

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY is Feb 9th. Wear your favorite football jersey to church and **bring some canned soup to share with LUMINA's** Food Bank. Faith UMC is having a **CHILI SALE that day** from Noon until 2pm. Vegan or meat quarts are available to go for \$10 each. You may choose from toppings that make it just right for your family's taste buds. No eat-in service so that we may all enjoy eating chili while watching the Super Bowl. Walk-ins cheerfully welcomed.

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. **We will go to Gretna Glen Camp on Sun, Feb 16 (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.** Youth group will not meet on the evening of Feb 9.

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=eDBSZHRZCVphSnh2TENDZ0xrdG0vQT09>. To learn more, contact Renee Norman. The **Criminal Justice & Bail Reform Team**, meets online at Noon every other Wed. (Feb 5 & 19): <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82483314676?pwd=K2ZtZGQ0LzBOelVlVlXQwUk5LR2VFQ09>. Reimagine Justice Lancaster meets online at Noon on Tuesdays of the opposite weeks (Feb 11 & 25) at: <https://us05web.zoom.us/j/82819147194?pwd=BF8E8JopVvfExanCW0QPjJ7p9DcbDq.1>

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

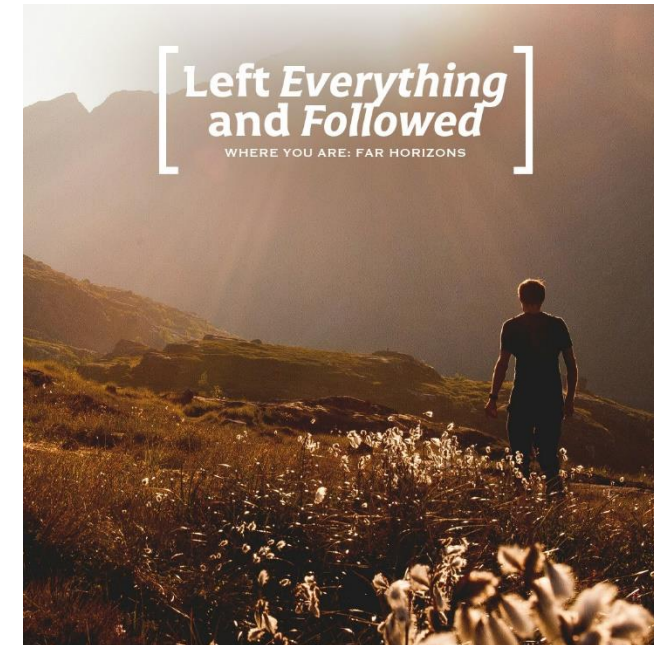
THREADS OF FAITH: If you like to knit, sew, crochet or quilt, we would like to invite you to Threads of Faith! Join us from **10am - Noon the first Saturday of each month!** Work on your projects while we chat and share talents in the Fellowship Hall at Faith UMC! **Our next gathering will be Sat., March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

LEARN MORE ABOUT JUNIOR CHURCH & VBS on Feb. 23 at 11:45AM at Faith UMC. Please attend to learn about volunteering as a Junior Church leader for the 10:30AM service. Leaders are on a rotation and can be scheduled flexibly. We will go over a typical lesson and answer your questions. We will review the responsibilities for teachers, assistants, and teen helpers. We will discuss **this year's July VBS.** Light refreshments will be served.

TOOLS FOR MINISTRY on Sat., Feb. 22, 2025 from 8AM-Noon at Salem UMC: 140 N. Penn St., Manheim. **Registration Fee: \$8.** DS Freymoyer will lead us in opening worship and a keynote address. There will be 19 training workshops to choose from including Alzheimers Care, Church Finances, Dealing with Church Crisis, Exploring a Call to Ministry, Partnering with Community Organizations, etc. Full descriptions and registration at: <https://member.gnjumc.org/default.aspx?page=3352&occurrenceId=716&profileId=1523>

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 leonshel37@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



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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

February 9, 2025 at 9:00 AM – 5th Sunday after the Epiphany

WELCOME: We gather together to worship God the Father, Jesus the Son and the Holy Spirit! May the Spirit of God unite us and the church universal to do justly, to love mercy and to walk humbly with our God (*Micah 6:8*). 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

Dot Lange & God's People

Beloved, the Savior calls to you. Will you follow? **God, help us leave everything and follow.**

Christ's call persists through the clouds of doubt, fear, and worry that descend on our path. Will you follow?

God, help us leave everything and follow.

Jesus calls us to shift our priorities, to leave behind the baggage of prejudice and the grasping for position so we can truly love God and our neighbors well. Will you follow? **God, help us leave everything and follow.**

Beloved, receive this good news: you are not alone! Today we answer Christ's call together!

God, help us leave everything and follow your path of Love everywhere we go! Amen.

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

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Isaiah 6:1-13

Dot Lange

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

*HYMN

O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

UMH #430

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalms 138

Dot Lange

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

*HYMN

There Is a Balm in Gilead

UMH #375

THE PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Mike Shifflet

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

Mike Shifflet

O Lord, forgive us when we fail to respond to your call with faith. **Through your Spirit, we rest in the assurance of your acceptance.**

Forgive us when we are shackled by our narrow understandings of discipleship and our clouded sense of purpose. **Through your Spirit, we are drawn into the illumination of your empowering love.**

Forgive us when we are frightened of the future or pull back from the demand of your calling. Forgive us when we fail to sense your presence in our past, to acknowledge your grace in the present moment, and to trust you for our future. **Through your Spirit, we offer ourselves in discipleship. We come together as your disciples.**

We seek renewed & renewing faith. Touch us now with your Spirit, Lord. Touch us now with your Spirit.

OUR OFFERINGS: OF PRAYERS, PRESENCE, GIFTS, SERVICE & WITNESS

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

UMH #95

SCRIPTURE LESSON

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Dot Lange

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

*HYMN

Jesus Calls Us

UMH #398

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 5:1-11

Dot Lange

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

SERMON

Left Everything and Followed

Mike Shifflet

BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH

Mike Shifflet

*HYMN

Here I Am, Lord

UMH #593

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

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

Liturgists: February 2 Bob Jolly; 9 Dot Lange; 16 Mike Shifflet; 23 Ralph Stone

BIRTHDAYS: February 11 Roberta Stone; 15 Bernadine Alspach; 20 Mike Shifflet; 23 Shirley Baker

GUEST PREACHER: Mike Shifflet and his wife Paula are faithful leaders at Oregon Community UMC teaching Sunday School and serving in a variety of ways. We are grateful to have Mike bring the message this morning while Pastor Jason is with the youth group at Gretna Glen Camp. Please greet the Shifflets and make them feel welcome!

PRAYER REQUESTS: Friend of Dennis and Mary with cancer; Leah, healing after car accident and surgery; Joetta, pneumonia; Katie at CHOP; Kathy, friend of Shifflet's cancer; Dean Cooper, health; Valerie Cooper, healing for vision in her eye; Shelly, bronchitis; Gene in Florida; 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.

SECRET SISTER 2025: Contact Jackie Black or pick up a form at the church to participate in 2025.

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: Apr. 7, Jul 7, and Oct 27. *Contact Carol Kennedy at 717-560-0321 if you are interested in helping.*