PRAYER REQUESTS:

OUR CONCERNS:

Chuck Flory – ALS

Alan Price - Buni's father's health

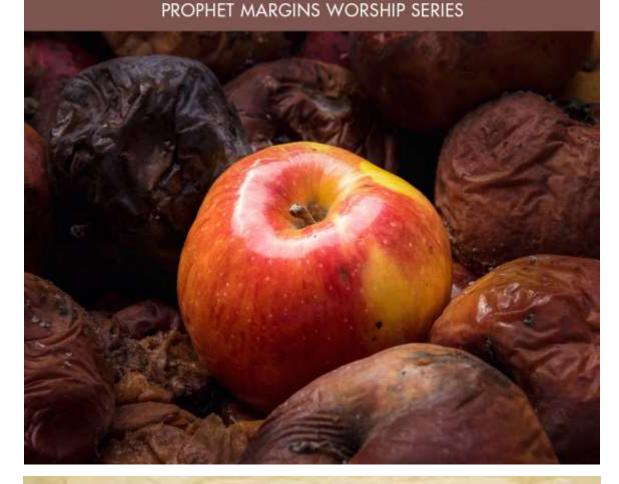
Wisdom & safety for government officials globally President Joe Biden and VP Kamala Harris Veterans and Service Members Civilians, leaders, and soldiers in war torn regions For peace & wisdom in areas of conflict Police officers and their families Folks harmed in interactions with police All first responders & medical staff For an end to violence in all forms Victims & families involved in violent crime, sexual abuse, racism, and harassment Abusers and their families Healing & peace for divisions caused by race, class, gender, sexuality, politics & fears All affected by natural disasters Wisdom around the environment Eradication of deadly diseases-incl. COVID-19 Refugees & huddled masses yearning to be free Security and immigration reform People who are hungry and unhoused Prisoners, Prison Leadership & Judges Cash Bail and Prison Reform Schools, education and foster care reform Members of AA, NA, & AlAnon and their families All struggling with addictions, finances, etc. Those suffering from mental health illnesses All those caring for sick loved ones Those grieving the loss of loved ones **Bishop Schol & EPAUMC Staff** Jenny Freymoyer and Hun Ju Lee as incoming DSs The UMC and General Conference Delegates as we seek God's will regarding human sexuality & our mission to make disciples of Jesus Rev. Dorcas, her eyes & ministries in Sierra Leone Udobo School in Durban. South Africa **Campus Ministries** Charlotte Garfield Dottie Sheaffer – healing for back & eyes Eileen Williams – muscles Bradley McGowan - ALS Linda Philbin – motor neuropathy Rosemary (Marilyn Jones' sister) – healing Michelle Rathvon Mitterer – healing from strokes

Those with cancer: Cyndi Campbell, Dean Grove, Mark Reitzel, Kerry Link and her father-in-law, Joe, John Rathvon, Duane Lehman, Lori, Barb Royer, Mary Kohler, Ruthie and others Ray – recovering from strokes Annette McClarigan – health, sons & family Dennis Pounds (Brooke's Uncle) - healing Angela, Maria and Becky – to be healthy & thrive Izabel, Oaklee, Carson, Matthew & their parents Gene Onest – health issues Terry Kofroth – upcoming surgery & healing Daryl Hawthorne - recovering from surgery Abbe – protection and healthy future Sarah Kuzmenko – healing from migraines Kuzmenko family – immigration process, health, etc. Ukrainian people and their nation Don Campbell – health Bernice Wilkison – health and move Margie Urban health Noah Boughter – Expecting a daughter Brvan Nelson Ron Lunn – healing Heather Lindsey Mary Shenk – healing after pacemaker surgery Mike Loechner – concussion Bob Miller (Di's father) – broken femur Diana Valentine – healing after back surgery Theo Wenger – healing for kidneys Tina Miller – recovering from surgery Jake Ruhl – hip pain Gun violence and wise reforms Family & friends of Tyreese Smith & Tyler Zook -CV students who passed away The Edwards family Alex & Erin Drolet as they move to Virginia

OUR PRAISES:

God's presence through illness, struggle & loss
Babies born into our extended church family
Ian Solodky and Shannon Weaver as they begin their first appointments as pastors
Katya and Tom Littrel – her successful immigration from Ukraine this upcoming week
Please submit prayer requests (& updates) by note or email to the office: faithumc@hotmail.com

Living in a Bitter Day



Welcome

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Faith United Methodist Church



July 17, 2022 at 10:30 AM – 6th Sunday after Pentecost

ELCOME: We come together to worship the loving God who has chosen to be revealed as the Father Creator, the Son who lived among us, and the Holy Spirit who ministers powerfully within us. 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 – and pray you find what you came looking for!

