

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**DRAMATIC READINGS FOR GOOD FRIDAY @ 7PM:** If you are interested in doing a dramatic performance on Good Friday portraying one of the people who experienced Jesus in his last days, please contact Pastor Jason, ASAP. You will be given a script to prepare for the evening service on March 29.

**150<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF OREGON COMMUNITY UMC:** This is the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of worship taking place at the Oregon Community Church. We are planning for some special celebrations throughout this year. If you have ideas or want to be a part of planning for these events, please contact Pastor Jason or Christie Jolly.

**YOUTH GROUP ON SUNDAYS, 5-7 PM at Faith UMC** for 5th-12th graders. Each week there are dinner, games & a lesson. Sign up to be the 2nd adult and/or to provide a meal. For more info or to help, please contact Pastor Jason. **The next Gretna Glen trip is March 17 (3:30-7 PM).**

**GRIEFSHARE GROUP** to help people find support and process the loss of loved ones meets every other Monday from 5-6 PM at Faith UMC. **Next Meetings: March 4 & 18.**

**CHATTING on Mondays at 6:30 PM:** This member-led, discussion group meets online at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86190453518?pwd=cEVDeDljeThaaWVIYjlQWmZjTm5oUT09>.

**WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY at Oregon Community UMC, 6:30PM.**

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

**THE CHURCH & SOCIETY TEAM** engages in improving our community by standing up against injustice. **Next meeting: March 21 at 5:30 PM (3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays).** **These sessions are by Zoom only at:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82735304374?pwd=eDBSZHRCZVphSnh2TENDZ0xrdG0vOT09>. To learn more, contact Renee Norman. To be a part of the team working on **Criminal Justice & Bail Reform**, join the us online at Noon every Wednesday: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82483314676?pwd=K2ZtZGQ0LzBOelVlVlXQwUk5LR2VFOT09>

**THE LANCASTER FAMILY YMCA 69TH ANNUAL GOOD FRIDAY BREAKFAST** will be held Friday, March 29 at The Farm and Home Center, 1383 Arcadia Road, Lancaster, PA @ 7:30 am (Doors open at 7 am) The speaker will be Rev. Jennifer Mattson from Saint Thomas Episcopal Church in Lancaster, PA, along with live music and a buffet-style breakfast. Tickets are \$20 per person and are required. They may be purchased online at [Registration Options \(donorperfect.net\)](#). *Tickets are NOT available at the door.*

**BREAKFAST WITH THE EASTER BUNNY AND EGG HUNT at Faith UMC!** We are celebrating Spring and the good news that Christ has risen! Come and join us on **Sat., March 16<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 to 10:30 AM with Egg Hunts at 8:30, 9:30 & 10:30 AM.** We will be serving a hot breakfast to enjoy in our dining room or for take-out, with pancakes, sausage and various toppings. Gluten free option available! **Cost is by donation.** The Easter Bunny will be available for photos.

**COLLECTING ITEMS FOR YARD SALE:** While you are doing that spring cleaning, Faith can always use donations for the Youth Group tables at the yard sale at Faith UMC on May 26. There is an area in the room across from the Youth Room for donations. No clothing please. You can donate books in the library room. Thank you.

### EASTER SUNDAY:

Thursday, Mar 28

**Maundy Thursday Service at Salem UMC: Rothsville, 7:00 PM**

Friday, Mar 29

**Good Friday Service at Long Memorial UMC: Neffsville, Noon**

**Good Friday Service at Faith UMC, 7:00 PM**

Sunday, Mar 31

**Easter Sunrise Service at Oregon Community, 6:30 AM**

**Easter Services at Oregon Community, 9:00 AM / Faith UMC, 10:30AM**

**EASTER FLOWER ORDER FORMS** are in lobby. To beautify the sanctuary and have bulbs to plant in your own yard after Easter, return the order form and payment to Joetta ASAP.

## Welcome to Oregon Community United Methodist Church



**Address:** 1214 Creek Road, Lititz, PA 17543

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**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.**

**OFFICE HOURS:** Pastor Jason is generally available Mon-Thurs from about 9-3pm. He is spending time with family from Friday at Noon through Saturday. If there is an emergency, please leave a detailed message.

# Oregon Community United Methodist Church

March 3, 2024 at 9:00 AM – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Lent

**W**ELCOME: For forty days, Jesus wandered the wilderness in prayer and fasting in preparation for his ministry. We gather this morning as part of our journey to follow Jesus more closely and to prepare ourselves for remembering his death and resurrection at Easter. We are so glad that you have joined us on the path. 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. Together, we listen to hear God speak to us anew as individuals and as community.

## GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Jason

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Jason & God's People

Lenten travelers, why are you here? **We gather to do the work of worship.**

Lenten travelers, what happens when we gather to worship?

**We listen and proclaim. We sing and pray. We repent and encourage.**

Lenten travelers, how do we do the work of worship?

**We bring all that we are to be present to God and one another.**

Lenten travelers, what work does God do in worship?

