

PRAYER REQUESTS:

OUR CONCERNS:

Peace in Israel, Palestine, and Ukraine
For peace & wisdom in areas of conflict
Wisdom & safety for government officials globally
President Joe Biden and VP Kamala Harris
Healthy and gentle campaigns and election process
Veterans and Service Members
Civilians, leaders, and soldiers in war torn regions
Police officers and their families
Folks harmed in interactions with police
All first responders & medical staff
For an end to violence in all forms
Victims & families involved in violent crime,
sexual abuse, racism, and harassment
Abusers and their families
Healing & peace for divisions caused by race,
class, gender, sexuality, politics & fears
All affected by natural disasters & disease
Stewardship of our environment & climate
Refugees & huddled masses yearning to be free
Security and immigration reform
People who are hungry and unhoused
Prisoners, Prison Leadership & Judges
Reform for Education Funding, Criminal Justice,
and Foster Care Systems
Teachers, Students, Families & Campus ministries
Members of AA, NA, & AlAnon and their families
All struggling with addictions, finances, etc.
Those suffering from mental health illnesses
All those caring for sick loved ones
Those grieving the loss of loved ones
Udobo School in Durban, South Africa
Campus Ministries
Eileen Williams – muscles
Bradley McGowan – ALS
Linda Philbin – motor neuropathy & healing
Rosemary (Marilyn Jones' sister) – healing
Annette McClarigan – health, sons & family
Jean Neideigh – healing (MS)
Noah Boughter, Sophie and family
Heather Lindsey
Jake Ruhl – hip and shoulder pain
Shirley Gehr – healing
Tracey – follow up reports on a tumor
The Jackson Family
Robyn Meckley – healing
Linda Weber - healing

Those with cancer: Cyndi Campbell, Dean Grove,
Mark Reitzel, Duane Lehman, Ruthie, Martin
Campbell, Ben Neideigh, Harmony Chiccarine,
Grandma Edwards, Nat, Tina Miller, Carl Derr,
Dorcas Kamanda (in remission), Jim Royer,
Adam Malik, Carol Bryner (Allen K's sister),
Joan (Nancy's sister-in-law), Isaias Maldonado
(Ramonita's Uncle), Missy Landis; Gail (friend
of Sandy), Hector Rosado, Tim (Marilyn J's
nephew)
Terry & Margie Urban & family – housing & health
Ruthie & Gary with Dementia – friends of Amy
Brenda, Dave and Mike Loechner – health
Denny Armstrong – kidney failure
Deb Stauffer – healing from pneumonia
Carol Dronke – upcoming surgery
Daryl Hawthorne – healing after foot surgery
Terry Kofroth – healing
Phyllis Miller – Congestive Heart Failure
Bob Miller – pain and heart problems
Pastoral transitions for Long Memorial, Emmanuel
and Salem: Rothsville UMC
Bishop Schol, DS Freymoyer & EPAUMC Staff
Laity and Clergy of the UMC
For unity & love in the church universal & the UMC
Paul (Jake's nephew) – healing for heart & kidneys
Lexi Compton – treatment for tumor on spine (which
has shrunken 50% in size)
Boughter family
Brian – healing
Donald Campbell – kidney and heart concerns
Dolly Bankert – severely bruised knee
Ron Lunn – health issues and preparing to move
Joshua Bitner – Crohn's Disease
People who are unhoused in extreme heat
Josie, dog with auto immune issues
Rev. Dorcas's ministry in Sierra Leone and the death
of her husband Daniel
Bishop Cynthia Moore-KoiKoi who is appointed to
Eastern PA and Greater New Jersey Conferences
People whose properties were affected by the storms

OUR PRAISES:

Pastor Hedwige Mutwale Mukalay's ministry
Lorraine Smith – healing & cancer free after thyroid
removal
God's loving presence in the midst of struggles
*Please submit prayer needs, praises, & updates by
note or email to the office: faithumc@hotmail.com*



Welcome

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Faith United Methodist Church



July 21, 2024 at 10:30 AM – 9th Sunday after Pentecost

WELCOME: Each Sunday we gather together to worship as a communal activity where individuals become one in the Christ. We learn of God together through Scripture and discernment. We support and pray for one another in the journey. We submit together to obey God's call on our lives. May the Spirit of God inspire & fill us as we worship together today! You are welcome in this sacred space no matter who you are; from where you have come; what experiences, struggles or gifts you bring; or the questions, doubts & beliefs you carry. We are so glad you are here!

