

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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

- **Wednesday Bible Study w/Mike Shifflet** at OCUMC at **6:30 PM in person (no meeting 9/1/21)**
- **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! **No Session on Labor Day Sunday, Sept 5.**

**CHATTING CLUB: MONDAYS AT 7 PM** via Zoom – **This week's theme: Surprise Kidney Donation Breaks Down Barriers, Builds Bridges.** An Israeli woman donated a kidney to a Palestinian boy. Her generosity to someone from a group that has had a long-standing conflict gives us the chance to discuss what our faith can teach us about how to interact with those we think or believe are not in agreement with us. **NO MEETING on SEPT 6 due to Labor Day.** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86190453518>

**YOUTH GROUP, SUNDAYS, 5-7 PM** at Faith UMC. Youth will resume meeting on **September 12.** On **September 19** we go to **Gretna Glen Camp** from 3-5:30pm (van will leave Faith UMC at **2:30pm**). **September 25** we go to **Outdoor Bash (see below).** **No meeting Sept 26.** All 5<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade are invited.

**WELCOME BACK FALL TAILGATE PARTY AT LITITZ UMC, Sat., Sept. 11, at 5pm: ALL are invited** to join us in the LUMC parking lot. Bring your tailgating games, food, grills & chairs. **At 7pm** we are watching, "Facing the Giants" on an outside screen. Contact Pastor Jason if you are interested. **Youth are encouraged to attend, and can meet Pastor Jason at Lititz UMC. Permission slips are needed if you come without parents (youth must be signed in on arrival). Pick up students by 9pm.**

**HEMPFIELD COMMUNITY OUTDOOR BASH** at Hempfield COB (1186 Stevens St., Manheim) will be held **on September 25th.** Live bands, speakers, food trucks and games throughout the event. We will leave Faith UMC at Noon and return by 7pm for those who want to come with the youth group (adults and families are invited to attend on their own). Permission Slips are needed for all off-campus events. **This event will be instead of Youth Group on Sunday, Sept. 26th**

**DRIVE-THRU CHICKEN BBQ** with 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.

**SERVANT SATURDAY, SEPT 4:** On the Saturday before Communion, we are asking everyone to show God's love by giving of your time, talents & treasures. This includes the **DOWNTOWN MINISTRY** providing meals and supplies for the homeless. To help, contact Diana at 717-435-8577. **We meet at 2pm.**

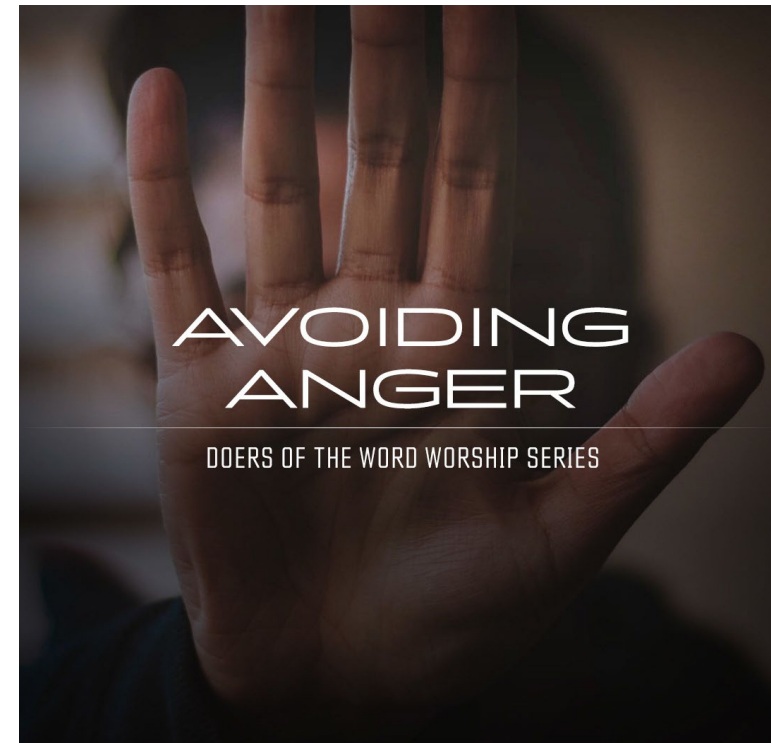
**IMPACT! MISSIONS** is a Christian Housing Ministry restoring and repairing homes for lower-income families To volunteer, contact **Leon Bame** at 717-344-9924 or [leonshel37@gmail.com](mailto:leonshel37@gmail.com).

**DATE SAVER: HOLIDAY BAZAAR, Sat., 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.**

*Welcome to*

## Oregon Community United Methodist Church



**Address:** 1214 Creek Road, Lititz, PA 17543

**Church Phone:** (717) 656-7198

**Website:** [OregonCommunityUMC.us](http://OregonCommunityUMC.us)

**Facebook:** Oregon Community UMC

**Pastor:** The Rev. Jason Perkowski

[jbperkowski@gmail.com](mailto:jbperkowski@gmail.com) or (717) 333-9238

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 29, 2021 at 9:00 AM – 14<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

We gather today hungering to be real with genuine smiles & actions that match our hallelujahs.

**We are not content to just master the power handshake of strength.**

We want also to master the partner handshake of mutual respect and mutual support.

**No more lip service; we want to be real!**

We yearn to rise above culture and prejudice

**To a mindset where foreigners and strangers are not held in contempt**

And all are invited to God's table.

**No more lip service; we want to be real!**

*(Sherrie Dobbs Johnson, *The Africana Worship Book for Year B*, 2007, 69)*

\*HYMN *And Are We Yet Alive* UMH #553 v. 1-4

SCRIPTURE LESSON **Song of Solomon 2:8-13** **Ralph Stone**  
*This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!*

\*HYMN *Take My Life, and Let It Be* UMH #399

SCRIPTURE LESSON **Psalms 45:1-2, 6-9** **Ralph Stone**  
*This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!*

THE PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER UMH #895

SCRIPTURE LESSON **James 1:17-27** **Ralph Stone**  
*This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!*

\*HYMN *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* UMH #384

SCRIPTURE LESSON **Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23** **Ralph Stone**  
*This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!*

SERMON *Avoiding Anger...* **Pastor Jason**  
*Sermon Series: Doers of the Word*

BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH **Pastor Jason**  
\*HYMN *Lord I Want to Be a Christian* UMH #402

*\* 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.

**LITURGISTS:** August 29 Ralph Stone;

September 5 Christie Jolly; 12 Dot Lange; 19 Bob Jolly; 26 Mike Shifflet

**AUGUST BIRTHDAYS:** 20<sup>th</sup>: Don Hess

**AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES:** 20<sup>th</sup>: Don and Jane Hess

**PRAYER REQUESTS:** Don Klos after surgery; 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; 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; 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; Kathleen McDuffie—healing of hip pain. **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 July 4. We are asking everyone to **wear masks inside the building.** 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.