

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**ANNUAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORTS** are due **August 30**. The link and information are available at: <https://www.epaumc.org/charge-conferences/>. There are forms for SPRC, Church Council, Trustees, Finance Team, Auditors, and Lay Leaders to complete. Please contact Pastor Jason to get help accessing the reports.

**TAKEOUT SPAGHETTI DINNER AUG. 18, 5-7 PM at Faith UMC.** Spaghetti with meat sauce, salad, bread, & a sweet treat. There is also gluten free pasta and meatless sauce available. *To pre-order call the church office at 717-560-0321 or email FaithUMC@hotmail.com.* Pay what you want. Donations may be made at [www.FaithUMC.us](http://www.FaithUMC.us) under "Online Giving," or in person when you pick up your meal. Donations support Faith UMC ministries.

**THREADS OF FAITH:** If you like to knit, sew, crochet or quilt, we would like to invite you to Threads of Faith! Whether experienced or just learning, you are welcome to join us from **10am - Noon the first Saturday of each month** for fun, fellowship and crafting! 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 with plenty of outlets! **Our next gathering will be Sat., Sept 7.** 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. *We need a second adult to chaperone and provide a meal on August 25. Youth wishing to help with the spaghetti dinner should arrive at 3pm or 5 pm.*

**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.** Families are invited to come and be a part of the Fall Fun Day. November 17th is 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. We need adults who are willing to drive and chaperone for these monthly events for 2024. We will not be using the van from another church, so help is needed.*

**GRIEFSHARE** helps people process the loss of loved ones & to find peer support. There is a video curriculum, discussion & mutual support. **We meet every other Monday from 5-6:30 PM in the 1<sup>st</sup> classroom in the Education Wing at Faith UMC.** *Our next meetings are Aug. 26 & Sept. 9.* This is open to everyone.

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

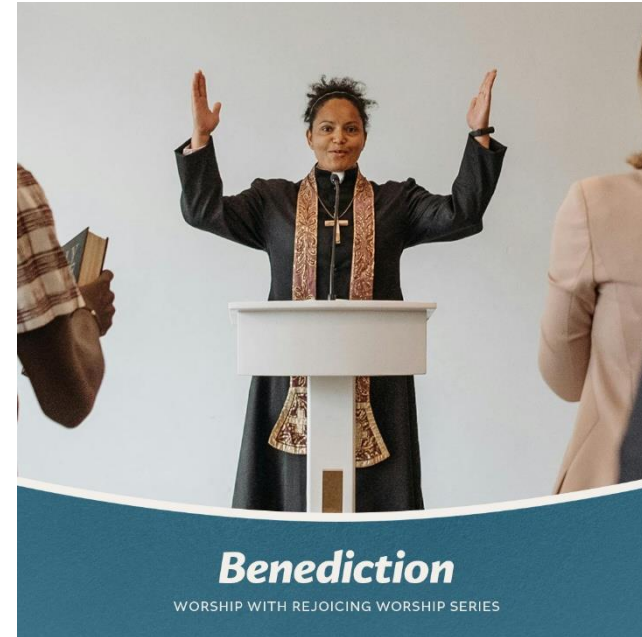
**MEDICINE BOTTLE COLLECTION** for clinics in poor countries. *Please remove all labels and sticky residue.* A basket is in the lobby. *We can only use bottles that are about 1.25 inches in diameter by 3 inches tall.*

**SUB SALE:** Faith UMC has certificates from S. Clyde Weaver for \$7.00. Pick up a delicious made-to-order sub at any of their locations. You have 7+ varieties of sandwiches available on a sub roll, bread or wrap or may pick a ready-made sandwich. You can support our ministries while getting a discounted price! See Carol in office.

**THE CHURCH & SOCIETY TEAM** engages in improving our community by standing up against injustice. **Next meeting: Sept 19 at 5 PM (3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays). Join us by Zoom:** <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 other Wed. (Aug 21 & Sept 4): <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82483314676?pwd=K2ZtZG00LzBOelVlVlXQwUk5LR2VFOT09>. **Reimagine Justice Lancaster** meets online on Tuesdays on opposite weeks at: <https://verainstitute.zoom.us/j/92512144651>

**LANCASTER COUNTY CORRECTIONAL FACILITY DESIGN SCHEMATICS LISTENING SESSION:** There is a listening session scheduled for **Wednesday 8/21 from 6:30-8 PM at the Lancaster County Government Building (150 North Queen) in Room 102/104.** This is to allow for public comment on the draft of the schematic design for the prison / jail. The public can learn more through the project website (<http://lccf-pa.com>) and provide comments via [LCCF@lancastercountypa.gov](mailto:LCCF@lancastercountypa.gov). The LCCF Draft Design Presentation and Schematic Design Report are posted at <https://lccf-pa.com/document-center/>.

## 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 Sanctuary at 9:00 AM at Oregon Community UMC  
**BROADCAST ONLINE** at 10:30 AM from Faith UMC on Facebook  
& church websites under *Online Worship*.

**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



August 18, 2024 at 9:00 AM – 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

**W**ELCOME: 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!

## GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Jason

## \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Jason & God's People

Disciples of Christ, have you come today to receive a good word?

