

PRAYER REQUESTS:

OUR CONCERNS:

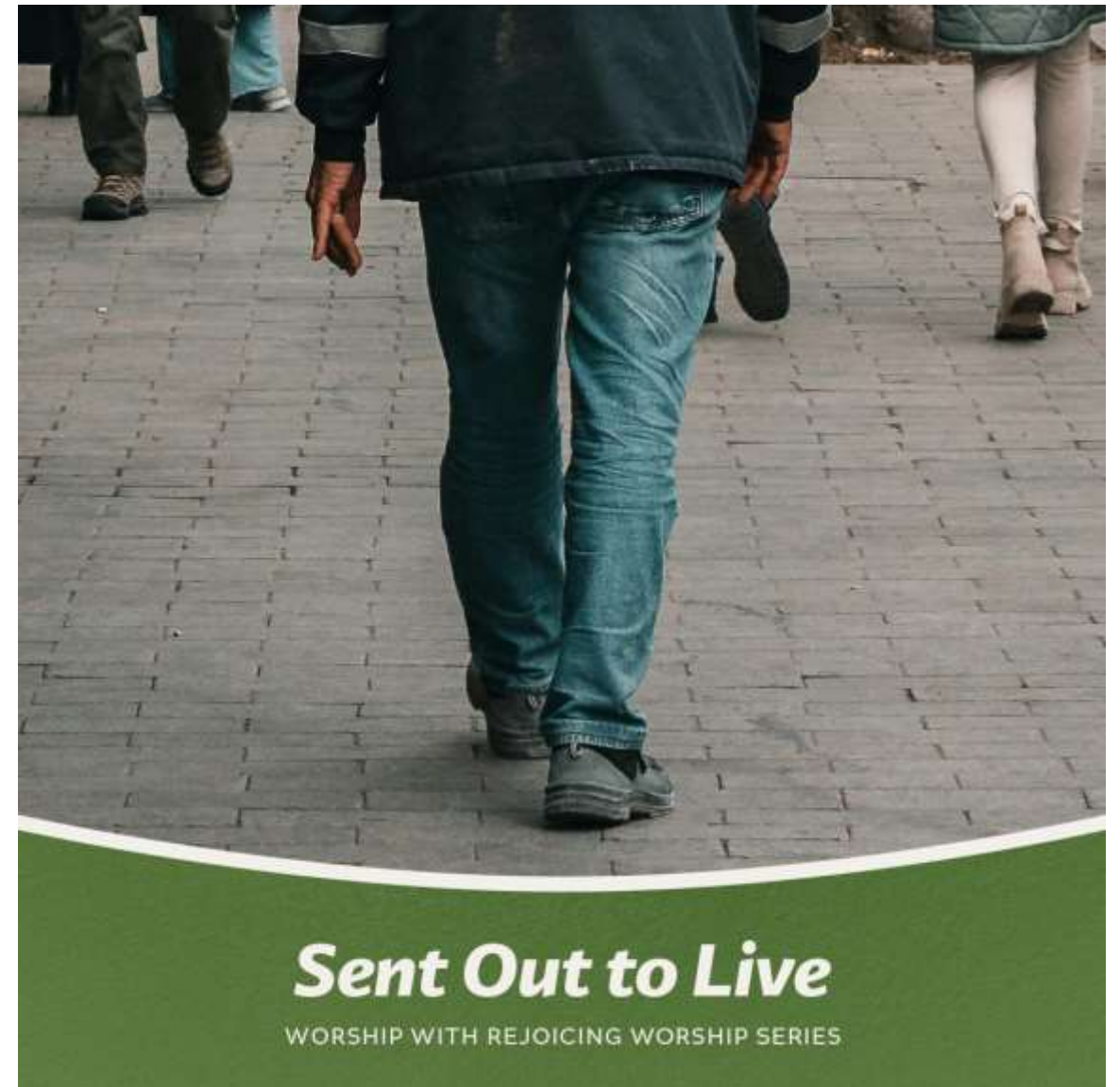
Peace in Israel, Palestine, and Ukraine
For peace & wisdom in areas of conflict
Wisdom & safety for government officials globally
President Joe Biden and VP Kamala Harris
For gentle and honest campaigns & election
Safety for Trump and Harris as they campaign
Veterans and Service Members
Civilians, leaders, 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
NarSarah Village and Clinic, Sierra Leone
Eileen Williams – muscles
Bradley McGowan – ALS
Linda Philbin – motor neuropathy & healing
Jean Neideigh – healing (MS)
Ben Neideigh – healing after a fall
Noah Boughter, Sophie and family
Heather Lindsey
Jake Ruhl – hip and shoulder pain

