

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

JR CHURCH AT 9:00 AM ON SUNDAY via Zoom for Kids 3 years old to 4th Grade. Email faithumc@hotmail.com to get the activity pages & *password*. Our curriculum is *Celebrate Wonder*.

YOUTH GROUP ON SUNDAYS, 5-7 PM at Faith UMC. 5th-12th graders are invited to join us. Dress for being outside. Nov. 21 & each 3rd Sunday we meet at 2:30-6PM to go to Gretna Glen Camp.

CHATTING CLUB: MONDAYS AT 7 PM via Zoom – Topic: *How to Handle the Rising Rage Epidemic*. Many people are reporting to be angrier now than in years past. Though anger is normal, the way we deal with it determines if it is helpful or negative. We will discuss the anger of Jesus and God as reported in the Bible. Is there righteous versus unrighteous anger? **LINK:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86190453518?pwd=cEVDeDljeThaaWVlYjQWmZjTm5oUT09>

BIBLE STUDY: Wednesday w/Mike Shifflet at OCUMC at 6:30 PM

BIBLE STUDY: Friday at Faith UMC w/ Pastor Jason at 10 AM

HAITI EARTHQUAKE RELIEF THROUGH UMCOR: Donations are being received at International Disaster Response UMCOR #982450 and <https://umcmmission.org/give-to-umcor/>. **HELP NEEDED AFTER HURRICANE IDA** to provide relief from extensive flooding. Please visit <https://www.epaumc.org/news/conference-seeks-to-help-churches-recover-from-idas-storms/> for more info. You may **make donations through UMCOR.org, EPAUMC.org or via a check payable to OCUMC with a clear designation in the memo (Haiti or Ida).**

SERVANT SATURDAY: 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 & supplies for the homeless starting at 2pm. To help, contact Diana at 717-435-8577.

IMPACT! MISSIONS is a Christian Housing Ministry that helps restore homes to be sold to low-income families and does repairs for homeowners in need. They need volunteers. **Join Leon Bame on 1st & 3rd Saturdays.** For info, contact him: 717-344-9924 or leonshel37@gmail.com.

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 online through our website.**

ALL SAINTS DAY: On November 7, we would like to honor all of our loved ones that have passed away since last year. **VETERANS DAY: On November 14** we would like to honor all of our church members and their family who have served in the armed services. **Please drop off a photo of your loved ones to the church no later than the Monday before each service.** Include their full name, date of birth/death, and for veterans their military branch and rank. We will display these pictures and honor them as part of the service.

VETERANS DAY DRIVE-THRU SPAGHETTI DINNER FUNDRAISER, Sun., Nov 14, 4-6 PM at Faith UMC. All are invited to come and enjoy this “pay-what you can” meal to-go.

JOINT THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE at Long Memorial UMC, on Wednesday, Nov 24, 7 PM

CHRISTMAS CANTATA on Sunday, Dec 19 at Faith (9:00 AM) and Long Memorial (11:00 AM)

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.”**

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

Oregon Community United Methodist Church

October 31, 2021 at 9:00 AM – 23rd Sunday after Pentecost & Reformation Sunday

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 via church website or mail.

GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

If 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 are people of God, created to love

We will love the Lord our God with heart, soul, mind, and strength.

We are people of God, determined to love.

We will love our neighbors and treat them as we would be treated. (Mark 12:28-34)

We love neither from a sense of obligation nor to gain popularity of favor.

We choose to love both the lovely and the unlovable because love imitates God's nature.

For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment,

"You shall love your neighbor as yourself" (Galatians 5:14).

(Safiyah Fosua, *Africana Worship Book for Year B*, Valerie Bridgeman Davis & Safiyah Fosua, eds., 73.)

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalms 146

Pastor Jason

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

*HYMN

Be Still, My Soul

UMH #534

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Ruth 1:1-18

Pastor Jason

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

Hebrews 9:11-14

Pastor Jason

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

*HYMN

More Love to Thee, O Christ

UMH #453

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Mark 12:28-34

Pastor Jason

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

SERMON

Not Far From the Kingdom

Pastor Jason

BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH

Pastor Jason

*HYMN

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

UMH #57 v. 1, 3, 4, 5 & 7

** 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: Oct. 3 Christie Jolly; 10 Dot Lange; 17 Bob Jolly; 24 Ralph Stone 31 Rev. Jason

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS: 1 Jane Hess; 2 Paulette Bledsoe; 3 Jodi Wiker; 4 Pat Dietz

OCTOBER ANNIVERSARY: 13 Bob & Christie Jolly

PRAYER REQUESTS: Sherry Lynn (Dean's sister) awaiting test results; Kathy St. Clair—brain bleed (friend of Bernie); Sandy Baird's father; Lydia Erk on the death of her husband and pregnancy; 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; Jackie Black; Josh Zimmerman; Erek Perkowski and his son Shaughn; Fred Hess; Rev. Dorcas healing; The Hub Campus Ministry at MU; Bishop John Schol & UMC Staff; Katie & Dustin Oakes; **PRAISES:** God's presence through illness and struggle; slowing of pandemic; healings. **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.

COVID PROTOCOLS: Please wear a mask inside the building & throughout Worship (esp. to enter/exit & sing). We will NOT turn anyone away for not wearing a mask, but simply ask you to consider the needs of those who are at high risk. Please socially distance.