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, esp. Syria & Turkey

Stewardship of our environment & climate

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, DS Freymoyer & EPAUMC Staff

Laity and Clergy of the UMC

The UMC, Conference Delegates and Bishops as we find our way forward in the Holy Spirit

Rev. Dorcas, her eyes & ministries in Sierra Leone

Udobo School in Durban, South Africa

Campus Ministries

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

Chuck Flory – ALS

Annette McClarigan – health, sons & family

Jean Neideigh – healing (MS)

Gene Onest – health issues

Don Campbell – health

Terry Kofroth – healing

Angela, Maria and Becky – to be healthy & thrive Izabel, Oaklee, Carson, Matthew & their parents

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, Sophia Serio, Ruthie, Martin Campbell,

Ben Neideigh, Harmony Chiccarine, Grandma Edwards, etc.

Kuzmenko family – health and transitions

Sarah Kumzenko – Migraines

Ukrainian people and their nation

Bernice Wilkison – health

Margie Urban – health & healing from infection

Noah Boughter and family

Heather Lindsey

Theo Wenger – healing for kidneys

Jake Ruhl – hip pain

Jo Ann Steinmetz – healing

Megan and Josh – Jackie Black's grandkids

Shirley Gehr – healing

Denise Herr (Steph Edward's mom) - healing

The Jackson Family

Jay Byerly – healing

Jenita Beth Perkowski – testing and healing

Robert T. Perkowski – healing

Kay Newcomer – healing & peace

Robyn Meckley – healing

Jim Harbison – chronic pain and recovery

Veronica Eckman – housing and support

Children – to know they are not alone in struggles

Ed Kelly (Mike Bitner's Son-in-Law) – brain tumor Darius

Alan Price – Buni's father's health and transitions

Buni Harbison – healing from hip surgery

Daryl Hawthorne – healing from hip surgery Jeff Johns & family – healing for mom

Linda Weber - healing

Bobbi Ann Stone – upcoming surgery

Tiffany & those caring for her

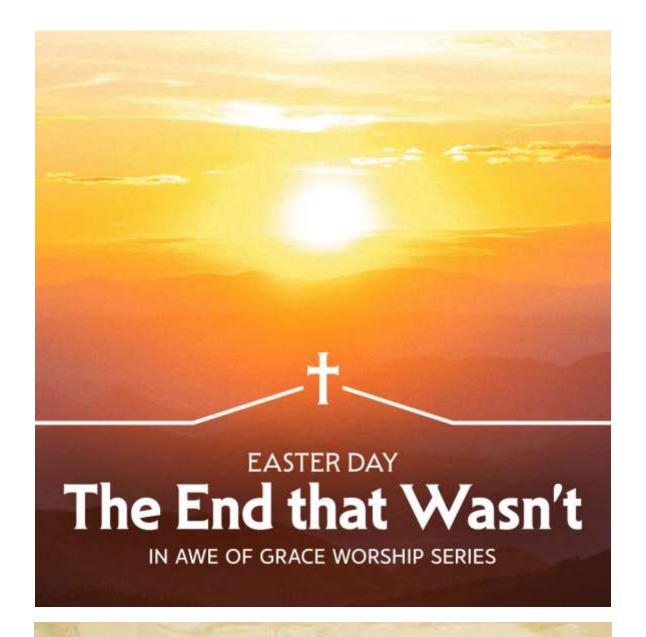
John Black & Karley Wiest -- healing & comfort Shannon Edwards & family during transition

Family & friends of Bernice Wilkison on her passing Webster family for nephew in hospice

OUR PRAISES:

Bible2School Program for 2nd-4th graders God's presence through illness, struggle & loss Ralph Stone –successful hip surgery

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



Welcome

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Faith United Methodist Church



April 9, 2023 at 10:30 AM – Easter Sunday

ELCOME: We come together to worship God. Today we remember and testify to the resurrection of Jesus, God's Son and our Messiah. He chose to come and live among us, willingly died on the cross for us, and then rose from the dead to redeem our souls. The Father has seated the Son at His Right Hand and sent the Holy Spirit to minister to us powerfully. You are welcome in this sacred space in the presence of the Holy and Loving God no matter who you are; from where you have come; what experiences, struggles or gifts you bring; or the questions, doubts & beliefs you carry. Together, we seek to learn and live out our Faith. We are so glad you are here!

