

PRAYER REQUESTS:

OUR CONCERNS:

Peace in Israel, Palestine, Ukraine & Russia
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
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

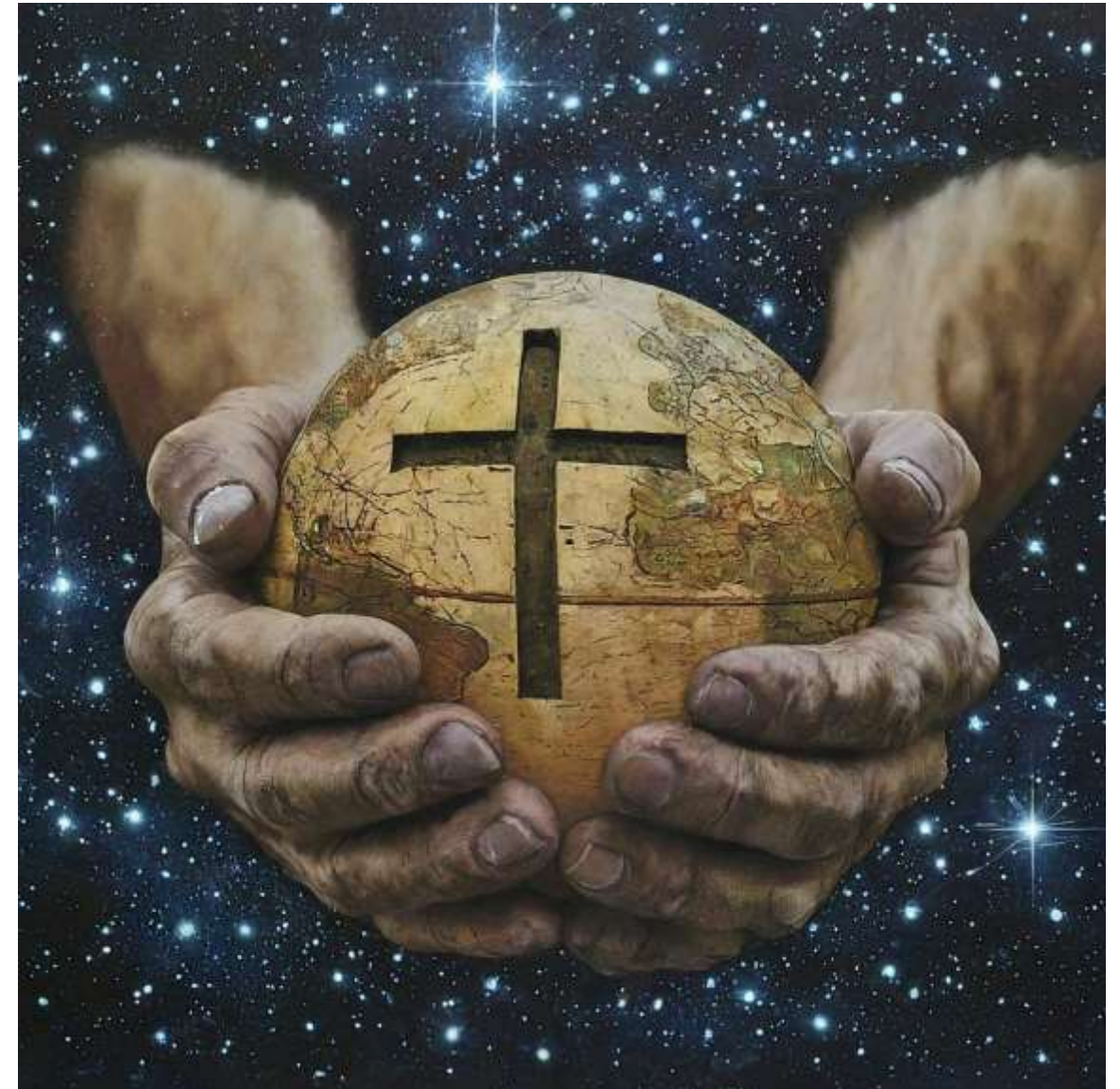
Those with cancer: Cyndi Campbell, Dean Grove,
Mark Reitzel, Duane Lehman, Ruthie, Martin
Campbell, Ben Neideigh, Harmony Chiccarine,
Grandma Edwards, Nat, Tina Miller, Dorcas
Kamanda (in remission), Jim Royer, Adam
Malik, Joan (Nancy's sister-in-law), Isaias
Maldonado (Ramonita's Uncle), Missy Landis;
Gail (friend of Sandy), Hector Rosado, Tim
(Marilyn Jones' nephew), Meleny Fisher (friend
of Daryl)

