

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR LARRY COOPER on Sat., February 8 at 2PM at Oregon Community UMC. You are invited to come and pay your respects and to offer support to the family.

LUMINA Kids' Night: LUMINA runs a kids' night program at New Creation UMC on Farnum Street in Lancaster City. They teach a lesson; have games, activities & crafts; and offer a meal to the children. **January 27 at 7pm they need volunteers to provide the light meal for 20 people.** It can be chicken nuggets, pizza, spaghetti, hot dogs or whatever you are willing to make. They are willing to reimburse for expenses. **If you are willing to help cook and serve a light meal on either night, please contact Pastor Jason or Cynthia Kelley, ASAP.**

FAITH UMC JOB OPPORTUNITIES: Seeking maturing Christian candidates. **OFFICE MANAGER / ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT & PIANIST** Details visit www.FaithUMC.US

OREGON COMMUNITY UMC ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL at 8 AM meets in the OCUMC Fellowship Hall.

YOUTH GROUP ON SUNDAYS, 5-7 PM at Faith UMC for 5th-12th graders. Each week there is dinner, games & a lesson. All students are invited to join us. To be the 2nd adult and/or provide a meal, sign up in the hall or contact Pastor Jason. **We will go to Gretna Glen Camp on Sun, Jan. 19 (3:30-7pm). Volunteers are needed to carpool to the camp. Please see Pastor Jason if you are willing to help drive the youth and/or chaperone. Stay tuned if things are adjusted due to the weather.**

GRIEFSHARE helps people process the loss of loved ones and to find support from peers. This is open to the church and community. **We will be starting a new round of classes after the New Year.**

BIBLE2SCHOOL is meeting at Faith UMC on **Tues. for 3rd Grade & Weds. for 4th and 2nd Grade** students from Reidenbaugh Elem. **Volunteers needed as Small Group Leaders—especially on Tuesday at 10:20AM**

THE CHURCH & SOCIETY TEAM engages in improving our community by standing up against injustice. **Next meeting: February 20 at 5:00 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 other Wed.

(Jan 22 & Feb 5): <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82483314676?pwd=K2ZtZGQ0LzBOeIVVXQwUk5LR2VFOT09>.

Reimagine Justice Lancaster meets online at Noon on Tuesdays of the opposite weeks (Jan 28 & Feb 11) at:

<https://us05web.zoom.us/j/82819147194?pwd=BF8E8JopVvfExanCW0QPjJ7p9DcbDq.1>

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

THREADS OF FAITH: If you like to knit, sew, crochet or quilt, we would like to invite you to Threads of Faith! Join us from **10am - Noon the first Saturday of each month!** Work on your projects while we chat and share talents in the Fellowship Hall at Faith UMC! **Our next gathering will be Sat., February 1.**

PUZZLE PALOOZA! DO YOU LOVE JIGSAW PUZZLES? Join us at Faith UMC on **Saturday, January 25, 2025 from 10:00am to 11:30am (check-in at 9:30am).** Get your team of 2-4 together and **let's race to complete a 500-piece puzzle. The winning team gets a prize along with bragging rights!** ALL teams get to keep their puzzles after the event. **The cost is \$40 per team, due at time of registration. Information and registration is available at www.FaithUMC.US under Events. Register now!** To join with another team please contact Gwen or the office.

COMMUNITY MEAL: People in need may pick up a **Grab 'n Go Meal at Zion Lutheran Church** in East Petersburg every Monday. **Faith UMC provides sixty Grab 'n Go Meals quarterly.** Our dates for 2025 are: Feb. 3, Apr. 7, Jul 7, and Oct 27. *Contact Carol Kennedy if you are interested in participating in this ministry.*

IMPACT! MISSIONS is a Christian Housing Ministry that helps create warm, safe, and dry homes to be sold to lower-income families and does repairs on homes for existing homeowners in financial distress. They need volunteers to restore these homes. **Contact Leon Bame for more info at 717-344-9924 or leonshe137@gmail.com.** **IMPACT MISSION LUNCH CREW needs volunteers on Thurs. 10AM-Noon to help make bagged lunches for volunteers** at Christ UMC. Contact Sue at sgrimm1028@gmail.com or 717-575-6414.

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

January 19, 2025 at 9:00 AM – 2nd Sunday after the Epiphany

WELCOME: We gather together to worship God! We celebrate that The Holy Spirit came upon the Virgin Mary, the Word of God became flesh within her, & she brought the only begotten Son, Jesus, into the world. May the Spirit of God inspire & fill us as we take this journey together. As we retell the stories of God's faithful love throughout time, may our hearts rejoice! 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

Be still for a moment. What do you hear? What do you smell? What do you feel under your feet? Beloved, God is here. **In the familiar and unfamiliar, God is here with us.**

Take a moment to look around. Whom do you notice? Who isn't here that you expected to see? Whether this community feels brand new or familiar to you, God is here.

In the familiar and unfamiliar, God is here with us.

Take a deep breath. We share this air, this space, this worship home together. In our breathing and worshipping in this time and place, God is here. **In the familiar and unfamiliar, God is here with us.**

God is here. May we pay attention and discern how God brings us together in the familiar and the unfamiliar to be and become the Body of Christ.

