

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
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, Meleny
Fisher (friend of Daryl), Geneva (sister of Larry
Landis)
Lexi Compton – treatment for tumor on spine (which
has shrunken 50% in size)
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
Dottie Sheaffer – healing
Andrea – neck & back pain
Nancy – healing
Hank Kloiber – healing after heart attack
Linda Philbin – motor neuropathy & lung cancer
Pat Oglesby (Laura Gehman's sister) – declining
health
Pat Drebot (Jake's sister) – declining health
Rosemary (Marilyn Jones' sister) – declining health
Tom Boehmn (Amanda & Tyler's friend)– healing
Dolly Bankert – healing after knee surgery
Diana Valentine – healing after hand surgery
Terry Kofroth – in hospital with health complications

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
Tim (Marilyn Jones' nephew) – cancer free

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



Welcome

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October 20, 2024 at 10:30 AM – 22nd 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

Buni Harbison & Pastor Jason

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Jason & God's People

Welcome all who long to encounter Jesus, the one who loves, tends, sustains, and saves us.

Jesus said, "the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve."

Welcome all who walk the halls of power, who feel pushed and pulled to fight for position, status, and authority. **Jesus said, "the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve."**

Welcome all who feel burned out, who have given more than they have day in and day out and long for someone to notice that you, too, need help and support.

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Welcome, followers of Christ, who came to serve and show God's abundant love and grace among us.

We come to worship Jesus who shows us that serving is the fruit of our love and being served by one another is the source of our power as the Body of Christ. Amen.

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

*HYMN

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

UMH #140

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Job 1:13-2:13; 42:1-6

John Rice

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

CHILDREN'S TIME

Pastor Jason

*HYMN

Be Still, My Soul

UMH #534

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

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Mark 5:14-43

John Rice

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

*HYMN

God Will Take Care of You

UMH #130

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 4:23-25; James 5:13-18

John Rice

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

SERMON

Faithful Responses: Illness, Death & Loss

Pastor Jason

BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH

Pastor Jason

*HYMN

Standing on the Promises

UMH #374

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

Guest Musicians: Jody & Anthony Wiker **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. *John Rice is filling in as teacher for Michelle. We hope to have you join us each week for this interactive study and discussion.*

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. *Youth will also help with the Trunk or Treat from 5-8:30pm on Saturday, October with the games, pumpkin decorating, etc.*

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. Youth who are carpooling with the youth group should be at Faith at Noon and will return to Faith UMC by 6PM. Families are invited to come and be a part of the Fall Fun Day and to help chaperone the whole event. **Please let Pastor Jason know if you are coming and whether you are carpooling with us or will be transporting your students directly there (and home).** November 17th is the next 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. And let Pastor Jason know if you are willing to drive & chaperone.*

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 Oct 21 & Nov 4.** This is open to the church and community. *We will be starting a new round of classes in the next several weeks. Contact Pastor Jason to register.*

BIBLE2SCHOOL is meeting at Faith UMC on Tuesdays for 3rd Grade and on Wednesdays for 4th and 2nd Grade students from Reidenbaugh Elementary. **Volunteers are needed** to assist on Tuesdays or Wednesdays for 90 minutes. *Please contact Pastor Jason if you would like to help—especially as the classes are growing.*

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: October 17 at 5:00 PM (3rd Thursdays).** *Join us by Zoom only at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82735304374?pwd=eDBSZHRZCVphSnh2TENDZ0xrdG0vQT09>.* To learn more, contact Renee Norman. The **Criminal Justice & Bail Reform Team**, meets online at Noon every other Wed. (Oct 30 & Nov 13): <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82483314676?pwd=K2ZtZGQ0LzBOelVlVlVXQwUk5LR2VFQ09>. Reimagine Justice Lancaster meets online at Noon on Tuesdays of the opposite weeks (Oct 22 & Nov 5) at: <https://verainstitute.zoom.us/j/92512144651>

HOLIDAY CRAFT BAZAAR at OREGON COMMUNITY UMC on Sat., November 16 from 8am-1pm. We are looking for vendors to rent a table to sell their crafts. We also need help to donate food (perhaps making soup with leftover chicken BBQ), sell food, greet guests, and help set up the night before (Friday at 6pm).

NEW MEMBERSHIP CLASS: Pastor Jason will be teaching another new membership class for those who are interested in learning more about Faith UMC and the denomination. We will answer your questions and help you explore whether or not you would like to officially become a member. **We will meet on October 27, November 3 & 10 after worship services. Please contact Pastor Jason if you are interested in being a part of this class.**

VOLUNTEERS: If you are interested in being on a committee or team at Faith UMC please let Pastor Jason and the Nominations Team know where you would like to serve. This could be serving on the Finance Team, Trustees, or Staff Parish Relations; helping with Christian Education (Junior Church, Bible Study, or Youth Group); being a part of Shepherding Missions or Outreach projects; being part of fellowship meals and hospitality; etc.

