

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO HELPED WITH THE OREGON COMMUNITY UMC 150<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY COMMUNITY CELEBRATION ON JUNE 22.** We appreciate everyone who helped serve food, assisted with games, oversaw the bounce house, greeted people, provided music and helped with the service, etc. It was a great day and we are grateful for all your support to run a fun and meaningful event. We also thank everyone who worked on the remodeling—painting, pulling out old carpet, laying the floor, replacing hardware, etc. It is part of the hospitality that impacts how people feel as they come to worship and fellowship with us. We are so grateful for our first 5 generations together even as we continue to prepare to serve the generations yet to come!



**SCRAPBOOK EVENT** will take place on **Sat., Aug. 10 from 9am-5pm at Faith UMC as a joint fundraiser.** **NEXT PLANNING MEETINGS on July 8 at 6:30PM at Faith UMC.** All are invited to help. For \$25 you will have a 4' x 30" table to work on scrapbooking. You can choose a person to share the other half of your table. We will help carry in your supplies from your car. There will be door prizes. Food available to buy. You may pay via "[Online Giving](#)" and selecting "Scrapbook Crop" or by mailing a check to the church made out to "Faith UMC." You can [REGISTER ONLINE](#) or by mailing a form to Faith UMC, 1290 Fruitville Pike, Lititz 17543. Register now.

**THREADS OF FAITH:** If you like to knit, sew, crochet or quilt, Faith UMC would like to invite you to Threads of Faith! Whether you are experienced or just learning, you are welcome to join us from 10am - Noon the first Saturday of each month for a time of fun and fellowship! Bring your sewing machines and supplies and work on your projects or start a new one while we chat and share talents in our brightly lit, spacious room! Our first gathering **will be Saturday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>.** Signups appreciated but walk-ins welcome! We look forward to meeting you all!

**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. **June 30 we have a 2<sup>nd</sup> adult, but need a volunteer to bring a meal. NOW THAT IT IS SUMMER, THOSE ENTERING 5TH GRADE IN THE FALL ARE INVITED TO START ATTENDING YOUTH GROUP!! WELCOME!**

**GRIEFSHARE** helps people process the loss of loved ones and to find support. There is a video curriculum, discussion & mutual support. **We meet every other Monday from 5-6:30 PM in the Education Wing at Faith UMC. Our next meetings are July 1 & 15.** This is open to church & community. See Pastor Jason for info.

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

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



**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.**

**GENERAL CONFERENCE INFO:** Discover Key Outcomes of the Historic 2024 General Conference: <https://www.resourceumc.org/en/content/general-conference-legislative-recap>. Talk to your congregation about the mission and ministry of The UMC: <https://www.resourceumc.org/en/content/talking-to-your-congregation-about-general-conference-2020>. Video overview: Experience General Conference and share it with others: <https://www.resourceumc.org/en/content/wrap-up-video-general-conference-2020>

**MEDICINE BOTTLE COLLECTION:** We send 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. *Please note: we are only able to use the smaller bottles that measure approximately 1.25 inches in diameter by 3 inches tall.*

## Welcome to Oregon Community United Methodist Church



**Address:** 1214 Creek Road, Lititz, PA 17543  
**Church Phone:** (717) 656-7198  
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**Facebook:** Oregon Community UMC

**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.



June 23, 2024 at 9:00 AM – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

**W**ELCOME: God is beyond our understanding but comes to us in many different ways to be revealed so that we may know the love of God more. 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, when sorrow and hardship abound and events across an ocean and down the block shake our resolve and make us question what good the good news is evening doing, God calls to us... **Open your heart.** When fear and misinformation infiltrate our relationships, and we don't know who to trust or how to do the next right thing, God calls to us... **Open your heart.** When joy overflows, and we witness the fruit of grace all around us, transforming our lives and our communities into places of connection and flourishing, God calls to us... **Open your heart.** May this time of worship be for each of us a time to listen to God's call to open our hearts and accept the divine invitation to say yes to the work of grace in us, among us, and all around us.

