#### **PRAYER REQUESTS:**

#### **OUR CONCERNS:**

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** Rev. Jenny Freymoyer - District Superintendent 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 – bronchitis & motor neuropathy Rosemary (Marilyn Jones' sister) – healing Michelle Rathvon Mitterer – healing from strokes Chuck Flory – ALS Alan Price – Buni's father's health

Alan Price – Buni's father's health Ray – recovering from strokes Annette McClarigan – health, sons & family Dennis Pounds (Brooke's Uncle) - healing

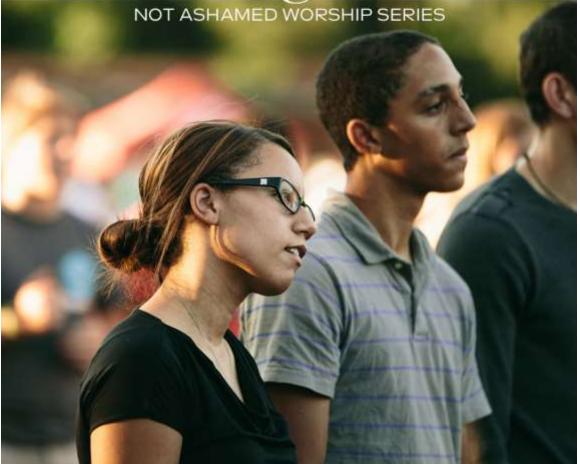
Those with cancer: Cyndi Campbell, Dean Grove, Mark Reitzel, Kerry Link and her father-in-law, Joe, John Rathvon, Duane Lehman, Lori, Barb Royer, Linda Mutzel, John Serio, Ruthie, Martin Campbell and others Angela, Maria and Becky – to be healthy & thrive Izabel, Oaklee, Carson, Matthew & their parents Gene Onest – health issues Terry Kofroth - recovering from surgery Daryl Hawthorne – healing and upcoming surgery Kuzmenko family – health, settling extended family into USA from Ukraine, etc. Ukrainian people and their nation Don Campbell – health Bernice Wilkison - health Margie Urban – health Noah Boughter – Expecting a daughter Bryan Nelson Heather Lindsey Mike Loechner – concussion Theo Wenger – healing for kidneys Jake Ruhl – hip pain Gun violence and wise reforms Alex & Erin Drolet as they settle into new life in VA Jo Ann Steinmetz – healing Megan and Josh—Jackie Black's grandkids Pamela Hummel – healing from fall Emile & Andrew Muth - healthy pregnancy Shirley Gehr – healing after a fall Roberta Stone – healing Donald Stone – healing Denise Herr (Steph Edward's mom) - healing Family of Richard Holsinger on his passing Nicole Wise Victoria Fritsch – upcoming surgery Carl Jones – healing from pneumonia Family of Russ Gehman on his passing Family of John Warren (TJ's uncle)

#### **OUR PRAISES:**

Bible2School Program for 2<sup>nd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> graders God's presence through illness, struggle & loss Babies born into our extended church family Pastoral Ministry of Ian Solodky & Shannon Weaver

Please submit prayer requests (& updates) by note or email to the office: faithumc@hotmail.com

# **Itching Ears**



## Welcome

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# Faith United Methodist Church



### October 16, 2022 at 10:30 AM – 19<sup>th</sup> 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!

If this is your first time with us, please sign the guest book in the hallway. **There are red pads in each row** for everyone to sign in. If you're worshiping online, please 'sign in' by commenting on the video.

#### **GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Michelle Bame & Pastor Jason

**UMH #895** 

#### A TIME FOR CENTERING & PRAYER

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

& THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor Jason & God's People

We gather here to worship seeking a focus for our being.

God calls us to worship the Word made flesh.

We gather here to worship, though we feel drawn in too many directions, overwhelmed with too many tasks, chasing after something we can't quite name.

#### God calls us to worship leaning into the Spirit of Truth

We gather here to worship, wondering and hoping, doubting and uncertain, frustrated and afraid. But we are here.

#### God calls us to worship with our whole selves. We are here; let us worship with joy.

Derek Weber, Discipleship Ministries, March 2022

*HYMN	Here I Am to Worship	MSFPW3 #116
SCRIPTURE LESSON	<b>Psalm 119:97-104</b> This is the Word of the Lord — <b>Thanks be to God!</b>	Steph Edwards
CHILDREN'S TIME		
*HYMN	Lord, Speak to Me	UMH #463
SCRIPTURE LESSON	<b>Luke 18:1-8</b> This is the Word of the Lord — <b>Thanks be to God!</b>	Steph Edwards
OUR OFFERINGS OF I Anthem *Doxology *Offertory Prayer	PRAYERS, PRESENCE, GIFTS, SERVICE & WITNESS Celtic Amazing Grace Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow	Faith Singers UMH #95
SCRIPTURE LESSON	<b>Jeremiah 31:27-34</b> This is the Word of the Lord — <b>Thanks be to God</b> !	Steph Edwards
THE PRAYERS OF GO	<b>D'S PEOPLE</b> If worshiping online, you may post you	ur prayer requests