**God raises us up so that we can delight in life together with God and one another.**

Lenten travelers, come, let us worship God together! **Come, let us worship God together! Amen.**

*Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, October 2023*

### \*HYMN

*Have Thine Own Way, Lord!*

UMH #382

### SCRIPTURE LESSON

**Exodus 20:1-17**

Dot Lange

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

### CHILDREN'S TIME

Pastor Jason

### SCRIPTURE LESSON

**Psalms 19**

Dot Lange

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

### \*HYMN

*When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

UMH #298 v. 1, 3, 4

### SCRIPTURE LESSON

**1 Corinthians 1:18-25**

Dot Lange

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

### THE PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

### \*HYMN

*Lord of the Dance*

UMH #261 v. 1-3, 5

### SCRIPTURE LESSON

**John 2:13-22**

Dot Lange

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

### SERMON

*I Will Raise It Up*

Pastor Jason

### COMMUNION

UMH #12-13

*All are invited to the Lord's Table to receive God's forgiveness and grace through Communion*

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

#### \*Doxology

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

UMH #95

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING & THE LORD'S PRAYER

UMH #13-14 & #895

### RECEIVING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

#### \*HYMN

*Come, Sinners, to the Gospel Feast*

UMH #15

#### \*HYMN

*For the Bread Which You Have Broken*

UMH #616

UMH #614

### BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH

Pastor Jason

#### \*HYMN

*What Wondrous Love Is This*

UMH #292 v. 2 & 3

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

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

**Liturgists:** March 3 Dot Lange; 10 Bob Jolly; 17 Mike Shifflet; 24 Ralph Stone; 31 Pastor Jason

### BIRTHDAYS: March 10 Sandy Baird; 20 Kathy Fisher

**PRAYER REQUESTS:** Dot Lange and family on the passing of sister and brother-in-law; Rev. Sally Ott - spinal surgery; Tracy and Eddie Dean (Pastor Jason's cousins) for healing from foot surgery and broken leg; Perkowski Family and 3 foster boys; Bob Perkowski, neck surgery; Renia Perkowski, neural stimulator; Brent Rollins, strokes; Denny Armstrong, healing after colon surgery & kidney failure; Shifflet's neighbors, health; Garner Family, health; Mark Fahnstock, cancer; Frank & Charlene, health; Alfred Byrd, lungs; Joanne, scleroderma; Larry Cooper, continued healing and relief from back surgery, pain and an infection; Gene Denlinger, healing after surgery; Dustin Oakes, esophagus; Cynthia Kelly's mother, broken hip & dementia; all those in mourning; Vince Habel, healing; Shirley Baker, healing; Cheryl Cooper healing from surgery & MS; Bruce, hamstring; Fritsch & Stone family; Rev. Dorcas, healing from cancer and travels to Sierra Leone; Cynthia from NJ, battling cancer; Shirley Gehr; Kevin's kidneys (Joetta's grandson); Josh & Megan (Jackie's grandkids); Foster families; Kathy Muth, cellulitis; Jack Muth, brain cancer; Chuck Flory, ALS; Bob Rinier; Judy Brivchik, eyesight; all those with cancer; Campus Ministries; Bishop John Schol, Conference Staff, DS Jenny Freymoyer, Pastors and Laity. **PRAISES:** God's presence and healings. **PRAYERS FOR THE WORLD:** The people of Israel, Palestine, Ukraine & Russia; Wisdom & safety for government officials globally; President Joe Biden and VP Kamala Harris; Healthy and gentle campaigns and election process; Prayers for all political candidates - safety & wisdom; Victims of gun violence; The UMC & disaffiliations; Veterans & Service members; police & medical personnel; the sick & caregivers; victims of violence & racism; peace, wisdom & reconciliation; abused persons & abusers; all affected by disasters; refugees & immigrants; the hungry, homeless & incarcerated; students, teachers & staff; libraries & staff; those struggling with addictions or mental illness; seniors; those grieving; our ministries & community.



**OFFERINGS:** Thank you to everyone that supports our ministries. **Please consider if you are able to make a gift.** You can set up recurring donations through your own financial institution or at [www.OregonCommunityUMC.US](http://www.OregonCommunityUMC.US) or via the QR Code. You can direct gifts to the **General Ministry, Building Funds, or UMCOR relief efforts (via <https://umcmmission.org>.)** We are able to receive gifts from **Required Minimum Distributions** from tax deferred **Retirement Accounts** (of those over 73 years of age), **Stocks, Bonds, Investments, Foundations, IRAs, etc.**

**IN NEED OF HELP?** Contact Pastor Jason, dial 2-1-1 or visit [www.211.org](http://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.**

**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.*

**PASTOR JASON ON HALF-TIME PATERNITY LEAVE UNTIL EASTER:** He will continue to preach, lead the Youth Ministry & Grief Share, teach Bible2School & Friday Bible Study, and provide pastoral care. **If committees want Pastor Jason to attend meetings, contact him in advance. For pastoral needs, call, email or text with a detailed message. He will primarily be available when the boys are in school.** Sundays are focused on worship service and youth ministry. **9am-3pm Monday-Thursdays are the best time to reach him.**