THANKS FOR COMING: If you are joining us for the first time, please sign the guest book in the hallway. **There are also red pads in each row for everyone to sign in during the service.** We would love to stay in touch with you. If you're worshiping online, please 'sign in' by commenting on the video.

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

Offering plates are on the altar & by the doors to the sanctuary. You may also give online or by mail.

GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Michelle Bame & Pastor Jason

A TIME FOR CENTERING & PRAYER

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Jason & God's People

Prophets, what do you see? We see the many ways we distract ourselves.

What else do you see? We see the good and the bad fruits we have produced.

What do you see today? We witness and worship God today, grateful for love and forgiveness. Amen.

*HYMN	God Will Make a Way	SFP&W #40
SCRIPTURE LESSON	Colossians 1:15-28 This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!	Linda Lunn
*HYMN	Breathe	MSFPW2 #61
SCRIPTURE LESSON	Luke 10:38-42 This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!	Linda Lunn
CHILDREN'S TIME		Terry Kofroth
*HYMN	Be Thou My Vision	UMH #451
SCRIPTURE LESSON	Psalm 52 This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!	Linda Lunn
THE PRAYERS OF GO & THE LORD'S PRAYI	5 1 6 7 5 51	t your prayer requests UMH #895
*HYMN	The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done	UMH #306
SCRIPTURE LESSON	Amos 8:1-12	Linda Lunn

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

SERMON	Living in a Bitter Day	Pastor Jason
*HYMN	Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise	UMH #103

BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH

* You are invited to stand

Director of Worship: Shannon EdwardsAV Tech: Dennis Meck, Sr.Pastor: The Rev. Jason PerkowskiMinisters: The People of God

WORSHIP SERVICES ARE ALSO BROADCAST on Facebook & our website.

COVID PROTOCOLS: Masks are optional. We still sit every other row for social distancing.

OFFICE COMMUNICATION: Hours vary. Contact us directly for availability. Messages left on the office phone, 717-560-0321 or email: <u>faithumc@hotmail.com</u>, will be checked on weekdays. Contact Pastor Jason at 717-333-9238 or <u>jbperkowski@gmail.com</u> and leave a *detailed message*. He is spending time with family from Friday at Noon thru Saturday and may not respond to non-emergencies then.

YOUTH GROUP, SUNDAYS, 5-7 PM at Faith UMC. 5th-12th graders are invited—and those just finishing 4th grade. **Sign up in the hall** or by contacting Pastor Jason **to be the 2nd adult and/or to provide a meal.** Bring friends to join in the fun. Each week are dinner, games and a lesson. Volunteer needed for July 24.

CHATTING CLUB: MONDAYS AT 7 PM BY ZOOM Everyone is invited to join us. This week's topic: U.S. Supreme Court Ruling Broadens Understanding of What Constitutes Free Exercise of Religion: around the SCOTUS decision regarding a HS football coach who knelt to pray on the 50-yard line after games. Join us at: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86190453518?pwd=cEVDeDljeThaaWVIYjlQWmZjTm5oUT09

BIBLE STUDY on WEDNESDAYS at 6:30 PM with Mike Shifflet at Oregon Community UMC.

MORNING BIBLE STUDY – FRIDAYS AT 10AM: Each week we explore a small group study based on the scriptures for this week's sermon. You can prepare at: <u>https://www.umcdiscipleship.org/worship-planning</u>. Join us **in person** in the Faith UMC Fellowship Hall or by Zoom:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83172825482?pwd=VzBkd2p0ci9KZ1BqMUZqN1NOamh4dz09

***NEW* GRIEF GROUP:** Pastor Jason and Tina Miller will be starting a new Grief Share Group to help people process the loss of loved ones and to find support from peers. There are materials that we will work through together in addition to mutual support. To learn more or sign up, please contact Pastor Jason ASAP.