Please sign in using the red Pew Pads. Prayer Request Cards from the pads can be placed in the basket on the altar. If worshipping online, please 'sign in' and add prayer requests by commenting on the video.

GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Michelle Bame & Pastor Jason

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Jason & God's People

Welcome! Welcome to the baggage we carry, the joys we share, the griefs we bear, and the worries we hold.

Come! Let us worship!

The voice of God is calling us to come with all that we are and all that we carry to worship.

Come! Let us worship!

God calls us to gather, to receive grace in our gathering, and to reorient us again to the ways of God.

Come! Let us worship!

So, come, members of the family of God! Bring all that you are to be molded by grace, refocused toward Love, and woven together as community in Christ.

Come! Let us worship! Thanks be to God. Amen.

Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, May2024

*HYMN

Just as I Am, Without One Plea

UMH #357

SCRIPTURE LESSON

2 Samuel 7:1-14a

Lisa Baker

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

CHILDREN'S TIME

Pastor Jason

*HYMN

Children of the Heavenly Father

UMH #141

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

UMH #895

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: *Have mercy us on, O God, according to your steadfast love. For we know our sins which are always in front of our eyes. We have not loved you as deeply as our own heartbeat. We have failed to care for your body and for the whole of creation. Forgive us. According to your abundant mercy, blot out our transgressions and cleanse us. Restore to us the joy of your salvation and sustain in us a willing spirit. Free us to know joy and gladness and to live our days in praise.*

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalms 89:20-37

Lisa Baker

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

OUR OFFERINGS: OF PRAYERS, PRESENCE, GIFTS, SERVICE & WITNESS

*Doxology

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

UMH #95

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Ephesians 2:11-22

Lisa Baker

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

*HYMN

The Church's One Foundation

UMH #545 v. 1, 2, 5

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalms 96

Lisa Baker

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

SERMON

Call to Worship

Pastor Jason

BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH

Pastor Jason

*HYMN

Better Is One Day

MSFPW2 #60

** You are invited to stand in body or in Spirit*

Pianist: Dolly Bankert **AV Tech:** Dennis Meck, Sr & Keagan Meck

Pastor: The Rev. Jason Perkowski **Ministers:** The People of God

OFFICE COMMUNICATION: Hours vary. Carol Kennedy, Office Admin, checks messages in the office on weekdays. Pastor Jason is with family from Noon Friday until Sunday & may not respond to non-emergencies then.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL at 9:00 AM meets in the 1st classroom in the Ed. Wing.

JUNIOR CHURCH for 3-year-olds - 4th grade during the 10:30AM Worship Service. Please sign your child in before the service & get a numbered badge. Children are dismissed to Jr. Church after the Children's Message. After worship, pick up kids in the Education Wing, 3rd classroom on the right.

YOUTH GROUP ON SUNDAYS, 5-7 PM at Faith UMC for 5th-12th graders. Each week there is dinner, games & a lesson. Any students are invited to join us—you don't have to be a member of one of our churches. Sign up to be the 2nd adult and/or provide a meal in the hall or by contacting Pastor Jason. **THOSE ENTERING 5TH GRADE IN THE FALL ARE INVITED TO START ATTENDING YOUTH GROUP!! WELCOME!**

GRIEFSHARE helps people process the loss of loved ones and to find support from peers. There is a video curriculum, discussion and mutual support. **We started a new group in April. We meet every other Monday from 5-6:30 PM in the first classroom in the Education Wing at Faith UMC. Our next meetings are July 29 & August 12.** This is open to the church and community. Contact Pastor Jason for more info or to register.

FRIDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY at 10 AM in Faith UMC Fellowship Hall.

THE CHURCH & SOCIETY TEAM engages in improving our community by standing up against injustice. **Next meeting: August 15 at 5:30 PM (3rd Thursdays). Join us by Zoom only at:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82735304374?pwd=eDBSZHRCZVphSnh2TENDZ0xrdG0vQT09>. To learn more, contact Renee Norman. The **Criminal Justice & Bail Reform Team**, meets online at Noon every other Wed. (July 24 & Aug 7): <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82483314676?pwd=K2ZtZGQ0LzBOeIVIVXQwUk5LR2VFQ09>

SEND A CARD TO HOMEBOUND PEOPLE: There are cards in a basket in the hall and complete sets of labels in small bags pinned to the bulletin board. Add a note and drop it in the mail to spread some joy to those who cannot get to church. If you know of someone to add to our list, see Buni.