**Yes! We come to receive a good word and blessing to carry with us into the world.**

God blessed Solomon in a dream. Are you ready to dream?

**Yes! We come to dream of God's blessings we will carry with us into the world.**

God blesses us when we worship together. Are you ready to worship?

**Yes! We come to worship God together as we share in the good word of God's grace.**

Then, come! Let us worship with rejoicing!

**Praise be to God who gives us wisdom and draws us together as the family of God! Amen.**

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

## \*HYMN

*God of Love and God of Power*

UMH #578

## SCRIPTURE LESSON

**1 Kings 2:10-12; 3:3-14**

Mike Shifflet

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

## CHILDREN'S TIME

Pastor Jason

## \*HYMN

*Blessed Assurance*

UMH #369

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

UMH #895

## SCRIPTURE LESSON

**Psalms 111**

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

**Numbers 6:22-27**

Mike Shifflet

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

## \*HYMN

*Go Forth for God*

UMH #670

## SCRIPTURE LESSON

**Ephesians 1:1-14**

Mike Shifflet

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

## SERMON

**Benediction**

Pastor Jason

## BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH

Pastor Jason

## \*HYMN

*God Be with You till We Meet Again*

UMH #672

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

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

**Liturgists:** August 4 Bob Jolly; 11 Dot Lange; 18 Mike Shifflet; 25 Ralph Stone

**BIRTHDAYS:** August 6 Cheryl Cooper; 20 Don Hess

**ANNIVERSARIES:** August 20 Don & Jane Hess

**PRAYER REQUESTS:** Vince Habel, heart & kidney problems; Bishop Schol, DS Freymoyer & EPAUMC Staff; Laity and Clergy of the UMC; Bishop Cynthia Moore-Koikoi who will serve EPA & GNJ starting in September; For unity & love in the church universal & the UMC; Kelly's hip surgery; Patty's ALS; Denny Mateer after back surgery; Odette Brown to thrive in body and Spirit; Jane Hess, healing and pain relief; Josh Zimmerman, moved to Utah; Denny Armstrong, kidney failure; Frank & Charlene, health; Alfred Byrd, lungs; Joanne, scleroderma; Shirley Baker, Cheryl Cooper and Larry Cooper for healing; All those battling cancer; Kevin's kidneys (Joetta's grandson); Kathy Muth, cellulitis; Jack Muth, brain cancer; Chuck Flory, ALS; Bob Rinier; Judy Brivchik, eyesight; all those with cancer; **PRAISES:** God's presence and healings; God's faithful love ministry for 150 years at Oregon Community UMC; God's presence through illness, struggle & loss. **PRAYERS FOR THE WORLD:** NarSarah Clinic in Sierra Leone; Udobo School in Durban, South Africa; Olympics and safety; The people of Israel, Palestine, Ukraine & Russia; Wisdom & safety for government officials; President Joe Biden and VP Kamala Harris; Donald Trump & JD Vance for safety in their campaign; healthy and gentle campaigns and election process for all political candidates; victims of gun violence; veterans & military 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; design of new prison and its programs; all struggling with addictions or mental illness; parents, children, teachers, school staff & campus ministries; foster families; 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 was discontinued at the end of July—please cancel those donations and identify new ways to give directly to OCUMC.** 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.**

**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.*

**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.**

**PET PANTRY MISSION PROJECT:** We are supporting the Pet Pantry of Lancaster Co who care for animals and their humans during their times of greatest need, providing lifesaving resources. *Contact 717-560-0321 for info.*

**FAITH FRIENDSHIP MINISTRIES** is a faith-based group home in Mountville, PA that houses adults with disabilities and mental illnesses. They need craft supplies for their activity department: t-shirts, white baseball hats, tie dye supplies, stickers, holiday stickers, holiday craft supplies for all holidays, poster board, tissue paper, glitter, sequins, yarn, and any other craft supplies anyone wants to donate. **Items can be dropped off at either church.**

**REVERBERATE 2024** will take place on Sunday, September 15th, from 6:00 to 8:00 pm (with food trucks from 4:00 to 6:00 pm) in Long's Park, and Water Street Mission would love for us to join them. This free, one-night event will feature powerful testimonies from members of our community, joyful fellowship, and worship from various denominations. It's an opportunity to unite Lancaster County believers in worship to lift one another up.

**YARD SALE AT FAITH UMC: Sat., Sept. 28, 8AM to 1PM.** You can rent a 20'x20' space for \$20. Proceeds benefit their ministries. To reserve a space click: <https://forms.gle/uChbsWVYThMgZkf46>. Questions? Call/text Gwen @ 717-696-5321. Payments are due when you arrive--cash or checks only. Checks may be made payable to *Faith UMC*. This outside event will be held rain or shine, and all monies are non-refundable. **Reservations will be taken through Sept 26, 2024.** **COLLECTING ITEMS FOR YARD SALE:** We can use donations for the Youth Group tables at the yard sale held at Faith UMC on Saturday, Sept. 28. There is an area in the room across from the Youth Room for your yard sale donations. *We do not take clothing. Books can be donated in the 2nd classroom.*