POWER Interfaith Lancaster County is part of a statewide group of people of faith working on making our commonwealth more just. They are working on fair funding for public schools, prison and bail reform, positive interactions between police & communities, a healthier environment & climate, economic justice, etc. Pastor Jason invites anyone interested in learning more to contact him. We would like to see our church officially engage in this work with POWER Interfaith as well as considering starting a Church and Society Team.

OFFERING TITHES TO THE LORD: You can direct gifts to **General Ministry, Debt Reduction** / **Building Fund**, etc. Mark preferences in the memo. You can mail a check or **donate through the website.**

IN NEED OF HELP: Contact Pastor Jason. You can also dial **2-1-1 or visit <u>www.211.org</u>** to reach the **United Way Call Center** for **social services. The Crisis Intervention Lifeline is** (717) **394-2631.**

PRAYER REQUEST CARDS: In order to make sure that everyone's prayer / praise requests are heard during the service we are providing you with prayer request cards at the entrance to the sanctuary and in each of the red attendance pads. Please fill out a card and place it on the altar prior to the service or during a hymn. We will include them during prayer time--and in our printed bulletin if you wish. Please mark how you want those prayer requests shared. Be sure that you respect the privacy of those for whom we are praying, too.

UDOBO SCHOOL OFFERING: The Udobo Pre-school in Durban, South Africa prepares students for their public school education—especially those who are financially impoverished. Julie Perkowski got to visit the school over ten years ago and can attest to the positive impact on its students. We have been collecting a Christmas Eve Offering annually to provide supplies, facility upgrades, resources for salaries and scholarships, etc. Our Mission Team would like to collect a "Christmas In July" Offering on July 24 and 31 for the Udobo School to help provide resources as they get ready for their next school year. You can make a gift online at <u>www.FaithUMC.US</u>, through the offering plate, or by mailing a check to the church. Please mark Udobo School on your gift and we will route it to the school to support its ministry to kids.

FAITH UMC IS OFFERING A LENDING LIBRARY, consisting of books, puzzles, and DVDs for all ages to borrow and enjoy. There is no sign-in, sign-out procedure. The library is located in the second classroom on the right as you enter the education wing. There are crates labeled for donations & returns. Questions: see either Buni Harbison or Marilyn Jones. *We are also looking for donations of book ends for our shelves*.

THE SENIOR MEN'S LUNCH on **July 21st** at 11:30 a.m. will be held at the Bright's Restaurant, 1025 S State St, Ephrata. Those planning to attend must let John Rice (717-733-3894) know by July 18th so we can give an accurate count for our reservations.

CONGREGATIONAL INFORMATIONAL MEETING: July 21 at 6:30 PM and August 14 at Noon. Pastor Jason and Church Council will provide a presentation regarding the potential disaffiliation of congregations from the UMC denomination around differing opinions on homosexual marriages and ordination. This will be followed by a time to share questions, concerns, or comments. *Please see the letter Church Council sent. You are encouraged to attend these meetings.*

SECRET SISTERS! Christmas in July - Brunch Celebration: Saturday, July 23rd from 10 to 11:30 AM. Brunch/light refreshments will be served. Stop in for the whole time or just pop in for a few minutes to grab a snack and head out to run your errands. If you have time, set up for VBS may be happening the same day.

VBS at Long Memorial UMC: ~ July 17–21, 6-8 PM. *Big Fish Bay* for ages 4 to 5th Grade. Join them on Saturday July 16 from 11AM-2PM for their *Down by the Bay* community picnic. You will have an opportunity to register for VBS there or register at 5:30 PM on Sunday.



VBS at Faith UMC: July 25–29, 6-8 PM. Faith UMC invites all children ages 4 through 10 to move, act, care, follow, & share at G-FORCE: GOD'S LOVE IN ACTION. Space is limited – register your children now at https://forms.gle/YQPhhwmmSoPR5bE44.

Invite a friend! *Please see the upcoming events section and help us with decorating! If you would like to cut things out at home, we will need them back by Saturday morning, July 23.*

2022 CHOCOLATE TOUR is a bicycle ride across the county to **raise funds for cancer research on Saturday**, **August 6 from 7am-4pm.** OCUMC will be hosting a rest stop for the cyclists. They need folks to serve drinks and snacks. They are also looking for help at the main Manheim Start site and folks who may want to ride/walk. For more info or to ride that day, contact Pastor Jason or visit: <u>https://www.thechocolatetour.com/</u>

UKRAINIAN HUMANITARIAN SUPPORT: You can make donations online at FaithUMC.US or by a designated gift at the church to support refugees and humanitarian work in the country. You can also make donations at <u>https://umcmission.org</u> or by a gift to OCUMC marked to support Ukrainian refugees.