Please sign in using the red Pew Pads. Prayer Request Cards from the pads can be placed in the basket on the altar. If worshiping online, please 'sign in' and add prayer requests by commenting on the video.

GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Michelle Bame & Pastor Jason

Christ is Risen...Christ is Risen Indeed! Allelluia!

A TIME FOR CENTERING & PRAYER

Pastor Jason

HYMN Were You There

*CALL TO WORSHIP

UMH #288 v. 1, 4, 5

Pastor Jason & God's People

The dark night is behind us; the morning light erased all darkness and doubt.

All that remains is the empty tomb and the wrappings of pain and death.

The Lord has risen; he's no longer among the dead. He lives. The Lord has risen!

Yes, the Lord lives! The new morning fills our hearts with joy and hope.

Let us then worship together, extinguishing all doubt and fear with joyful songs and an unbreakable faith in our Redeemer.

Written by Yolanda Pupo-Ortiz, translated by Raquel Mora Martinez, Fiesta Jubilosa, ed. Raquel Mora Martinez (Nashville: Abingdon Press, 2022), #123.

*HYMN *Up from the Grave He Arose* **UMH #322**

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Acts 10:34-48

Lisa Baker

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

CHILDREN'S TIME

Michelle Bame UMH #302 v. 1-4

*HYMN

SCRIPTURE LESSON Colossians 3:1-4 Lisa Baker

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

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

THE PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

*HYMN Thine Be the Glory **UMH #308**

SCRIPTURE LESSON

John 20:1-18

Lisa Baker

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

SERMON The End that Wasn't **Pastor Jason**

*HYMN He Lives **UMH #310** COMMUNION **UMH #12-15**

All are invited to the Lord's Table to receive God's forgiveness and grace through Communion

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

Roll Away the Stone Shared by Anthony & Jody Wiker Special Music *Doxology Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow **UMH #95**

*Offertory Prayer

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING & THE LORD'S PRAYER

UMH #13-15 & #895

RECEIVING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

UMH #13-15

SPECIAL MUSIC Behold the Lamb Shared by Anthony & Jody Wiker

*HYMN For the Bread Which You Have Broken **UMH #614**

BENEDICTION

*HYMN Easter People, Raise Your Voices **UMH #304**

* You are invited to stand

Worship Musicians: Jody & Anthony Wiker AV Tech: Dennis Meck, Sr. Pastor: The Rev. Jason Perkowski Ministers: The People of God

WORSHIP SERVICES ARE ALSO BROADCAST on Facebook & our website.

OFFICE COMMUNICATION: Hours vary. Carol Kennedy, Office Admin, checks messages in the office on weekdays. Pastor Jason is with family from Noon Friday until Sunday & may not respond to non-emergencies then.

MEMBERSHIP: If you are interested in learning more about the UMC and our local churches, and are considering becoming a member, we invite you to contact Pastor Jason for info to join in a new membership class on Sunday, April 30, May 7 & 14 at noon. We will meet in the first classroom in the Education Wing.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL at 9:00 AM led by Michelle Bame meets in the 1st classroom in the Education Wing.

JUNIOR CHURCH for children age 3 years - 4th grade during the 10:30AM Worship Service. No Junior Church on Easter - enjoy the service with family. (Adults willing to teach Junior Church on April 23 or May 14 should contact the office or Pastor Jason).

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. Contact Pastor Jason for more info. NO Youth Group tonight – Happy Easter!

CONFIRMATION CLASS for Youth at Faith UMC, 7:30-9 PM every other Monday. Next meetings: Apr 17 & May 1. Confirmation Retreat is April 21-23 at Gretna Glen. \$60 is due to "Faith UMC" ASAP.

GRIEFSHARE GROUP to help people find support and process the loss of loved ones meets every other Monday from 5-6 PM at Faith UMC. Next Meetings: Apr 17 & May 1.

CHATTING VIA ZOOM on Mondays at 6:30 PM: This member-led, discussion group meets online at: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86190453518?pwd=cEVDeDljeThaaWVIYjlQWmZjTm5oUT09.

BIBLE STUDY on WEDNESDAYS at 6:30 PM led by Mike at Oregon Community UMC.

MORNING BIBLE STUDY - FRIDAYS AT 10AM in Fellowship Hall: We explore the scriptures for the upcoming sermon. You can prepare by exploring the scriptures printed in the bulletin and Faith-a-Gram.

