

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**BIBLE STUDIES:** We have many opportunities available each week:

- **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**

**JR CHURCH AT 9:00 AM ON SUNDAY** via Zoom for Kids 3 years old to 4<sup>th</sup> Grade. We email activity pages & *the password*. Email [faithumc@hotmail.com](mailto:faithumc@hotmail.com) to be added to list. We will continue to offer Junior Church via Zoom thru the fall at 9AM. **We will kick off our new curriculum, *Celebrate Wonder*, on September 12.** Each child that joins our Zoom session that day will be **mailed a coupon for a free ice cream at Son's Ice Cream Shop. Please join us!**

**YOUTH GROUP, SUNDAYS, 5-7 PM** in person at Faith UMC. **Youth will resume meetings on September 12. On Sunday, September 19 the Youth will go to Gretna Glen Camp from 3-5:30pm (van will leave Faith UMC at 2:30pm).** All youth entering 5<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades are invited to join us.

**CHATTING CLUB: MONDAYS AT 7 PM** via Zoom – This week's theme: *Time Crystals and the Lord's Works*. A group of scientists created the world's first time crystals inside a quantum computer. We will discuss how this connects with "God of the gaps," in a theological approach in which gaps in scientific knowledge are taken to be evidence - or even proof - of God's existence.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86190453518>

**DRIVE-THRU CHICKEN BBQ:** We all need a break from cooking, so why not stop by Faith UMC and pick up a delicious BBQ chicken dinner for the family? Each dinner will include a half BBQ chicken, a side and a sweet treat. Cost is \$10 per meal. Choose your preferred side. Come by Faith UMC on Saturday, September 18<sup>th</sup> from 12pm to 2pm or while supplies last. *Pre-orders are encouraged.* Call 717-560-0321 or email [faithumc@hotmail.com](mailto:faithumc@hotmail.com).

**HAITI EARTHQUAKE RELIEF THROUGH UMCOR:** Donations are being received at International Disaster Response UMCOR #982450 and <https://umcmmission.org/give-to-umcor/>. You may also give a check to Oregon Community UMC and put UMCOR Haiti in the memo and we will forward the donation.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Scripture Readers; Greeters/Ushers; & Clean Team**

**SERVANT SATURDAY:** On the Saturday before Communion, we are asking everyone to make an effort to show God's love to the world around you—giving of your time, talents & treasures. **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 [leonshe137@gmail.com](mailto:leonshe137@gmail.com).

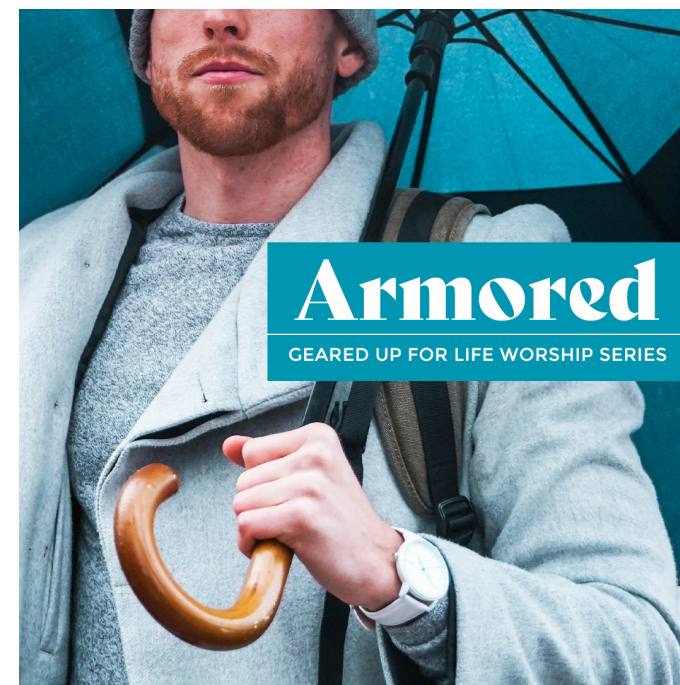
**DATE SAVER: HOLIDAY BAZAAR, Sat., October 23** hosted by OCUMC at Faith UMC

**WELCOME BACK FALL TAILGATE PARTY, Saturday, September 11, at 5pm: EVERYONE** is invited to join Lititz UMC for a welcome back fall tailgate party in their parking lot. Bring your tailgating games, food, grills and chairs. **At 7pm** we are watching the movie, "Facing the Giants" on an outside screen. **Contact Pastor Jason if you are interested in attending.**

**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.**

*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.”**

# Oregon Community United Methodist Church

August 22, 2021 at 9:00 AM – 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

**W**ELCOME: We have been gathered together by the Holy Spirit to worship God the Father & to love one another in the fellowship with Jesus Christ. 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.

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

*There are offering plates by the doors to the sanctuary. 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

*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

Pastor Jason & God's People

PUT IT ON, somebody! Put on God's wardrobe. *(a variation repeated after each line)*

**Put on God's clothing, with its strength and its power.**

**Deck yourself out in God's wear so that you can withstand wickedness.**

**Put on God's threads so that you can fight the right fight; not against flesh but against foolishness in foul places.**

**Put on the belt of truth so that you can stand.**

**Put on the jacket of righteousness so that you can stand.**

**Put on those shoes of peace so that you can stand.**

**Take up that shield of faith to deny the destructive darts of the devil, and stand!**

**Put on the hat of salvation so that you can stand. Take hold of that spiritual sword of the Spirit, and stand in God's word.**

**Clothe yourself with prayer, cover somebody else in prayer. PUT IT ON, SOMEBODY.**

**PUT ON GOD'S WARDROBE and STAND!**

*(Joseph W. Daniels, The Africana Worship Book for Year B, Discipleship Resources, 2007, 97.)*

### \*HYMN

*Marching to Zion*

UMH #733

### SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalm 84

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

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

UMH #895

### \*HYMN

*Standing on the Promises*

UMH #374

### SCRIPTURE LESSON

1 Kings 8:1, 6, 10-11, 22-30, 41-43

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

### \*HYMN

*Lead On, O King Eternal*

UMH #580

### SCRIPTURE LESSON

Ephesians 6:10-20

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

### SERMON

*Armored*

Pastor Jason

### BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH

#### \*HYMN

*Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus*

Pastor Jason

UMH #514

*\* Please stand if you are able*

**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; Fred Hess – Physical Therapy; Rev. Dorcas healing for her eye; The Hub Campus Ministry at Millersville U.; Bishop John Schol as he comes to serve EPAUMC and Bishop Johnson as she retires **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 other diseases.

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

**COVID PROTOCOLS:** Numbers of confirmed COVID cases in Lancaster County have increased 16 times from where they were when we reopened on July 4. 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, the American Academy of Pediatrics and our Bishop. Families / close friends may sit together with space between groups.** We will use every other row of pews. Protocols will be adjusted as we analyze the data and needs of our people.