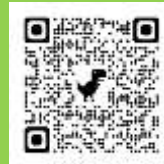
ALL SAINTS SUNDAY: On November 3, we would like to honor all of our loved ones that have passed away since last year. **VETERANS DAY: On November 10** we would like to honor all of our church members and their family who have served in the armed services. **Please email/drop off a photo of your loved ones to the church no later than the Monday before each service** (Oct 28 / Nov 4). Include their full name, date of birth/death, and for veterans their military branch and rank. We will display a slideshow honoring them during the service. *If you sent us photos for service members last year, we have those on file; please just let us know if you want them to be included and if their rank has changed. We may also have obituary photos on file—contact us if you want them used.*

FAITHFUL RESPONSES IN THE REAL WORLD is our current 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). If there are topics that you would like to see addressed in this series, please contact Pastor Jason. 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.

TRUNK OR TREAT: Come and join us **Sat., Oct. 26th for our Trunk or Treat event from 6-8pm!** We will have decorated trunks, pumpkin decorating and lawn games, as well as one free meal per person (hot dog, chips and drink) Additional hot dogs, chips and drinks are available at a low cost. Don't miss out on this fun, free community event. **There is still time to sign up to be part of the trunk brigade!** Sign up in the hall or see Lisa Baker with any questions. We ask cars to be there no later than 5:00 p.m. to be set up and ready to go. We are expecting approximately 250 kids to come through. **Donations are still needed and very much appreciated!** Please see the sign-up sheet for what we still need. **Thank you for helping to make this growing community event a success!**

THANK YOU for your faithfulness to our ministries—through your prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness. We have raised \$130,500, with \$134,250 in expenses. We need to work to make up the \$3,750 deficit as we finish the year. We need about \$4,100 per week in giving toward the general ministry and our mortgage debt reduction.

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.



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.

THREADS OF FAITH: If you like to knit, sew, crochet or quilt, we would like to invite you to Threads of Faith! Join us from **10am - Noon the first Saturday of each month** for fellowship and crafting! Work on your projects while we chat and share talents in our Fellowship Hall! **Our next gathering will be Sat., November 2.**

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 various disabilities. They could use craft supplies for their activity department. See Mission Team for info.

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 Friday at 6pm.

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.**

IMPACT! MISSIONS is a Christian Housing Ministry that helps create warm, safe, and dry homes to be sold to lower-income families and does repairs on homes for existing homeowners without means to do the work themselves. Impact! Missions needs volunteers who are willing to use their skills to help restore these houses. **Leon Bame who has been volunteering. Contact him for more info at 717-344-9924 or leonshe137@gmail.com.**

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 (*3rd Sundays to Gretna Glen Camp instead*)

1st Sundays

Mondays

1st & 3rd Tuesdays

Tuesdays

Wednesdays

Wednesdays

Thursdays

Fridays

1st & 3rd Saturdays

1st Saturdays

Communion offered during worship service, followed by refreshments
GriefShare Group - Every other Monday, 5:00-6:30 PM at Faith UMC
Nar-Anon, 7:15-8:45 PM at Faith UMC

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

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

Worship Team Practice, 6:00 PM

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

Bible Study led by Pastor Jason, 10:00 AM

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

Servant Saturday & Threads of Faith

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Sunday, Oct 20

Fall Fun Day at Gretna Glen, 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM

Youth Group Night at Gretna Glen, 4:00 PM to 5:30 PM

GriefShare Group - Every other Monday from 5:00 to 6:30 PM (also Nov 4 & 18)

Trustees meeting, 6:00 PM

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

New Membership Class, Noon following Worship Services (also Nov3 & 10)

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

Memorial Service for Carl & Gideon Derr, visitation 2:00 PM, service 3:00 PM

Request that pledge cards are returned by this date

Election Day Fundraiser, 7:00 AM to 6:00 PM

Ladies' Lunch at Oregon Dairy, 11:30 AM RSVP to Sandy Patschke

SPRC meeting

Chili Prep, 8:00 AM

Chili Bar FUNdraiser, 12:00 to 2:00 PM

District Resource Team meeting at Faith UMC & via Zoom, 6:30 to 8:00 PM

Finance meeting

Oregon Community UMC Holiday Bazaar, 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Men's Lunch at Oregon Dairy, 11:30 AM RSVP to Mike Bitner

Church & Society meeting via Zoom, 5:00 PM

Church Council meeting, 6:00 PM

WORSHIP LEADERS for next Sunday, Oct 27 are:

GREETERS/USHERS: **volunteers needed**

LITURGIST: Daryl Hawthorne

CHILDREN'S TIME: Pastor Jason

JUNIOR CHURCH: Lisa Baker & Carol Kennedy

YOUTH GROUP: Pastor Jason & Sara Solodky