Bishop Moore-KoiKoi, 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
Dottie Sheaffer – healing after a hip surgery
Diana Valentine – healing after surgery
Andrea – neck & back pain
Family and friends of Barb Royer on her passing
(relatives of Diana Valentine)
Sarah McMullin (Michelle's mom) – healing
Nancy – healing
Derr & Charles Family on death of Carl and his son
Gideon
Family of Don Campbell on his passing
MaryAnn Unangst – healing after a fall
Bob & Phyllis Miller – healing
Those who have lost pets recently
Children, families and teachers in Apalachee High
School, Winder, Georgia after school shooting
Doris & Don Brandt – healing after a car accident
Joshua Bitner – healing after surgery

OUR PRAISES:

God's loving presence in the midst of struggles
Those who have seen healings from prayer
Opportunities for education and dedicated teachers
and professors
Bob Miller's surgery went well

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



Welcome

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September 15, 2024 at 10:30 AM – 17th Sunday after Pentecost & Rally Day

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

Buni Harbison & Pastor Jason

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Jason & God’s People

Beloved, the voice of Wisdom calls to us from the street corner, the grocery store aisle, the noisy dinner table, and the quiet places of our hearts. Will you listen? **Yes, with God’s help, we will listen!**

Wisdom calls to us with hard truths, showing us where we’ve strayed in our hearts and as a community and urging us back onto God’s path. Will you follow? **Yes, with God’s help, we will follow!**

Wisdom’s call persists through the twists and turns, the rough patches, the barely discernible paths forward, and the moments we feel completely lost. Will you hold onto Wisdom wherever she takes you?

Yes, with God’s help, we will hold onto Wisdom!

Then Beloved, let us worship God together as we cling to wisdom on our journey along the path of salvation paved with God’s love. **Yes! Let us worship God together! Amen.**

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

*HYMN

Trust and Obey

UMH #467

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Exodus 14:10-31

Buni Harbison

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

CHILDREN’S TIME

Pastor Jason

*HYMN

Trading My Sorrows

MSFPW 2 #75

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Exodus 16:1-5

Buni Harbison

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

*HYMN

‘Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

UMH #462

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

UMH #895

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

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

UMH #95

*HYMN

Open My Eyes, That I May See

UMH #454

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Numbers 13:17-14:10

Buni Harbison

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

SERMON

Faithful Responses: Changes

Pastor Jason

BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH

Pastor Jason

*HYMN

Precious Lord, Take My Hand

UMH #474

** 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

RALLY DAY LUNCHEON TODAY: After the worship service, everyone is welcome to join us in the fellowship hall for a special luncheon for everyone to catch up after our summer breaks and enjoy some fellowship together.

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 Sundays in September & October.**

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 Sept 23 & Oct 7.** This is open to the church and community. Contact Pastor Jason for more info or to register.

BIBLE2SCHOOL will be meeting at Faith UMC **beginning on September 17 for 3rd Grade and September 18 for 4th and 2nd Grade** students from Reidenbaugh Elementary. **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.

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 18, Oct. 2*): <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82483314676?pwd=K2ZtZGQ0LzBOelVlVlXQwUk5LR2VFQ09>. Reimagine Justice Lancaster meets online at Noon on Tuesdays of the opposite weeks (*Sept 24 & Oct 8*) 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.

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.

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND THE WELCOME SERVICES FOR OUR NEW BISHOP CYNTHIA MOORE-KOIKOL. Eastern Pennsylvania will gather on Sat., Sept 21, 2024, at 10:30 a.m. at West Lawn UMC, 15 Woodside Ave. West Lawn, PA. The service will also be livestreamed from www.EPAUMC.org

SERMON SERIES: Faithful Responses in the Real World is our new sermon series. We will address various topics and how we address them in a way that is faithful to the Scriptures and our walk with God, realizing that we are *called to be in the world but not of the world* (John 17:4-7). So, we will explore how to respond to illness and grief, parenting, challenging issues in our communities, career opportunities, finances, etc. If there are topics that you would like to see addressed in this series, please contact Pastor Jason by email, phone, text message or a note in the prayer basket (which can be anonymous). This would be a great series to invite your friends and family to hear as they seek Godly advice on the real life situations and struggles.

SOUP SALE: Fall is approaching, which means it's time for our Fall SOUP-er Fundraiser! Faith United Methodist Church is holding our Oregon Dairy Soup Sale! We are taking orders for Oregon Dairy Soups by the quart. Orders will be ready for **pick up on Saturday October 12th from 10am-12pm** at Faith UMC. **Orders with payment due by Sunday September 22nd.** Walk in purchases for quarts on the 12th as available.