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, 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
Denny Armstrong – kidney failure
Carol Dronke – healing
Daryl Hawthorne – healing after shoulder surgery
Terry Kofroth – healing from back surgery
Bob & Phyllis Miller – healing
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
Pat Prebot (Jake's sister) – healing for broken hip
Lexi Compton – treatment for tumor on spine (which
has shrunken 50% in size)
Dolly Bankert – severely bruised knee
Ron Lunn – new start in NJ
Joshua Bitner – Crohn's Disease
People who are unhoused in extreme heat
Bishop Cynthia Moore-KoiKoi who is appointed to
Eastern PA and Greater New Jersey Conferences
Dottie Sheaffer – healing
Diana Valentine – healing after surgery
Don Campbell – healing
Andrea – neck & back pain
Barb and Jim Royer – health issues
Michelle Bame & coworkers after death of a
colleague

OUR PRAISES:

God's loving presence in the midst of struggles
Those who have seen healings from prayer
MaryAnn Unangst – healing back in apartment

*Please submit prayer needs, praises, & updates by
note or email to the office: faithumc@hotmail.com*



Welcome

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August 25, 2024 at 10:30 AM – 14th 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

Disciples of Christ, why have you gathered today?

To worship God, who lives among us.

God lives among us all the time, so why have you gathered today?

To remind one another that God lives among us as we worship.

When you scatter from this place, what will you take with you?

Hearts open to recognize God living among us.

Then, come! Let us worship together!

We come to worship with rejoicing the Triune God who lives, loves, and moves among us as we gather and as we are sent from this place! Amen.

Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, May 2024

*HYMN

Marching to Zion

UMH #733

SCRIPTURE LESSON

1 Kings 8:1, 6, 10-11, 22-30, 41-43

John Rice

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

CHILDREN’S TIME

Michelle Bame

*HYMN

Better Is One Day

MSFPW 2 #60

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

UMH #895

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalms 84

John Rice

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 6:10-20

John Rice

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

*HYMN

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

UMH #103

SCRIPTURE LESSON

John 6:56-69

John Rice

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

SERMON

Sent Out to Live

Pastor Jason

BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH

Pastor Jason

*HYMN

Lead On, O King Eternal

UMH #580

* 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. **We need a second adult to chaperone and provide a meal on August 25 & September 8. No Youth Group Sept 1.**

YOUTH AT GRETNA GLEN: Fall Fun Day is October 20th from 12:00-4:00 with Youth Group Night immediately following from 4:00-5:30 PM. Families are invited to come and be a part of the Fall Fun Day. November 17th is Youth Group Night from 3:30-7:00pm. *Please sign up in the church hallway or by contacting Pastor Jason if you will be attending. We need adults who are willing to drive and chaperone for these monthly events for 2024. We will not be using the van from another church, so help is needed.*

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 meet every other Monday from 5-6:30 PM in the first classroom in the Education Wing at Faith UMC. Our next meetings are August 26 & September 9.** 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: September 19 at 5:00 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. (Sept 4 & 18): <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82483314676?pwd=K2ZtZGQ0LzBOeIVlVlXQwUk5LR2VFQ09>. Reimagine Justice Lancaster meets online at Noon on Tuesdays of the opposite weeks (Aug 27, Sept 10 & 24) at: <https://verainstitute.zoom.us/j/92512144651>

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 \$7 certificates from S. Clyde Weaver for a delicious made-to-order sub at any of their locations with over 7+ varieties on sub rolls, bread or wraps. Support our ministries & get a discount! See Carol.

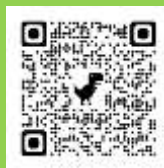
FAITH FRIENDSHIP MINISTRIES is a Faith based group home in Mountville, PA that houses adults with disabilities and mental illnesses. They need craft supplies for their activity department: t-shirts, white baseball hats, tie dye supplies, stickers, holiday stickers, holiday craft supplies for all holidays, poster board, tissue paper, glitter, sequins, yarn, and any other craft supplies anyone wants to donate.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORTS are due August 30. The link and information are available at: <https://www.epaumc.org/charge-conferences/>. There are forms for SPRC, Church Council, Trustees, Finance Team, Auditors, and Lay Leaders to complete. Please contact Pastor Jason to get help accessing the reports.

