

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

NEW MEMBERSHIP CLASSES: If you are interested in learning about the UMC & our local churches—and exploring membership, we invite you to join this class on October 3, 10 and 17 at Noon at Faith UMC. Please contact Pastor Jason for info. All are 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. **Our new curriculum is *Celebrate Wonder*.**

CHATTING CLUB: MONDAYS AT 7 PM via Zoom – This week’s theme: *Struggling Under the Weight of Daily Bad News*. We will discuss how in a 24/7 news cycle of heavy and horrible things the Bible can help us, how important our attitude is, and what we really can (or cannot) control. **NEW LINK:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86190453518?pwd=cEVDeDljeThaaWVIYjlQWmZjTm5oUT09>

YOUTH GROUP, SUNDAYS, 5-7 PM at Faith UMC. 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. Youth entering 5th-12th grades are invited to join us. **No 5-7pm Youth on Sept 19 or Sept 26 (see special events)**

HEMPFIELD COMMUNITY OUTDOOR BASH at Hempfield COB (1186 Stevens St., Manheim) **on Sept. 25th** with bands, speakers, & food trucks. Youth will leave Faith at Noon and return by 7pm. Adults & families are invited to attend on their own. Permission Slips needed. **No Youth Group Sun., Sept. 26th.**

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.

HELP NEEDED AFTER HURRICANE IDA - Excerpt from Bishop Schol’s letter & video: Many churches and communities in our conference had extensive flooding. Thousands of people were displaced and homes had significant damage. The UMC will help people in Louisiana and our region with relief and recovery efforts. Please visit <https://www.epaumc.org/news/conference-seeks-to-help-churches-recover-from-idas-storms/> for more info. You may **make donations through the Conference site or via a check payable to OCUMC with “Hurricane Ida” in the memo.** We will forward the amount given.

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.**

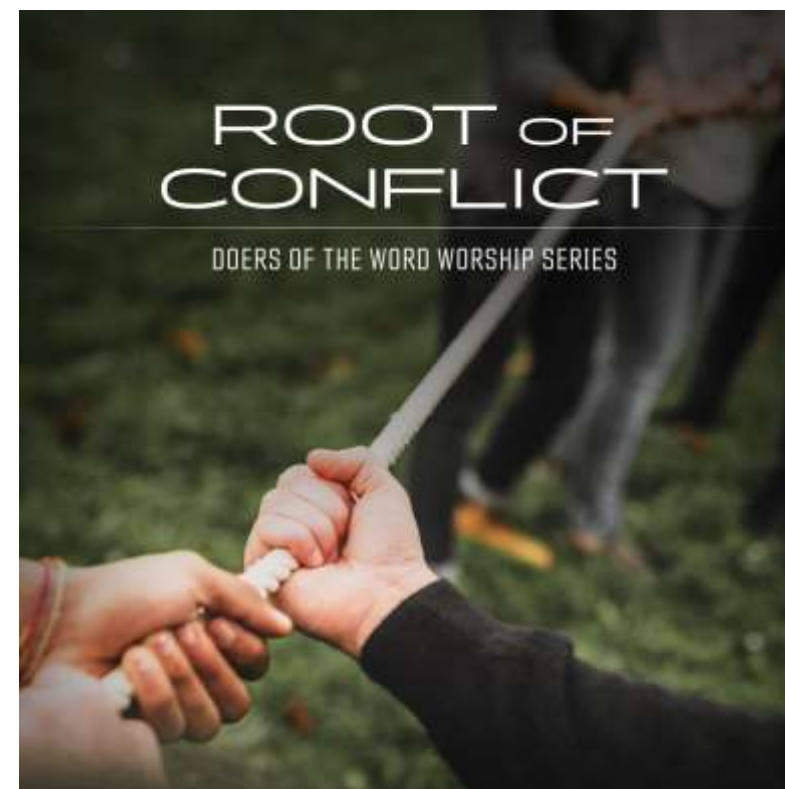
OCUMC HOLIDAY BAZAAR, Sat., Oct. 23 at Faith UMC. See Christie & Joetta to volunteer.

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 at Long Memorial.** Contact Tara Reber, Worship Director, at 717-569-2931 or longmemorialumc@gmail.com

Welcome to

Oregon Community United Methodist Church



Address: 1214 Creek Road, Lititz, PA 17543

Church Phone: (717) 656-7198

Website: OregonCommunityUMC.us

Facebook: [Oregon Community UMC](https://www.facebook.com/OregonCommunityUMC)

Pastor: The Rev. Jason Perkowski

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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 19, 2021 at 9:00 AM – 17th 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

Who among you is seeking the wisdom of God?

We long to hear God's Word spoken to our hearts.

Who among you is seeking God's bright and holy truth?

We long to learn the ways of wisdom and righteousness.

Who among you is seeking a Spirit-filled life?

We long to live lives of holiness and light.

God grants God's wisdom generously to all who ask. Come near, people of God!

Let us worship in wisdom and truth.

(From Literature and Liturgy <https://re-worship.blogspot.com/2018/09/call-to-worship-james-3-4.html>)

*HYMN *Blessed Assurance* **UMH #369**

SCRIPTURE LESSON **Psalm 1** **Bob Jolly**
This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!

*HYMN *I Am Thine, O Lord* **UMH #419**

SCRIPTURE LESSON **Mark 9:30-37** **Bob Jolly**
This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!

HYMN *I Need Thee Every Hour* **UMH #397 v. 1, 3, 4, 5**

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

SCRIPTURE LESSON **James 3:13-4:10** **Bob Jolly**
This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Root of Conflict
Sermon Series: Doers of the Word

Pastor Jason

BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH

*HYMN

Let There Be Peace on Earth

Pastor Jason
UMH #431

** 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; those with cancer; Mike Shifflet's mom and neighbors; Bob Jolly's parents (a fall & COVID); Jackie Black; Josh Zimmerman; Jackie's friend who died; Ereik Perkowski and his son Shaughn – custody; Fred Hess; Rev. Dorcas healing; The Hub Campus Ministry at MU; Bishop John Schol now serving EPAUMC; Joetta's Aunt;
PRAISES: Katie & Dustin Oakes Anniversary; 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 **207 new cases/day**. While a high percentage of our congregation is vaccinated, only 49% of the county is. **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 set of pews. Protocols will continually be adjusted as we analyze new data.

ATTENTION COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS: It is time to start working on Charge Conference forms. Forms are available online at [2021 Charge Conference Forms \(epaumc.org\)](https://epaumc.org) or contact Pastor. To be completed by end of October so we can approve them at a Church Council meeting. Trustees, Finance, Lay Leaders, SPRC, Nominations all have forms to complete.