sunday, 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. **Sept 4 is our next Servant Saturday.** This includes helping with the

DOWNTOWN MINISTRY: We are providing meals, toiletries, blankets, etc. for people who are homeless on Servant Saturdays. To help, contact Diana Valentine at 717-435-8577. **We meet at 2pm.**

IMPACT! MISSIONS is a Christian Housing Ministry restoring and repairing homes for lower-income families To volunteer, contact **Leon Bame at 717-344-9924 or leonshel37@gmail.com.**

Thank you to the OCUMC members who manned a rest stop on the 2021 Chocolate Tour on Saturday. You showed amazing hospitality and took part in an event that raises thousands of dollars for Cancer Research.

DATE SAVER: HOLIDAY BAZAAR, Saturday, October 23 hosted by OCUMC at Faith UMC

OFFERINGS: You can direct gifts to the **General Ministry, Building, or Benevolence Funds.** Mark preferences clearly. **You can mail a check to OCUMC or donate digitally through our website.**

PASTOR JASON is on VACATION July 7-14. For Pastoral Care contact: Dot Lange at (215) 601-3131 / adplange@aol.com. She will contact Pastors Haldeman and McGrath if there are needs.

Welcome to

Oregon Community United Methodist Church



Address: 1214 Creek Road, Lititz, PA 17543

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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.”**

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August 8, 2021 at 9:00 AM – 11th Sunday after Pentecost

WELCOME: We have come together to worship God and to love one another. We are aware that the Holy Spirit has gathered us across space & time in this communion together. You're 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're here & hope you find what you need in the service. May you always be aware of the love of God the Father, Jesus the Son and The Holy Spirit!

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

There are offering plates by the doors to the sanctuary and the altar. You may also give online or by mail. Presenting our very selves as a living sacrifice is our good and pleasing act of spiritual worship (Rom. 12).

GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dot Lange

If you're worshipping online, please 'sign in' by commenting on the video & post prayer requests, too.

A TIME FOR CENTERING & PRAYER

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Dot Lange & God's People

Bread of life, you taught us to put away bitterness and anger, and with tenderhearted kindness to share the fruit of our labor with the needy.

Strengthen us by your grace, that in communion with you, we may forgive one another and live in love as Christ loved us. Amen.

(Revised Common Lectionary Prayers, <https://lectionary.library.vanderbilt.edu/prayers.php?id=214>)

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalm 130

Ian Solodky

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

*HYMN

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

UMH #474

THE PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

UMH #895

SCRIPTURE LESSON

2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33

Dot Lange

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

*HYMN

Have Thine Own Way, Lord

UMH #382

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Ephesians 4:25-5:2

Ian Solodky

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

*HYMN

Take My Life, and Let It Be

UMH #399

SCRIPTURE LESSON

John 6:35, 41-51

Dot Lange

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

SERMON

Discerning God's Will

Ian Solodky

BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH

*HYMN

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Ian Solodky

UMH #400

** Please stand if you are able*

IAN SOLODKY is our guest preacher of the day. He and his wife Sara are faithful members of Long Memorial UMC. Ian is continuing to explore his call as a preacher in the United Methodist Church. We are grateful for the word that he brings for us today.

Pianist: Jody Wiker

Bulletin: Dot Lange

Pastor: The Rev. Jason Perkowski

Ministers: The People of God

ALTAR FLOWERS: To place altar flowers in honor of a loved one, contact Joetta. Cost: \$35.

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS: Don Hess on the 20th

ANNIVERSARIES: Don and Jane Hess on the 20th

PRAYER REQUESTS: Don Klos after surgery; Jason, Julie, & Maria (as she has been returned back to Becky's home); Maria, Angela & Becky Rodriguez—for the daughters to thrive; Oaklee & Carson in Pastor Jason and Julie's care—and their parents and family; those with cancer—incl. Mary Kohler; Kathleen McDuffie—rheumatoid arthritis & hip pain; Mike Shifflet's mom and neighbors; Bob Jolly's parents; Katie & Dustin Oakes in Japan; Jackie Black; Erek Perkowski and his son Shaughn – custody; Pat Dietz – healing from a fall; Fred Hess – Physical Therapy; Rev. Dorcas healing for her eye; Family & friends of Ed Weber on his passing and The Hub Campus Ministry at Millersville U. where he served. **PRAISES:** God's presence through illness and struggle; slowing of pandemic; & Doris Cooper continuing to heal. **PRAYERS FOR THE WORLD:** The UMC and theological differences; leaders; veterans; service members, police and medical personnel; patients; victims of violence and racism; peace, wisdom and reconciliation; abused persons & abusers; all affected by disasters; refugees & immigrants; the hungry and homeless; prisoners; students, teachers and administration; those struggling with addictions and/or mental illness; seniors; the hospitalized; caregivers; those grieving the loss of loved ones; bishops, pastors and laity; our ministries; our community; & all affected by COVID-19 and the flu.