*HYMN	How Great Thou Art	UMH #77
SCRIPTURE LESSON	<b>2 Timothy 3:14-4:5</b> <i>This is the Word of the Lord</i> — <i>Thanks be to God!</i>	Steph Edwards
SERMON	Itching Ears	<b>Pastor Jason</b>
*HYMN	This Is My Fathers' World	UMH #144

#### **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.

**OFFICE COMMUNICATION:** Hours vary. Contact the Office via 717-560-0321 or <u>faithumc@hotmail.com</u>, (messages checked weekdays). Contact Pastor Jason via 717-333-9238 or <u>jbperkowski@gmail.com</u>. He is with family from Friday at Noon thru Saturday and may not respond to non-emergencies then.

**PRAYER REQUEST CARDS:** Prayer request cards are 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.

**CHRISTMAS CANTATA:** This will be a joint effort between Long Memorial, Faith, and OCUMC. Practices are at 7:45 to 8:45 PM every Wednesday, alternating between Long Memorial & Faith UMCs. Contact Shannon Edwards, Worship Director, for more info. **All singers are welcome to join us** as we prepare a musical worship service for Sunday, December 18 to be performed at Faith and Long Memorial UMCs. **Note: Regular Worship Team practice will stay on Wednesdays at Faith at 6:30 PM before Cantata Practice.** 

JUNIOR CHURCH for children age 3 years through 4th grade. Parents, please sign your child in before the Worship Service. Each child and parent will be assigned a badge with a matching number. Children will begin the service in the sanctuary and be dismissed to Junior Church after the Children's Time Message. After worship, parents are asked to sign children out at a station directly outside the classroom in the Education Wing.

**YOUTH GROUP, SUNDAYS, 5-7 PM at Faith UMC** for 5th-12th graders. Sign up in the hall to be the 2nd adult and/or to provide a meal. Volunteer needed Oct 23. Each week there are dinner, games and a lesson. Youth will go to Gretna Glen Camp from 3:30-7:00 PM on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month (inc. TODAY). Church van will leave from / return to Faith UMC. For more info contact Pastor Jason (717-333-9238).

**CONFIRMATION CLASS will meet at Faith UMC from 7:30-9:00 pm every other Monday for students in** 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade. Please let Pastor Jason know at (717) 333-9238 if you are interested in participating as a student or mentor. We will have classes, retreats, field trips, etc. led by Pastor Andrea from Long Memorial and Pastor Jason. (Next meetings: Oct 17, Nov 7 & Nov 21—*no meeting on Oct 31*)

\*NEW\* GRIEF GROUP: Pastor Jason and Tina Miller have started 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. This group is meeting every other Monday from 5:00 to 6:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall at Faith UMC (Oct. 24, Nov. 7 & 21).

**CHATTING VIA ZOOM MONDAYS AT 6:30 PM** (*NOTE NEW TIME*) Everyone is invited to join us. at: <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86190453518?pwd=cEVDeDljeThaaWVIYjIQWmZjTm5oUT09</u>

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

**BIBLE2SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS:** If you are interested in working with Pastor Jason and other volunteers to teach the Bible2School students from Reidenbaugh Elementary School please let Pastor know. We are hosting this religious education program for 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students every week. Over 20 students are attending every Tuesday and Wednesday morning. We need additional small group leaders every Tuesday and Wednesday as the program grows.

**TRUNK OR TREAT:** We are still looking for volunteers for our Trunk or Treat event scheduled for **October 29th** from 5:00 to 8:00 PM. Please see signup sheets in the hall. We need to have a final count of volunteers for the event—especially people who will decorate their car trunks for Halloween. Cars will then be lined up and volunteers will hand out candy to kids as they come to your car. We are hoping to hold this community event this year with pumpkin decorating, fall games for the kids, as well as the trunk-or-treating. We are also offering free hot dogs, chips and drinks. If you have any questions or want to volunteer, please contact Lisa Baker at 717-615-6707 or lisa.baker2294@gmail.com.

**SENIOR MEN'S LUNCH:** The Senior Men's Lunch on **October 20<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 a.m.** will be held at Scooter's Restaurant, 921 Lititz Pike, Lititz. Those planning to attend must let Alan Strait (717-239-9055) or alan@alansimages.net know by October 17<sup>th</sup> so we can give an accurate count for our reservations.