PASTOR VACATION: Pastor Jason and Julie will be on vacation after Easter from April 9 (after services) through April 15 (until Picnic at Noon). For pastoral emergencies during that time, please contact the church office (717-560-0321) or Lay Leader Michelle Bame. Pastor Jason will be back in time for the Bible 2School Picnic and Sunday Morning worship.

ALL ARE INVITED TO THE BIBLE2SCHOOL FAMILY PICNIC on Sat., April 15 at Faith UMC, Noon – 2 PM. We have invited the families to join us for a fun end of school year celebration. This is a great way for the families to get to know us. If you would like to help with food, yard games, and hosting, please contact Gwen Newell. There are sign-up sheets in the hallway. We need lots of help with serving food, running yard games, etc. Let us know if you are attending by using the signup sheet in the hall or by registering your family at: https://forms.gle/WKFGj652dKkWhqCP7

THE SENIOR MEN'S LUNCH on April 20th at 11:30 a.m. will be held at Knight & Day Diner, 3140 Lititz Pike, Lititz. Those planning to attend must let Ron Lunn (717-568-8567) know by April 16th so we can give an accurate count for our reservations.

THE FINANCE TEAM IS LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS to serve as Treasurer (sign checks, prepare budget, monitor income & expenses, report to Finance Team) and/or a person to serve as the Tax Form Preparer. Please let Pastor Jason, Gwen Newell, or Jim Harbison know if you are willing to serve.

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.

THE CHURCH & SOCIETY TEAM of Faith & Oregon Community UMCs are exploring how we can engage in improving our community by standing up against injustice and the forces of wickedness. If interested in learning more, contact Renee Norman. If you are interested in learning more about **Bail Reform**, join the **Wednesday Zoom Session at Noon:** https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82483314676?pwd=K2ZtZGQ0LzBOelVIVXQwUk5LR2VFQT09

MINISTRY UPDATE: Your gifts support the many ministries of our church into the community from pastoral care, pre/marital counseling, evangelism, community wide youth and children's ministries, etc. The building is being utilized by outside groups from AA to Bible2 School to music ministries. Thank you for your gifts and support!

FINANCE UPDATE: Thank you for your gifts that support our ministries locally and throughout the world. Please consider if you are able to make gift to support our shared ministries. Gifts can be directed to General Ministry and the Debt Reduction / Building Fund. Mark preferences in the memo line or on an envelope. You can set up recurring gifts through your own financial institution or at https://secure.myvanco.com/L-Z37Q/home. There is a link at FaithUMC.us or via the QR Code. You can also mail a check or place an offering in the plate. We are also able to



receive gifts from various sources: Required Minimum Distributions from tax deferred Retirement Accounts (of those over 73 years of age), Stocks, Bonds, Investments, Foundations, IRAs etc. Note: Any distribution from a self-directed IRA to a charity is not considered taxable income (regardless of age).

CARE PACKAGES FOR MILLERSVILLE STUDENTS: We are continuing our tradition of providing boxes to support college students who are part of The HUB: Millersville University Campus Ministry while they prepare for final exams in May. It has always been very much appreciated. **If you wish to participate, please donate** shoe boxes, wrapping paper, post-it notes, cookies, candy, snack crackers, granola bars, popcorn, hot chocolate mix, etc. **by April 23.** Thank you to Walmart for providing highlighters, pens, and pencils. **The youth will be packaging the boxes** during their meeting time on the **evening of April 30**th. If you would like to help with packing or wrapping or just getting to know the youth, please join them at 5:00 pm on April 30th.

NECKTIES & T-SHIRTS NEEDED for the crafts that we will have for sale at Breakfast with Santa next December. Place any **men's neckties** that you no longer want, in the box in the entryway. Place T-shirts in the box under the table in the hallway. They need to be clean with no paint, oils stains, or holes. Any questions, see Buni.

MEDICINE BOTTLE PROJECT: We collect empty prescription pill bottles for clinics overseas to package medications. *Remove labels & residue*. The collection basket is under a table as you enter the Sanctuary.

SUMMER CAMP: REGISTER TO ATTEND A UMC CAMP THIS SUMMER—OR VOLUNTEER AS A COUNSELOR / SUPPORT STAFF. Visit https://www.epaumc.org/ministry/camp-retreat for more info or visit each camp's website. There is info in the hallway. For financial support please contact our church office.