SUB SALE: We have certificates from S. Clyde Weaver for \$7.00. Pick up a delicious made-to-order sub at any of their locations. You have 7+ varieties of sandwiches available on a sub roll, bread or wrap or you may pick a ready-made sandwich. You can support our ministries while getting a discount on your sandwich! See Carol.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL AT FAITH UMC: JULY 22-26, 6-8PM We are looking forward to spending time with your children at VBS. Registration is currently closed. If you would like to have your child's name added to our wait list, please email faithumc@hotmail.com with "VBS Registration" in the subject line. If you let us know your name, phone number and the names & ages of your children, we will call you if space becomes available.

CHURCH AND VBS FAMILY PICNIC: July 28 after worship. Everyone is invited! The church will provide the hotdogs, Sno-cones & beverages. You may bring a side dish if you wish. We will be eating in the fellowship hall or you may take your food outside. Bring your lawn chairs and spend some time visiting & playing yard games. **Please let us know if you plan to attend.** There is a signup sheet in the hall or email the office.

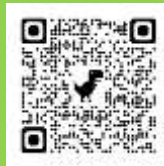
VBS MISSION PROJECT: Each year during VBS we invite children *and the congregation* to support a **Mission Project**. This year we are supporting the Pet Pantry of Lancaster Co. They are there for animals and their humans during their times of greatest need, providing lifesaving resources through caring community-driven programs. *See the Faith-a-Gram or the poster in the hall for their wish list and consider donating needed items.*

FAITH FRIENDSHIP MINISTRIES is a Faith based group home in Mountville, PA that houses adults with disabilities, especially severe mental illnesses. They need craft supplies for their activity department. As we are such a generous congregation, the missions committee said we would help! They are looking for the following supplies: t-shirts of all sizes, white baseball hats, tie dye supplies, stickers, holiday stickers, holiday craft supplies for all holidays, poster board, tissue paper, glitter, sequins, yarn, and any other craft supplies anyone wants to donate.

THANK YOU for your faithfulness to our ministries—through your prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness. As of July 9, giving and fundraisers for our **general ministries has raised \$89,146**, with **\$95,080 in expenses**. That **\$6,000 deficit is smaller than it was in May** when it was over \$9,000. So, we are making progress. Thankfully, due to generous end of year giving, we carried a surplus into 2024, which has enabled us to pay our expenses and still have funds in our general ministry account (\$17,697). We have also been able to raise **\$18,328** toward debt reduction to be used for our mortgage payments on the Fellowship Hall and Education Wing, and **that debt reduction account now has \$13,860** to be used for those bills after making our monthly payment throughout the year.

We need to maintain a regular weekly income of \$4,100 per week toward the regular budget and the debt reduction combined in order to meet our expenses without depleting the accounts. *We are currently averaging only \$3938 in income, including fundraisers.* If you are able to give regularly toward our ministry—or to make a one-time donation—that goes a long way to sustaining the work that we do together to serve our community.

Gifts can be directed to **General Ministry and/or the Debt Reduction / Building Fund**. Mark preferences in the memo line & envelope. You can set up recurring gifts through your own financial institution or at <https://secure.myvanco.com/L-Z37Q/home>. There is a link at [FaithUMC.us](https://www.faithumc.us) or via the **QR Code**. You can also **mail** or **place an offering in the plate**. Special gifts from IRAs, stocks, etc. can also be received.



THREADS OF FAITH: If you like to knit, sew, crochet or quilt, we would like to invite you to Threads of Faith! Whether experienced or just learning, you are welcome to join us from **10am - Noon the first Saturday of each month** for fun, fellowship and crafting! Bring your sewing machines and supplies and work on your projects or start a new one while we chat and share talents in our brightly lit, spacious room with plenty of outlets! **Our first gathering will be Sat., Aug. 3rd.** Signups appreciated but walk-ins welcome! We look forward to meeting you all!

