

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

NEW MEMBERSHIP CLASSES: If you are interested in learning more about the UMC (and our local churches specifically) and are considering becoming a member, we invite you to join a new class that is forming. Please contact Pastor Jason for info. Everyone is welcome to join us—even for a refresher.

BIBLE STUDIES: We have many opportunities available each week:

- **Wednesday Bible Study w/Mike Shifflet at OCUMC at 6:30 PM**
- **Friday Bible Study at Faith UMC at 10 AM**

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. We will continue to offer Junior Church via Zoom thru the fall at 9AM. **We kicked off our new curriculum, *Celebrate Wonder*, TODAY.**

CHATTING CLUB: MONDAYS AT 7 PM via Zoom – This week’s theme: *As U.S. Leaves Afghanistan, Veterans of the War Have Mixed Emotions.* We will ponder what we can learn from times when we fail to meet our goals—personally or collectively. What might God teach us in those times. **NEW LINK:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86190453518?pwd=cEVDeDljeThaaWVIYjIjQWmZjTm5oUT09>

YOUTH GROUP, SUNDAYS, 5-7 PM at Faith UMC. We resume meeting TONIGHT. Then, Sun, Sept. 19 the Youth will go to Gretna Glen Camp. The van will leave Faith UMC at 2:30pm and return by 6pm—or you can meet us there. **NO Youth Group on Sun, Sept. 26 –come to the Outdoor Bash on Saturday.** *Permission Slips needed.* Youth entering 5th-12th grades are invited to join us.

HEMPFIELD COMMUNITY OUTDOOR BASH at Hempfield COB (1186 Stevens St., Manheim) on **Sept. 25th.** Live bands, speakers, food trucks & games. We will leave Faith UMC at Noon and return by 7pm for those coming with the youth group (adults and families are also invited to attend on their own). *Permission Slips are needed. 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 18th from 12pm to 2pm** or while supplies last. *Pre-orders are encouraged.* Call 717-560-0321 or email 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, OCT 2: 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 & repairing homes for low-income families, inc. on Saturdays. To volunteer, contact **Leon Bame at 717-344-9924 / leonshel37@gmail.com.**

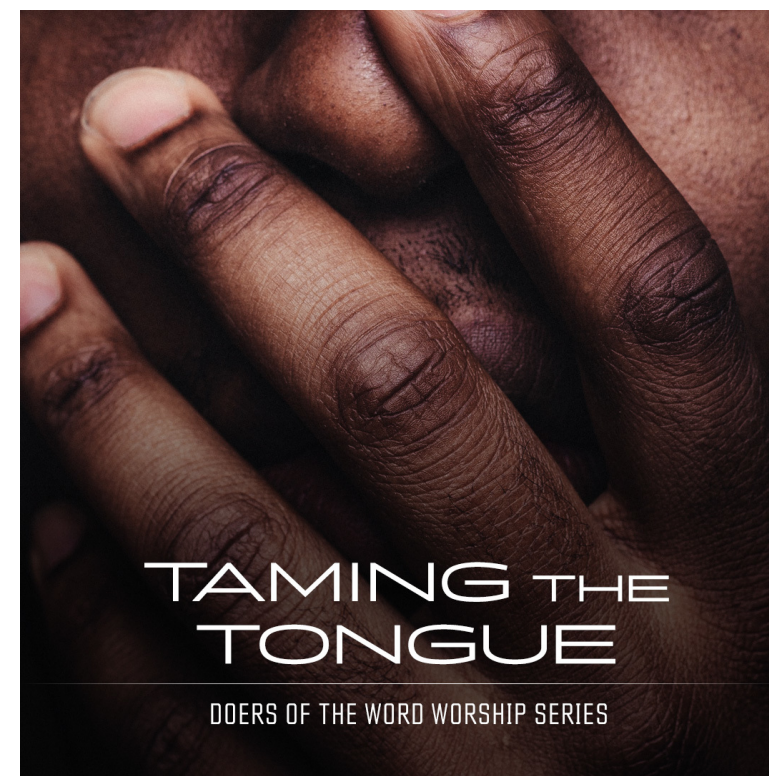
DATE SAVER: HOLIDAY BAZAAR, Sat., October 23 hosted by OCUMC at Faith UMC

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.**

CHRISTMAS CANTATA: This will be a joint effort between OCUMC, Long Memorial, & Faith UMCs. Practices are at 7:30pm starting on Sept. 22. Contact Shannon Edwards, Worship Director, for more info.

Welcome to

Oregon Community United Methodist Church



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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

September 12, 2021 at 9:00 AM – 16th Sunday after Pentecost

WELCOME: 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 come here today not because we are clever but because God welcomes the slow learners.

We come here not because we are wise, but because God loves us in spite of our folly.

We come knowing that the greatest persons will be found among those who humbly serve like Jesus did, and that the brightest ideas and the deepest truth will come from those who see themselves as little children in Christ's school.

O Lord, open up our mind and our hearts and enable our lives to declare your praise.

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*HYMN *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee* **UMH #89**

SCRIPTURE LESSON **Psalm 19** **Dot Lange**
This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!

SCRIPTURE LESSON **Proverbs 1:20-33** **Dot Lange**
This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!

*HYMN *God of Grace and God of Glory* **UMH #577**

SCRIPTURE LESSON **Mark 8:27-38** **Dot Lange**
This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!

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

*HYMN *Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty* **UMH #64**

SCRIPTURE LESSON **James 3:1-12** **Dot Lange**
This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!

SERMON **Taming the Tongue** **Pastor Jason**
Sermon Series: Doers of the Word

BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH **Pastor Jason**

*HYMN *Open My Eyes, That I May See* **UMH #454**

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

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS: 12 Phyliss Wechter; 19 Sharon Wilson; 20 Bob Dietz

PRAYER REQUESTS: Don Klos; Maria, Angela & Becky Rodriguez—for the daughters to thrive; Izabel, Oaklee, Carson, their parents and family; those with cancer; Mike Shifflet's mom and neighbors; Bob Jolly's parents (a fall & COVID); Katie & Dustin Oakes in Japan; Jackie Black; Josh Zimmerman; Jackie's friend who died; Erek Perkowski and his son Shaughn – custody; Fred Hess; Rev. Dorcas healing; The Hub Campus Ministry at MU; Bishop John Schol now serving EPAUMC and Bishop Peggy & Michael Johnson in retirement **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: Confirmed COVID cases in Lancaster Co. have increased from single digits/day on July 4 to **180 new cases/day**. While a high percentage of our congregation is vaccinated, only 48% of the county is. This increases the odds for COVID in our church. **Please wear a mask inside the building & throughout the Worship Service** (especially as you enter/exit & while singing). At this time, **we will NOT turn anyone away because they are not wearing a mask, but simply ask you to consider the needs of those around you who may be at high risk**. Families / close friends may sit together with 2 empty seats between groups & using every other row of chairs. Protocols will be adjusted as we analyze new data.