HOUSING NEEDS: There are at least three families/individuals in need of housing. If you know of anyone looking to rent a room, apartment or home at a reasonable cost, please contact Pastor Jason.

SERVANT SATURDAY ON August 6: On the Saturday before Communion Sunday each month, we are asking everyone to show God's love to the world through your time, talents and treasures. **DOWNTOWN MINISTRY:** At 2pm on Servant Saturdays, we provide meals & personal items for people who are homeless. To help, call Diana at 717-283-6099. We need people to cook, prepare donations, deliver food, etc. **NEW wish list:** men's white crew socks, pocket packs of tissues, and individually wrapped feminine hygiene wipes.

IMPACT! MISSIONS restores homes to be sold to low-income families & does repairs for homeowners in need. To volunteer on 1st & 3rd Saturdays contact Leon Bame at 717-344-9924 / <u>leonshel37@gmail.com</u>.

NO COST TO YOU FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITIES: Several businesses will donate a percentage of your sale to Faith UMC. Please see the Faith-a-Gram for specific instructions for Amazon Smile, Community Aid, Park City & Knight and Day Diners.

POSITION AVAILABLE: Neffsville Christian Preschool is looking for an aide to help in their classroom for 4- & 5-year-olds on Monday, Wednesday, & Friday from 9:00 AM to noon. Please contact their director, Carol Zartman, at 717-314-9405 or email <u>carolzartman.ncns@gmail.com</u> for more information about the position.

ONGOING EVENTS:

Sundays	Worship, 10:30 AM in the Sanctuary and Facebook Live
	Youth Group at Faith, 5-7 PM
1st Sundays	Communion is offered during worship service, 10:30AM
Mondays	Chatting Club via Zoom, 7:00 PM
Wednesdays	Worship Team Practice, 6:30 PM
	Bible Study at Oregon Community UMC, 6:30-7:30 PM
Thursdays	Wing and a Prayer AA Meeting in the Fellowship Hall, 10:00 AM
Fridays	Bible Study led by Pastor Jason, 10:00 AM (via Zoom or in person)
1st & 3rd Saturdays	Faith UMC works with IMPACT! Missions – Contact Leon Bame to help.
1st (or Last) Saturdays	Servant Saturday & Downtown Food Ministry, 2PM (Sat. before Communion)

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Sunday, July 17	VBS decorating, noon (light lunch included)	
Sunday, July 17	SMO (Shepherding, Missions, Outreach) meeting, 11:45 AM will be rescheduled	
S – Th, July 17 – 21	Big Fish Bay VBS at Long Memorial UMC, 6 – 8 PM	
Thursday, July 21	Senior Men's Lunch at Bright's Restaurant, 11:30 AM – RSVP to John Rice	
Thursday, July 21	Congregational Informational Meeting, 6:30 PM	
Saturday, July 23	Secret Sister Christmas in July Brunch, 10:00 – 11:30 AM	
Sunday, July 23	VBS decorating, 11:30 AM	
Sunday, July 24	VBS decorating & setup, noon (light lunch included)	
M – F, July 25 – 29	G-Force: God's Love in Action VBS at Faith UMC, 6-8 PM (Ages 4-10)	
Sunday, July 31	Family Picnic, 11:45 AM	
Saturday, August 6	Servant Saturday/Deliver food & personal items to unhoused folks downtown, 2 PM	
	2022 Chocolate Tour for Cancer Research, 7 AM - 4 PM – help needed	
Sunday, August 14	Congregational Informational Meeting, Noon	

WORSHIP LEADERS for next Sunday, July 24 are:

WORSHIP MUSIC: Shannon Edwards, Worship Director and the Faith Singers AUDIO/VISUAL TECH: Dennis Meck, Sr. GREETER/USHERS: Tim & Sandy Patschke LITURGIST: Steph Edwards CHILDREN'S TIME: Lisa Baker YOUTH GROUP (5pm): Pastor Jason & volunteer needed