**YARD SALE:** Faith UMC is offering yard sale sites for **Sat., October 22nd from 7:00 AM - 1:00 PM.** Sites are 20 feet by 20 feet and are \$20 per space. *Reserve your space by October 21st.* Payment due at time of set up. There will be no rain date. You need to bring your own table and/or pop-up tent if you desire one. For any questions or to reserve your spot please call us at 717-560-0321. Volunteers needed to sell hotdogs and help at our church yard sale space. We will be selling Christmas items stored in our attic. No new donations please.

**ALL SAINTS DAY: On October 30**, we would like to honor all of our loved ones that have passed away since last year. **VETERANS DAY: On November 13** we would like to honor all of our church members and their family who have served in the armed services. **Please email/drop off a photo of your loved ones to the church no later than the Monday before each service** (Oct 24 / Nov 7). Include their full name, date of birth/death, and for veterans their military branch and rank. We will display a slideshow honoring them as part of the service. *If you sent us photos for service members last year, we have those on file--just let us know if you want them to be included.* 

**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. 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. Pastor Jason invites anyone interested in learning more to contact him.

**FREE LENDING LIBRARY** of books, puzzles, & DVDs for all ages to borrow is in the 2<sup>nd</sup> classroom in the Education Wing. There is no sign-in/out procedure. See Buni or Marilyn for info. Donations welcome.

**PRAYER SHAWLS AVAILABLE:** Perhaps you or someone you know would appreciate the comfort of a prayer shawl or quilt. **Please help yourself to a prayer shawl** from the rack in the hall and sign the attached sheet. **You are invited to knit or crochet prayer shawls or** *you are always welcome to donate yarn for this ministry*. Each month we deliver prayer shawls and lap quilts to nursing homes, hospice centers, hospitals, etc. Thank you for your support!

**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, donate through the website, or give in the plate. **OREGON COMMUNITY HOLIDAY CRAFT BAZAAR on Saturday, Nov. 5 at Faith UMC:** Contact Joetta Henry at 717-371-0112 or Pastor Jason 717-333-9238 to reserve a space for the event.

**ELLA BUCHANAN** is looking for someone to help with light housekeeping and laundry once a week. She may be reached at 717-669-3783.

**IN NEED OF HELP:** Contact Pastor Jason, 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 or** *dial 9-8-8*.

#### **ONGOING EVENTS:**

Sundays	Worship, 10:30 AM in the Sanctuary and Facebook Live	
	Junior Church during worship	
	Youth Group at Faith, 5-7 PM	
1st Sundays	Communion is offered during worship service, 10:30AM	
Mondays	Grief Share Group - Every other Monday from 5:00-6:00 PM at Faith UMC	
	Chatting Club via Zoom, 6:30 PM	
	Confirmation Class - Every other Monday from 7:30-9:00 PM at Faith UMC	
Tuesdays	Bible2School, 9:45 to 11:30 AM for Reidenbaugh students in Fellowship Hall	
Wednesdays	Bible2School, 11:20 AM-1:20 PM for Reidenbaugh students in Fellowship Hall	
-	Worship Team Practice, 6:30 PM	
	Cantata Rehearsal, 7:45-8:45 PM alternating between Long Memorial & Faith UMC	
	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, Oct 16	Youth at Gretna Glen, meet at and return to Faith UMC, 3:30-7:00 PM
Monday, Oct 17	Confirmation Class - Every other Monday from 7:30-9:00 PM at Faith UMC
Thursday, Oct 20	Men's Lunch at Scooters, 11:30 AM – RSVP to Allen Strait by Oct 17
Saturday, Oct 22	Yard Sale, 7 AM – 1 PM, space rentals available – volunteers needed
Monday, Oct 24	Grief Share Group - Every other Monday from, 5:00 to 6:00 PM at Faith UMC
	Deadline to submit names/pictures for All Saints Day
Saturday, Oct 29	Trunk-or-Treat, 5:00 -8:00 pm - volunteers needed by Oct 14
Monday, Nov 2	Ladies' Lunch at Oregon Dairy - RSVP to Sandy Patschke
Saturday, Nov 5	Oregon Community Holiday Craft Bazaar - contact Joetta or Pastor Jason to reserve a space
Monday, Nov 7	Grief Share Group, 5:00 to 6:00 PM
Monday, Nov 7	Confirmation Class - Every other Monday from 7:30-9:00 PM at Faith UMC

#### WORSHIP LEADERS for next Sunday, October 23 are:

WORSHIP MUSIC: Shannon Edwards, Worship Director and the Faith Singers AUDIO/VISUAL TECH: Dennis Meck, Sr. GREETERS: Jim & Buni Harbison USHERS: Jim & Buni Harbison LITURGIST: Daryl Hawthorne CHILDREN'S TIME: Pastor Jason JUNIOR CHURCH: Carol Kennedy & Marilyn Jones YOUTH GROUP (5 pm): Pastor Jason & volunteer needed