SERVANT SATURDAY: On the first Saturday of each month, incl. *May 6*, show God's love to the people around you by finding a way to give of your time, talents and treasure. Use your imaginations to find ways to give by yourself or with others. **DOWNTOWN MINISTRY:** We also provide meals & personal care items for people who are unhoused in Lancaster City on Servant Saturdays. **Meet at 2pm to cook a hot meal** at Faith UMC, and then **go downtown to deliver it.** To help, contact Diana at 717-283-6099.

COMMUNITY MEAL: People in need may pick up a Grab 'n Go Meal at Zion Lutheran Church in East Petersburg every Monday. Several churches support this ministry. Faith UMC provides fifty Grab 'n Go Meals quarterly. Our next turn is on April 10. Help package meals at 9:30 AM. Contact Carol Kennedy if you can help.



THE FLOWERS AROUND THE ALTAR ARE



PRESENTED BY:

Lisa Baker Lisa Baker Lisa Baker

Erich, Ann, & Angela Erich, Ann, & Angela

Janet & Beverly Charles

Marilyn Jones

Allen & Carol Kennedy Allen & Carol Kennedy

Terry Kofroth Tina Miller

Gwen & Ruthmary Newell

Renee Norman

Tim & Sandy Patschke Tim & Sandy Patschke

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Jake Ruhl Jake Ruhl Diana Valentine

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Ruth Whelan Clara Nelson Margaretta Buckel Mary Byers

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Herbert M Charles, Jr.

Carl Jones

Jay & Jesse Kennedy Herbert & Vera Bergman

Barry Kofroth Her son, Zachary Donald Newell

Richard & Gladys Kilmer Allen & Lorraine Patschke Ruth & Gene Stillwagner Unangst family loved ones Perkowski loved ones

Beverly Ruhl Mom & Dad Jackie Valentine

IN HONOR OF:

Persephone Nelson (aka Penny)

Diane Black Sandy Winters

Sheri Jones Sherman & Andy Jones Matthew, Carrie, Julie, & Alex

Their family Their family

Friends who have become family

ONGOING EVENTS:

Tuesdays Wednesdays

Sundays Adult Sunday School, 9:00 AM

Worship, 10:30 AM in the Sanctuary and Facebook Live

Junior Church during 10:30 AM worship

Youth Group at Faith, 5-7 PM.

1st Sundays Communion is offered during worship service, 10:30AM

Mondays GriefShare 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 Bible2School, 9:45 to 11:30 AM for Reidenbaugh students in Fellowship Hall Bible2School, 11:20 AM-1:20 PM for Reidenbaugh students in Fellowship Hall

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

1st & 3rd Saturdays Faith UMC works with IMPACT! Missions – Contact Leon Bame to help

1st Saturdays Servant Saturday & Downtown Food Ministry, 2PM

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Sunday, Apr 9 Easter Sunrise Service at Oregon Community UMC, 6:30 AM

Easter Service at Oregon Community UMC, 9:00 AM

Easter Service at Faith UMC, 10:30 AM

Monday, Apr 10 Faith UMC provides Grab 'N Go Meal at Zion Lutheran Church, 9:30 AM

April 10-15 Pastor Jason on Vacation – contact the Church Office for Pastoral Support

Thursday, Apr 13 Wing and a Prayer AA Meeting in the Fellowship Hall, 10:00 AM

Finance Team meeting, 6:00 PM

Saturday, Apr 15 Bible2School Family Picnic at Faith UMC, Noon – 2:00 PM Everyone is invited!

Monday, Apr 17 SPRC meeting has been postponed

GriefShare Group, 5:00 to 6:00 PM Chatting Club via Zoom, 6:30 PM Confirmation Class, 7:30-9:00 PM

Fri – Sun, Apr 21-23 Confirmation Retreat at Gretna Glen

Sunday, Apr 30 New Members Class begins, Noon (also May 7 & 14)

WORSHIP LEADERS for next Sunday, April 16 are:

PASTOR: Jason Perkowski

WORSHIP MUSIC: Jody & Anthony Wiker and the Faith Singers

AUDIO/VISUAL TECH: Dennis Meck, Sr. GREETERS: Marilyn Jones & Leon Bame

USHERS: Jake Ruhl & Leon Bame

LITURGIST: Rhonda Leese

CHILDREN'S TIME: Pastor Jason

JUNIOR CHURCH: Lisa Baker & Brenden Edwards YOUTH GROUP: Pastor Jason & Sara Solodky