

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**JR CHURCH AT 9:00 AM ON SUNDAY via Zoom** for Kids 3 years old to 4<sup>th</sup> Grade. Email [faithumc@hotmail.com](mailto:faithumc@hotmail.com) to get the activity pages & *password*. *Join us again starting on Jan. 2 on Zoom after the holiday break.* We would like to see you on Jan. 2 at church music. If you can't make it, we can worship via zoom.

**YOUTH GROUP, SUNDAYS, 5-7 PM** at Faith UMC. 5<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders are invited. *No Youth Group on Jan 2.* Youth go to Gretna Glen Camp on **Jan. 16, Feb 20 and March 20 from 2:30-6pm.**

**CHATTING CLUB: MONDAYS AT 7 PM BY ZOOM** – We will meet on **Jan. 3.** **Topic:** "Anne Rice, Who Felt 'Called to Be an Outsider for Christ,' Dies at 80." This gives us the opportunity to discuss what is necessary to consider oneself committed to Christ. Anne Rice was a novelist and was an atheist much of her life. She converted and returned to the church, only to later leave the institutional church, saying she was still a follower of Christ.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86190453518?pwd=cEVDeDljeThaaWVlYjIQWmZjTm5oUT09>

**BIBLE STUDY led by Mike Shifflet on Wednesdays at 6:30 PM at Oregon Community UMC.** All are invited! *The group will meet again on January 5.* Enjoy the holidays.

**BIBLE STUDY: FRIDAYS** at Faith UMC at **10 AM**

**CHRISTMAS EVE OFFERING:** If you would like to make a gift to the **CHRIST HOME FOR KIDS & BLACKFEET UMC PARISH**, as we do each Christmas, you can send a check made out to *Oregon Community UMC* with the specific ministry in the memo line.

**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 via our website.**

### **SOUPERBOWL SUNDAY**

**SERVANT SATURDAY ON FEB 5:** On the Saturday before Communion Sunday each month, we are asking everyone to show God's love to the world through your time, talents and treasures.

**DOWNTOWN MINISTRY:** At 2pm on Servant Saturdays, we provide meals & personal items for people who are homeless. To help, call Diana at 717-435-8577. We need people to cook, prepare donations, deliver food, etc. **WISH LIST:** packs of crackers, granola bars, fun sized candy-not hard candy, cough drops, tissues, and individually wrapped maxi pads. **WISH LIST:** [https://smile.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/dl/invite/5zDLQnj?ref\\_=wl\\_share](https://smile.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/dl/invite/5zDLQnj?ref_=wl_share)

**IMPACT! MISSIONS** restore homes to be sold to low-income families & does repairs for those in need. **To volunteer** on 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays, **contact Leon** at 344-9924 / [leonshel37@gmail.com](mailto:leonshel37@gmail.com).

**APARTMENTS NEEDED:** 1-bedroom apartment needed for a non-smoker with no pets at about \$800/month. Location is flexible. Call Dennis Meck at 717-413-1504 w/info. There is also a need for a 2-bedroom apartment for another family of 3. Please contact Pastor Jason with info.

**MEMBERSHIP:** If you are interested in learning more about the UMC and our local churches, and are considering becoming a member, we invite you to contact Pastor Jason for info about membership classes.

*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.”**

**SUNDAY WORSHIP IN THE SANCTUARY at 9:00 AM at Oregon Community UMC  
& BROADCAST at 10:30 AM from Faith UMC on Facebook & church websites.**

# Oregon Community United Methodist Church

January 2, 2022 at 9:00AM – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Christmas – Celebrating Epiphany

**W**ELCOME: We gather together to worship God: The Father, The Son, & the Holy Spirit. We celebrate that The Holy Spirit came upon the Virgin Mary, the Word of God became flesh within her, & on Christmas night some 2021 years ago she brought the only begotten Son, Jesus, into the world. You are welcome in this space to celebrate this miracle no matter who you are; from where you have come; what experiences, struggles or gifts you bring; or the questions, doubts & beliefs you carry. Together, we seek to honor & understand the gift of the Christ Child! We are so glad you are here!

## 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 A TIME FOR CENTERING & PRAYER

Pastor Jason

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Jason & God's People

Sing aloud with gladness: **God is gathering the people!**

From the farthest parts of the earth we come: **All who struggle; all who labor with new life!**

Those who are weeping, God will console; **Those who get lost find a clear path home.**

Let us worship the God who gathers us!

Rev. Bonnie Tarwater, *UCC's Worship Ways*, <http://www.ucc.org/worship/worship-ways>

### \*HYMN

*What Child Is This*

UMH #219

### SCRIPTURE LESSON

**Psalms 72:1-7, 10-14**

Christie Jolly

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

### HYMN

*The First Noel*

UMH #245

### SCRIPTURE LESSON

**John 1:1-18**

Christie Jolly

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

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

UMH #895

### \*HYMN

*Angels from the Realms of Glory*

UMH #220 v. 3 & 4

### SCRIPTURE LESSON

**Ephesians 3:1-12**

Christie Jolly

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

### \*HYMN

*We Three Kings*

UMH #254

### SCRIPTURE LESSON

**Matthew 2:1-12**

Christie Jolly

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

### SERMON

*Epiphany: The Light of Home*

Pastor Jason

### \*HYMN

*Love Came Down at Christmas*

UMH #242

### BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH

*\* You are invited to stand*

**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:** Jan. 2 Christie Jolly; 9 Dot Lange; 12 Mike Shifflet; 19 Ralph Stone; 26 Pastor

**JANUARY BIRTHDAYS:** 7 ??;

**COVID PROTOCOLS:** The 7-day daily average in Lancaster County of COVID is **418 new cases and 3 new deaths**. Only **54%** of our county is vaccinated. **So, please distance and wear a mask** inside the building & throughout the Worship Service (esp. as you enter, exit & sing). We are **NOT** currently turning anyone away for not wearing a mask, but **ask you to consider the needs of those who are at high risk**.

**PRAYER REQUESTS:** Roseanne – healing from cancer; Sherry Lynn (Dean's sister); Kathy St. Clair—aneurysm (friend of Bernie); Sandy Baird's father; Lydia Erk's pregnancy; Maria, Angela & Becky Rodriguez; Izabel, Oaklee, Carson, Matthew & their parents; those with cancer; Mike Shifflet's mom and neighbors; Bob Jolly's mother; Jackie Black; Josh Zimmerman; Erek Perkowski and his son, Shaughn; Fred Hess; Campus Ministries; Bishop John Schol & UMC Staff; Katie & Dustin Oakes. **PRAISES:** God's presence through illness and struggle; healings.

**PRAYERS FOR THE WORLD:** Veterans and Service members; the UMC and theological differences; leaders; 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.