SCRAPBOOKING EVENT at Faith UMC on Sat., Aug. 10, 2024 from 9AM-5PM: For \$25 you will have a 4 foot by 30 inch table space per person.. We will provide assistance with transporting your scrapbook supplies from the car to the table when you arrive and back to the car at the end of the day. Food will be available for purchase. You can [REGISTER ONLINE](#) or by downloading [a copy of the form](#) to print and mail. **Register now!** *There is a signup sheet in the hall for volunteers to help with this event—or contact Michelle Bame (717)537-5064 or Jackie Black (717)572-1521.*

FAITH UMC WORSHIP TEAM: Do you sing, play an instrument, and make a joyful noise to the Lord? If so, please **join the Faith Singers every Wednesday at 6:00 PM** to learn and rehearse the worship music.

SUMMER CAMP: REGISTER TO ATTEND OR VOLUNTEER AS A COUNSELOR / SUPPORT STAFF. Visit <https://www.epaumc.org/ministry/camp-retreat> for more info. **Families with campers in need of financial support should contact the church office.**

REVERBERATE 2024 will take place on Sunday, September 15th, from 6:00 to 8:00 pm (with food trucks from 4:00 to 6:00 pm) in Long's Park, and Water Street Mission would love for us to join them. This free, one-night event will feature powerful testimonies from members of our community, joyful fellowship, and worship from various denominations. It's an opportunity to unite Lancaster County believers in worship to lift one another up.

MEDICINE BOTTLE COLLECTION: We send *small* prescription pill bottles to clinics in poor countries. **Please remove all labels and sticky residue.** A basket is under the table as you enter the Sanctuary.

COMMUNITY AID will donate \$.13 to Faith UMC for every pound of clothing, shoes, electronic, toys, & household goods (excluding furniture) donated at 31 Rohrerstown Road Mon–Sat, 9AM–6PM. **Tell staff to credit Non-profit partner #10221 - Faith UMC.** Write or tape partner number on bags/boxes.

LONG MEMORIAL FREE GROCERIES for those in need every week through their Friday Night Food Ministry at 6pm. You can drive up and receive groceries to help support you through the week. *Volunteers needed.*

IN NEED OF HELP? Contact Pastor Jason, dial **2-1-1** or visit www.211.org to reach the **United Way Call Center for social services.** **The Crisis Intervention Lifeline is (717) 394-2631 or dial 9-8-8.**

ONGOING EVENTS:

Sundays

Adult Sunday School, 9:00 AM

Worship, 10:30 AM in the Sanctuary and Facebook Live

Junior Church during 10:30 AM worship

Youth Group at Faith, 5-7 PM

1st Sundays

Communion offered during worship service, followed by refreshments

Mondays

GriefShare Group - Every other Monday, 5:00-6:30 PM at Faith UMC

Tuesdays

Nar-Anon - Every other Tuesday, 7:00-9:00 PM at Faith UMC

Wednesdays

Worship Team Practice, 6:00 PM

Thursdays

Wing and a Prayer AA Meeting in the Fellowship Hall, 10:00 AM

Fridays

Bible Study led by Pastor Jason, 10:00 AM

1st & 3rd Saturdays

Faith UMC works with IMPACT! Missions – Contact Leon Bame to help

1st Saturdays

Servant Saturday & Threads of Faith (beginning Aug 3)

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Sunday, July 21

VBS decorating & setup, noon (lunch included)

M-F, July 22-26

Operation Overboard VBS, 6:00 to 8:00 PM

Sunday, July 28

Family Picnic, noon

Monday, July 29

GriefShare Group - Every other Monday from 5:00 to 6:30 PM

Thursday, Aug 1

SPRC meeting, 6:00 PM

Saturday, Aug 3

Threads of Faith, 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Wednesday, Aug 7

Ladies' Lunch at Oregon Dairy, 11:30 AM

Thursday, Aug 8

Finance Meeting, 6:00 PM

Friday, Aug 9

Set up for Scrapbook Crop, 6:00 to 7:00 PM

Saturday, Aug 10

Scrapbook Crop, 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM – See our website to **register now**.

WORSHIP LEADERS for next Sunday, July 28 are:

GREETERS/USHERS: Daryl Hawthorne & Terry Kofroth

LITURGIST: Drew Hassara

CHILDREN'S TIME: Michelle Bame

JUNIOR CHURCH: Lisa Baker & Colette Borden

YOUTH GROUP: Pastor Jason **& volunteer needed**