All varieties available! Vegetable Beef, Chicken Corn Soup, Tomato Bisque, Creamy Potato Soup, Chicken Corn Noodle and Ham and Bean Soup. \$10/quart. Orders can be placed by calling Faith UMC at 717-560-0321, by email at faithumc@hotmail.com or by visiting us online at faithumc.us and clicking on Online Giving.

If you would like to volunteer to **help fill quarts on Friday, October 11th at 5:30 or help during the pickup time on the 12th, please sign up** in the hall or contact Lisa Baker at 717-615-6707.

TRUTH & JUSTICE: RACIAL EQUITY & THE \$400 MILLION JAIL: Join the Conversation on September 24 from 6-8PM as we Reimagine Justice in Lancaster. We're hosting an important discussion on the \$400 million Lancaster jail proposal and exploring how we can reimagine justice in our communities. Let's come together to ask: How do we care for our citizens? How can we invest our resources to break the cycle of incarceration? This community conversation is presented by YWCA Lancaster's Racial Equity Profile Action Team, Lancaster Bail Fund, POWER Interfaith Lancaster County, and the Lancaster Bail Reform Coalition. Location: Brightside Opportunities Center, 515 Hershey Ave, Lancaster, PA 17603. Dinner provided. Spanish/English interpretation and Childcare available by request. Add your voice to our collective effort toward healing justice! Register at <https://ywalancaster.org/events/the-price-of-justice-racial-equity-and-the-400-million-dollar-jail/>

YARD SALE: Saturday September 28 from 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM. *Volunteers and baked goods will be needed. There is a signup sheet in the hall.* You can rent a 20'x20' space for \$20. Proceeds benefit our ministries. To reserve a space click: <https://forms.gle/6NV7P67PrvrhEEeQ6>. 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.**

COLLECTING ITEMS FOR YARD SALE: We can use donations for the Youth Group tables at the yard sale. 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. You may start bringing items in now.* Thank you.

TRUNK OR TREAT: Come and join us **Saturday October 26th for our Annual Trunk or Treat event from 6-8pm!** Decorate your car trunks and hand out candy to the kids in our community. We will have pumpkin decorating, lawn games, free hot dogs, and more. **Volunteers are needed.** If you would like to join in by either being a part of the trunk brigade or volunteering with the kitchen, dining room, games or pumpkin decorating, please contact Lisa Baker at 717-615-6707 or sign up in the hall.

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! Work on your projects while we chat and share talents in our brightly lit, spacious room with plenty of outlets! **Our next gathering will be Sat., October 5.**

THANK YOU for your faithfulness to our ministries—through your prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness. As of August 31, giving and fundraisers for our **general ministries has raised \$105,960, with \$120,145 in expenses.** That **\$14,000 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 (\$9,220).** 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 \$11,940.** We began repaying the principal and interest at \$3,336.09 per month as of September 1 (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 \$3,712 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-Z370/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.



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

Tuesdays

Bible2School in the Fellowship Hall, 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Wednesdays

Bible2School in the Fellowship Hall, 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM

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 Oct 5)

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Thursday, Sept 19

Men’s Lunch at Oregon Dairy, 11:30 AM
Church & Society meeting via Zoom, 5:00 PM)

Sunday, Sept 22

Soup orders and payments due

Monday, Sept 23

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

Thursday, Sept 26

Church Council meeting, 6:00 PM

Saturday, Sept 28

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

Saturday, Oct 5

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

Saturday, Oct 11

Soup Sale Prep, 5:30 PM

Saturday, Oct 12

Soup Sale pick up, 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Saturday, Oct 19

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

Saturday, Oct 26

Trunk or Treat, 6:00 -8:00 PM

WORSHIP LEADERS for next Sunday, Sept 22 are:

GREETERS: Daryl Hawthorne & Terry Kofroth

USHERS: Daryl Hawthorne & Terry Kofroth

LITURGIST: Drew Hassara

CHILDREN’S TIME: Amy Boughter

JUNIOR CHURCH: Gwen Newell & Carol Kennedy

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



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? 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.

DATE: Saturday, October 19, 2024

TIME: 3:00pm to 4:30pm (Check in at 2:30pm)

LOCATION: Faith United Methodist Church
1290 Fruitville Pike, Lititz, PA
(Manheim Township - enter parking lot from Koser Rd)

FEE: \$40 per team* (Due at time of registration)

No refunds available if a team cannot make the event. You will still receive your puzzle to keep. Individual team member substitutions are allowed.

Puzzle Palooza Registration

Team Name (optional): _____

Contact Person: _____
name phone email

Participants: 1. _____ 3. _____

2. _____ 4. _____

Pay by cash or check payable to Faith UMC at the above address or at www.FaithUMC.us under “online giving” or with the QR code.

