ANNOUNCEMENTS:

OREGON COMMUNITY UMC 150th ANNIVERSARY COMMUNITY CELEBRATION on June 22 from 2-6PM ending with a 6PM Worship

Service and Dessert Reception. There will be live music at 2pm with Tara and Mike, yard games and activities for kids and adults, a bounce house, free food, and a worship service to celebrate 150 years of service in the community. Please join us for this event—and invite family, former members as well as your neighbors to celebrate with us.

150th ANNIVERSARY OF OREGON COMMUNITY UMC: We are planning for special celebrations throughout this year. If you have ideas or want to be a part of these events, contact Christie Jolly or Pastor Jason. Sign-up sheets are in the lobby.

NEIGHBORHOOD YARD SALE at Faith UMC: Join us and our neighbors from Wetherburn North for a neighborhood yard sale on **May 25 from 7am – 1pm. Space rentals at Faith UMC are available for \$20.** You may make a reservation for a space by calling 717-696-5321 or visiting www.FaithUMC.us for a link to sign up.

COLLECTING ITEMS FOR YARD SALE: We can use donations for the Youth Group tables at the yard sale held at Faith UMC on Saturday, May 25. You can place items in the room across from the Youth Room. We do not take clothing. You can donate books as well in the library classroom. Thank you.

SCRAPBOOK PLANNING MEETING ON MONDAY, MAY 13 at Faith UMC

SCRAPBOOK EVENT will take place on Sat., August 10 from 9am-5pm at Faith UMC as a joint fundraiser. NEXT PLANNING MEETINGS on MONDAY MAY 13 & July 8 at 6:30PM at Faith UMC Please join us if you are interested in helping to plan this event and to serve on the day of the event. Sign-up sheets coming soon.

YOUTH GROUP ON SUNDAYS, 5-7 PM at Faith UMC for 5th-12th graders. Each week there is dinner, games & a lesson. Sign up to be the 2nd adult and/or to provide a meal. NO meeting May 12 due to Mother's Day. Sign up to help at the yard sale on May 25.

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 May 13 & June 3. This is open to the church and community. Contact Pastor Jason for more info or to register.

CHATTING on Mondays at 6:30 PM: This member-led, discussion group meets online at: https://us02web.zoom.us/i/86190453518?pwd=cEVDeDljeThaaWVIYjlOWmZjTm5oUT09.

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

FRIDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY at 10AM in Faith UMC Fellowship Hall. No Bible Study May 24



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SUMMER CAMP: REGISTER TO ATTEND A UMC CAMP THIS SUMMER—OR VOLUNTEER AS A COUNSELOR / SUPPORT STAFF. Visit

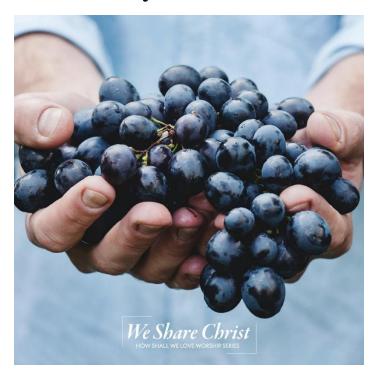
https://www.epaumc.org/ministry/camp-retreat for more information or visit each camp's website.Families with campers in need of financial support should contact the church office.

THE CHURCH & SOCIETY TEAM engages in improving our community by standing up against injustice. Next meeting: May 16 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 Wednesday: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82483314676?pwd=K2ZtZGQ0LzBOelVIVXQwUk5LR2VFQT09

SUB SALE: Faith UMC has S. Clyde Weaver Certificates for \$7.00 to use for a made-to-order sub at any of their locations. You have 7+ varieties of sandwiches. Support ministry while getting a discount. Contact Carol, 560-0321.

Welcome to Oregon Community United Methodist Church





Address: 1214 Creek Road, Lititz, PA 17543

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Pastor: The Rev. Jason Perkowski

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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

May 12, 2024 at 10:30 AM – 7th Sunday of Easter, Ascension Sunday & Mother's Day

ELCOME: Today we remember and testify to the resurrection of Jesus, God's Son and our Messiah. He chose to come and live among us, willingly died on the cross for us, and then rose from the dead to redeem our souls. The Father has seated the Son at His Right Hand and sent the Holy Spirit to minister to us powerfully. 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 that you are here!

GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Jason

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Jason & God's People

Easter people, raise your voices, for you belong to the Risen Christ!

We belong to Christ, and so we share in Christ together.

Just as we share in Christ together, so we are called to share Christ with the world.

We share Christ by proclaiming the good news of God's love to the world.

How will you share God's love with the world?

By loving, respecting & honoring our neighbors, especially those the world neglects, overlooks & ignores.

Easter people, you belong to the Risen Christ!

Because we belong to Christ, we will share Christ's love and belonging everywhere we go.

Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, January 2023

*HYMN To God Be the Glory UMH #98

SCRIPTURE LESSON Psalm 1 Mike Shifflet

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

CHILDREN'S TIME Pastor Jason

*HYMN Take Time to be Holy UMH #395

SCRIPTURE LESSON Acts 1:15-17, 21-26 Mike Shifflet

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 1 John 5:9-13 Mike Shifflet

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

THE PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER UMH #895

*HYMN What a Friend We Have in Jesus UMH #526

SCRIPTURE LESSON John 17:6-19 Mike Shifflet

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

SERMON We Share Christ Pastor Jason

BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH Pastor Jason

*HYMN O Jesus, I Have Promised UMH #396

Pianist: Jody Wiker **Pastor:** The Rev. Jason Perkowski **Ministers:** The People of God **Liturgists: May 5** Bob Jolly; **12** Mike Shifflet; **19** Dot Lange; **26** Ralph Stone

BIRTHDAYS: May 15 Josh Zimmerman; 21 Lillian Frisch; 23 Julie Perkowski; 30 Vince Habel

PRAYER REQUESTS: Twin baby boys in foster care with Jason & Julie; Birth of Odette Brown and healing for prenatal health issues; Bishop Schol, DS Freymoyer & EPAUMC Staff; Laity and Clergy of the UMC; The UMC Delegates & Bishops as they return from General Conference & provide leadership & communication on decisions; unity & love in the church universal & the UMC; Pastoral transitions for Long Memorial, Emmanuel and Salem: Rothsville UMC; Jane Hess, pain after surgery; Josh Zimmerman, enlisting in Marines; Brent Rollins, strokes; Denny Armstrong, healing after colon surgery & kidney failure; Frank & Charlene, health; Alfred Byrd, lungs; Joanne, scleroderma; those in mourning; Vince Habel, Shirley Baker, Cheryl Cooper and Larry Cooper for healing; 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. **PRAISES:** Pastor Hedwige Mutwale coming to serve and for final month at Drew Seminary; 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; 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; all struggling with addictions or mental illness; seniors; those grieving; etc.



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 or via the QR Code. You can direct gifts to the General Ministry, Building Funds, or UMCOR relief efforts (via https://umcmission.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 to reach the United Way Call Center for social services. The Crisis Intervention Lifeline is (717) 394-2631 or dial 9-8-8.

2024 EPA ANNUAL CONFERENCE, May 21-23, at Wildwoods Convention Center. To see the agenda, hotel options and other information, visit the <u>AC2024 webpage</u>, Volunteers are needed to serve as an usher, minute taker or tellers. If you are interested in being an equalizing lay delegate, please contact Pastor Jason or DS Freymoyer.

FAITH IN ACTION: Church World Services has found permanent housing for the Pendacheko family who moved here from the Democratic Republic of the Congo. They moved into a house in Lebanon last weekend. Thank you for your generous donations to help get them started.

DOG WASH AT FAITH UMC on Saturday, June 8 from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM

OPERATION OVERBOARD VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL, July 22-26 from 6-8 PM. You are invited to help lead VBS or to enroll the kids in your life to attend. We need help with designing crafts and sets, guiding children from one area to another, teachers, games, food prep and service for snacks, leading music, AV, etc. Contact Carol Kennedy at 717-560-0321 or faithumc@hotmail.com if you are interested.

^{*} You are invited to stand in body or in Spirit