

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 planning 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 EVENT will take place on Sat., August 10 from 9am-5pm at Faith UMC as a joint fundraiser. **NEXT PLANNING MEETINGS on 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 provide a meal in the hall or by contacting Pastor Jason. **Sign up to help at the yard sale on May 25. Arrive at 6AM to move materials from classroom to yard. NO meeting May 26—enjoy the holiday!**

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 June 3 & 17.** 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/j/86190453518?pwd=cEVDeDljeThaaWVlYjIjQWmZjTm5oUT09>.

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



SUMMER CAMP: REGISTER TO ATTEND A UMC CAMP THIS SUMMER—OR VOLUNTEER AS A COUNSELOR / SUPPORT STAFF. Visit <https://www.epaumc.org/ministry/-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: June 20 at 5:30 PM (3rd Thursdays).** **Join us by Zoom only at:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82735304374?pwd=eDBSZHRHCZVphSnh2TENDZ0xrdG0vQT09>. 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=K2ZtZGQQLzBOeIVlVXQwUk5LR2VFQT09>

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



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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 19, 2024 at 9:00 AM – Pentecost

WELCOME: The Spirit of God blew across the waters in the act of creation, inspired life in Adam & Eve, filled the Temple in the days of Solomon, & filled the disciples of Jesus with prophetic power on the day of Pentecost! 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!

GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Jason

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Jason & God's People

Beloved of God, pay attention. Did you notice? There are dry bones all around us. In our neighborhoods, our workplaces, our schools, our community and nation and world. They pop up wherever people are parched for love and dignity, provision and flourishing. We notice them, and we wonder: **Will these bones live?**

Pay attention. Can you hear it? So many of us carry dry bones that clank around in our hearts. Dreams that are dying. Gifts that are languishing. Hopes left undernourished and neglected. Loneliness that eats away at our sense of connection with one another until we wonder: **Can these bones live?**

Pay attention. Can you feel it? The Holy Spirit breathes among us. Breathe in love. Breathe in provision. Breathe in connection and flourishing. Because the Spirit never quits breathing among us, assuring us:

These bones will live.

Pay attention. Can you sense it? God is always putting us back together. In dreams of abundance and visions of cooperation, in the cacophony of voices who share and receive the good news in their own languages, the Spirit revives us and restores us, reminding us:

These bones live, because Love dwells among us, now and always. Thanks be to God!

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

*HYMN

Surely the Presence of the Lord

UMH #328 (Repeat 2x)

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalms 104:24-34, 35b

Dot Lange

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

CHILDREN'S TIME

Pastor Jason

*HYMN

O Spirit of the Living God

UMH #539

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Romans 8:22-27

Dot Lange

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

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

John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

Dot Lange

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

*HYMN

We Are the Church

UMH #558

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Acts 2:1-21

Dot Lange

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

SERMON

These Bones Will Live

Pastor Jason

BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH

Pastor Jason

*HYMN

Spirit Song

UMH #347

* You are invited to stand in body or in Spirit

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; General Conference Delegates & Bishops as they provide leadership & communication; EPAUMC Annual Conference & Delegates as we meet this week; For 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; Vince Habel, Shirley Baker, Cheryl Cooper and Larry Cooper for healing; All those 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; God's faithful love that is new every morning; God's presence through illness, struggle & loss; Beauty of nature & sunshine. **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; 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://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 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. Pastor Jason, Julie Perkowski, Bob Jolly, John Rice, & Buni Harbison will be attending. Please pray for delegates & the work we'll do.

MANHEIM TOWNSHIP BIBLE2SCHOOL is hosting a **Discovery Event** on Friday, **May 31st, 10:30am-11:30am** at Westminster Presbyterian. This event is for anyone interested in learning more about B2S and ways to get involved. Contact Gwen Marinaro for more information or RSVP: marinarogwen@gmail.com/717-615-3186

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

CALLING ALL KIDS AGES 4-10 from July 22-26 from 6-8 PM!!! It's almost time for VBS at Faith UMC and this year we are going on a deep-sea adventure – **Operation Overboard!** Come and join us for a fun-filled week of skits, games, music, crafts, and snacks. We will meet people of deep faith from both the Old & New Testaments as we invite you into a deeper relationship with God through Jesus Christ. Sign up now by using this link: <https://forms.gle/aqZ6Hi75EUUo7ofN8> or visit our website and click the link in the events section.

VBS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! Adults & youth are invited to volunteer for **Operation Overboard VBS!** There is a sign-up sheet in the hall at Faith UMC or contact Carol Kennedy (717)560-0321 or faithumc@hotmail.com for opportunities to serve! 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.