May we notice and join in God's work of forming us for community as we worship today. Amen.

Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, August 2024

*HYMN

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

UMH #384

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalm 36:5-10

Mike Shifflet

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

*HYMN

Whom Shall I Send

UMH #582

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

1 Corinthians 12:1-11

Mike Shifflet

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

*HYMN

Here I Am, Lord

UMH #593

SCRIPTURE LESSON

John 2:1-11

Mike Shifflet

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

SERMON

What Concern Is That?

Pastor Jason

BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH

Pastor Jason

*HYMN

Lift Every Voice and Sing

UMH #519

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

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

BIRTHDAYS: January 9 Joetta Henry; 24 Shirley Gehr

PRAYER REQUESTS: Valerie Cooper, healing for vision in her eye; Nat (friend of Wikers), healing; Joanne (Jackie's sister), scleroderma and other significant health issues; Stone & Fritsch family, healing; Erin's father, healing from infection; Ally Lavery, foot surgery; Gary Sellard, chemotherapy; Bernadine's friend Betty, healing; Andrew, freedom from addictions; Vince Habel, heart & kidney problems; Shirley Baker and Cheryl Cooper for healing; Bishop Cynthia Moore-Koikoi; DS Freymoyer & EPAUMC Staff; Laity and Clergy; unity & love in the church; Patty's ALS; Jane Hess, healing; Denny Armstrong, kidney failure; Frank & Charlene, health; Alfred Byrd, lungs; All those battling cancer; Kathy Muth, cellulitis; Jack Muth, brain cancer; Chuck Flory, ALS; Judy Brivchik, eyesight; **PRAISES:** Shifflet's friend Valerie with cancer that is now in remission; God's faithful love; ministry for 150 years at Oregon Community UMC. **PRAYERS FOR THE WORLD:** People suffering from wildfires in CA; Violence between the GMC and the UMC in Nigeria; Wisdom & safety for all government officials; For a peaceful transfer of power at all levels of government; President-elect Donald Trump and VP-elect JD Vance; School shootings and threats; NarSarah Clinic in Sierra Leone; Udobo School in Durban, South Africa; Christ Home for Children; Blackfeet UMC Parish; The people of Israel, Palestine, the Middle East, Ukraine & Russia; 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; schools; campus ministries; foster families; seniors; those grieving; 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.**

LONG MEMORIAL FRIDAY NIGHT FREE GROCERIES for those in need every week at 6pm.

COMMUNITY AID will donate \$.13 to Faith UMC for every pound of clothing, shoes, electronic, toys, & household goods (excluding furniture) donated at 31 Rohrerstown Road Mon-Sat, 9AM-6PM. **Tell staff to credit Non-profit partner #10221 - Faith UMC before they unload.** Write or tape partner number on bags/boxes.

MEDICINE BOTTLE COLLECTION: We send *small* prescription pill bottles to clinics in poor countries. **Please remove all labels and sticky residue.** A basket is on the table in the lobby at OCUMC—or at Faith UMC.

POWER INTERFAITH: NEW - Justice Response Team Meeting. Join us on Sunday, January 26th from 4-7pm at Church of the Apostles UCC (Fellowship Hall), 1850 Marietta Ave, Lancaster, PA 17603. This is a gathering in which we will share our fears and our hopes, will create action groups, and will leave with a plan for next steps. Any person of faith or moral courage or any community organization that works to represent the needs of the poor and the marginalized is welcome to attend. **See Pastor Jason or Renee Norman for details. Registration required at <https://secure.everyaction.com/qrWMhZWnVE6m4ublJPEOdW2>.**

LEARN MORE ABOUT JUNIOR CHURCH & VBS: On Feb. 23 at 11:45AM at Faith UMC, there will be a meeting for anyone interested in volunteering for **Junior Church or VBS.** Please attend if you would like to hear about becoming a Junior Church leader during the 10:30AM service. Our leaders are on a rotation and can be scheduled flexibly. We will go over what a lesson looks like, how to prepare and answer questions you have. We will review the responsibilities are for our second adults and teen volunteers. **Attendance does not mean a commitment! We would love to have you!** We will also be discussing **this year's annual VBS, held in July.** We would love to hear your ideas about VBS and discuss what types of volunteers are needed. Light refreshments will be served.

SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY is Feb 9th. Wear your favorite football jersey to church and bring some canned soup to share with LUMINA and our local food bank. Watch for more information on a Chili Sale at Faith UMC that day. They will be selling quarts and pints to take home and reheat while you watch the game.

TOOLS FOR MINISTRY on Sat., Feb. 22, 2025 from 8AM-Noon at Salem UMC: 140 N. Penn st., Manheim. **Registration Fee: \$8.** Doors open at 8AM. At 8:30AM DS Freymoyer will lead us in opening worship and a Keynote address. Session 1 is 9:15-10:30AM and Session #2 is 10:45-Noon. There will be 10 training workshops to choose from in each session on topics including Alzheimers Care, Church Finances, Dealing with Church Crisis, Exploring a Call to Ministry, Partnering with Community Organizations, etc. **Save the Date on the Calendar. More info soon.**