THANK YOU for your faithfulness to our ministries—through your prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness. As of July 31, giving and fundraisers for our **general ministries has raised \$95,903**, with **\$105,647 in expenses**. That **\$10,000 deficit is significant and we need to work to make up that in fundraisers and giving as we move back into the fall and people return from summer vacations.** 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 (\$12,547)**. We also need to continue to support our debt reduction fund which is used for mortgage payments on the Fellowship Hall and Education Wing. **That debt reduction account now has \$13,337.** However, September 1 we will begin repaying the principal and interest at \$3,336.09 per month (we had been required to only pay interest for the last few months).

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 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 next gathering will be Sat., Sept 7.** Signups appreciated but walk-ins welcome! We look forward to meeting you all!

COLLECTING ITEMS FOR YARD SALE: We can use donations for the Youth Group tables at the yard sale held at Faith UMC on Saturday, Sept. 28. There is an area in the room across from the Youth Room for your yard sale donations. *We do not take clothing. Books can be donated in the 2nd classroom.* **Items may be donated after August 25.** Thank you.

YARD SALE: Saturday September 28 from 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM. *Volunteers and baked goods will be needed. Watch for signup sheets.* You can rent a 20'x20' space for \$20. Proceeds benefit our ministries. To reserve a space click: <https://forms.gle/uChbsWVYThMgZkf46>. Questions? Call/text Gwen @ 717-696-5321. Payments are due when you arrive. Cash or checks only. Checks may be made payable to *Faith UMC*. This outside event will be held rain or shine, and all monies are non-refundable. **Reservations will be taken through Sept 26, 2024.**

PUZZLE PALOOZA! DO YOU LOVE JIGSAW PUZZLES? Are you looking for screen-free fun with your family? Are you looking for a wholesome, slightly competitive activity to do with your friends on a Saturday? Join us at Faith UMC on Saturday, October 19, 2024 from 3:00pm to 4:30pm (check-in at 2:30pm). Get your team of 2-4 together **and let's race to complete a 500-piece puzzle. The winning team gets a prize** along with bragging rights! ALL teams get to keep their puzzles after the event. Pre-registration is required. Only 20 teams will be able to participate. The cost is \$40 per team, due at time of registration. Go to www.FaithUMC.us under "Events & Activities" to find a registration form or under "Online Giving" to register & pay online. No refunds available if a team cannot make the event. You will still receive your puzzle to keep. Individual team member substitutions are allowed.

BIBLE2SCHOOL will be meeting at Faith UMC beginning in September. **Volunteers are needed** to assist on Tuesdays or Wednesdays for 60 – 90 minutes. *Please contact Pastor Jason if you would like to help.*

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.

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 before they unload.** 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

1st & 3rd Tuesdays

Nar-Anon, 7:15-8:45 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 (next meeting Sept 7)

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Monday, Aug 26

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

Thursday, Aug 29

Church Council meeting, 6:00 PM

Wednesday, Sept 4

Ladies' Lunch at Oregon Dairy – RSVP to Sandy Patschke

Thursday, Sept 5

SPRC meeting, 6:00 PM

Saturday, Sept 7

Threads of Faith, 10:00 AM to Noon

Monday, Sept 9

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

Thursday, Sept 12

Finance meeting, 6:00 PM

Sunday, Sept 15

Rally Day

Thursday, Sept 19

Men's Lunch at Oregon Dairy, 11:30 AM

Church & Society meeting via Zoom, 5:00 PM

Thursday, Sept 26

Church Council meeting, 6:00 PM

Saturday, Sept 28

Faith UMC Yard Sale, 8AM – 1 PM – space rentals available

Saturday, Oct 5

Threads of Faith, 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Saturday, Oct 19

Puzzle Palooza, 3:00 – 4:30 PM (Check in at 2:30 PM)

WORSHIP LEADERS for next Sunday, Sept 1 are:

GREETERS/USHERS: Jake Ruhl & Allen Kennedy

LITURGIST: Tim Patschke

CHILDREN'S TIME: Amy Boughter

JUNIOR CHURCH: Lisa Baker & Carol Kennedy

NO YOUTH GROUP: Enjoy the holiday