**God, we open our hearts to receive your gift of grace, knowing you hold us securely in the palm of your hands that we might have the courage to live in vulnerable community with you and one another. Amen.**

*Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, April 2024*

**\*HYMN**

*Victory In Jesus*

UMH #370

**SCRIPTURE LESSON**

**1 Samuel 17: 4, 8-9, 32-49**

Dot Lange

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

**CHILDREN'S TIME**

Pastor Jason

**\*HYMN**

*It Is Well with My Soul*

UMH #377

**SCRIPTURE LESSON**

**Psalms 9:9-20**

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

**SCRIPTURE LESSON**

**Mark 4:35-41**

Dot Lange

*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

**TESTIMONIES OF GOD'S PRESENCE & MINISTRY FOR 150 YEARS**

The People of God

**\*HYMN**

*Be Still My Soul*

UMH #534

**SCRIPTURE LESSON**

**2 Corinthians 6:1-13**

Dot Lange

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

**SERMON**

*In Sorrow and in Rejoicing*

Pastor Jason

**BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH**

Pastor Jason

**\*HYMN**

*Through It All*

UMH #507

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

**Pianist:** Jody Wiker **Pastor:** The Rev. Jason Perkowski **Ministers:** The People of God  
**Liturgists:** June 2 Bob Jolly; 9 Mike Shifflet; 16 Dot Lange; 23 Ralph Stone; 30 Pastor Jason

**BIRTHDAYS:** June 22 Josiah Boyle; 28 Dot Lange; 30 Larry Cooper

**ANNIVERSARIES:** June 3 Jim & Sharon Garner; 24 Ralph & Bobbie Ann Stone

**PRAYER REQUESTS:** Pastor Hedwige as she begins her ministry serve in our 5 churches; Denny Mateer after back surgery; Twin baby boys in foster care with Jason & Julie; Birth of Odette Brown; Bishop Schol, DS Freymoyer & EPAUMC Staff; Laity and Clergy of the UMC; Jurisdictional Conference Delegates & Bishops as they provide leadership & communication and prepare for the July Session; 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, moving to Utah; Denny Armstrong, kidney failure & Dixie Armstrong, COVID; 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); Foster families; Kathy Muth, cellulitis; Jack Muth, brain cancer; Chuck Flory, ALS; Bob Rinier; Judy Brivchik, eyesight; all those with cancer; Campus Ministries. **PRAISES:** God's presence and healings; Renovations being done to OCUMC and those doing the labor; God's faithful love that is new every morning; God's presence through illness, struggle & loss; Beauty of blooming flowers. **PRAYERS FOR THE WORLD:** The people of Israel, Palestine, Ukraine & Russia; Wisdom & safety for government officials; President Joe Biden and VP Kamala Harris; Healthy and gentle campaigns and election process; political candidates; victims of gun violence; 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; library 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. **The online giving through the conference discontinues at the end of the month.** 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.**

**CALLING ALL KIDS AGES 4-10!!! Vacation Bible School is July 22-26 from 6-8 PM.** 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: <https://forms.gle/aqZ6Hi75EUUo7ofN8>.

**VBS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!** Adults & youth are invited to volunteer for *Operation Overboard* VBS! There is a signup sheet in the hall or contact Carol Kennedy for opportunities to serve, lead & have fun with children from our church and the community! We often have our folks volunteer in this ministry with our sister church.

**MANDATED REPORTER/SAFE SANCTUARIES TRAINING:** You are required to attend this training **annually if you have any interaction with children, youth or vulnerable adults.** Please provide us with a certificate proving that you have done this training or plan to join us on **Monday, July 15 from 6:30 – 8:00 pm for training led by Pastor Jason** —for youth & adults. If you are not able to attend that day training is available online.

**THE CHURCH & SOCIETY TEAM** engages in improving our community by standing up against injustice. **Next meeting: July 18 at 5:30 PM (3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays).** **Join us by Zoom only at:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82735304374?pwd=eDBSZHRRCZVphSnh2TENDZ0xrdG0vQT09>. 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=K2ZtZGQ0LzBOelVlVXQwUk5LR2VFQT09>.

**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.**