### **PRAYER REQUESTS:**

#### **OUR CONCERNS:**

Wisdom & safety for government officials globally President Joe Biden and VP Kamala Harris Healthy and gentle campaigns and election process Prayers for political candidates—safety & wisdom

Veterans and Service Members

Civilians, leaders, and soldiers in war torn regions

Ukrainian people and their nation

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. Morocco & Libva

Stewardship of our environment & climate

Eradication of deadly diseases

Refugees & huddled masses yearning to be free

Security and immigration reform

People who are hungry and unhoused

Prisoners, Prison Leadership & Judges

Education Funding, 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

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

Chuck Flory – ALS

Annette McClarigan – health, sons & family

Jean Neideigh – healing (MS)

Angela, Maria and Becky – to be healthy & thrive Children – to know they are not alone in struggles Those with cancer: Cyndi Campbell, Dean Grove,

Mark Reitzel, Kerry Link, Duane Lehman, Lori, Sophia Serio, Ruthie, Martin Campbell, Ben Neideigh, Harmony Chiccarine, Grandma Edwards, Nat, Tina Miller, Carl Derr, Dorcas Kamanda, Cynthia (from NJ), etc.

Noah Boughter, Sophie and family

Heather Lindsey

Theo Wenger – healing for kidneys

Jake Ruhl – hip pain

Shirley Gehr – healing

The Jackson Family

Robert T. Perkowski – healing

Robyn Meckley – healing

Jim Harbison – chronic pain and recovery

Jeff Johns & family – healing for mom

Linda Weber - healing

Tiffany & those caring for her

Terry & Margie Urban & family – housing

Margie Urban – health & infections

Michael Herr (Steph Edward's dad) – medical tests

Craig Muir – healing after surgery

Jeff Johnson – healing after heart attack

Rachel Link – for a healthy pregnancy

Dave Fisher – car accident

Oksana Kuzmenko – healing from broken ankle

Sandy Patschke - healing after a fall & back

Principal Rilatt, his family and his recovery

Brent Rollins – healing after spinal surgery

Denny Armstrong – healing after colon surgery

Elijah Hoffman – healing after eye surgery Terry Kofroth – healing after back surgery

Rev. Dorcas – eyes, cancer surgery, & Sierra Leone

Ella Buchanan – healing from pneumonia

Carl Derr – breathing problems

Families of students who committed suicide

Peace in Israel & Palestine

Carol Bryer – pancreatic cancer

Joan (Nancy's sister-in-law) – breast cancer Gail's cancer & Bob's dementia -friends of Sandy

Ruthie & Gary – friends of Amy

#### **OUR PRAISES:**

God's presence through illness, struggle & loss Grace and forgiveness from God Birth of Maleek – son of Tiffany Gaut and godson of Natalie Statler



# Welcome

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# Faith United Methodist Church



## October 29, 2023 at 10:30 AM – 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

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**ELCOME:** We come together to worship the triune God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit who created, redeem and restore all things. 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 & CENTERING PRAYER

Michelle Bame

**UMH #95** 

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Jason & God's People

As we gather to worship today, turn to a neighbor\* and say to each other, "Welcome! I am glad you are here!" Welcome! I am glad you are here!

Now, turn to another neighbor\* and say to each other, "You are loved by God and by me!"

You are loved by God and by me!

Beloved children of God, how can we love each other today?

By meeting and listening and caring for one another face-to-face.

Beloved children of God, how can we love God today?

By practicing our love for one another and God with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength.

Let us worship God together today!

We come to worship God by living our love for God and neighbor face-to-face. Amen.

Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, April 2023

\*HYMN O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee UMH #430
SCRIPTURE LESSON Deuteronomy 34:1-12 Michelle Bame

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

CHILDREN'S TIME Pastor Jason

\*HYMN O God, Our Help in Ages Past UMH 117

THE PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER UMH #895

SCRIPTURE LESSON Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17 Michelle Bame

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

\*HYMN Lord, I Want to Be a Christian UMH #402

SCRIPTURE LESSON 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8 Michelle Bame

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

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

Hymn

God of Love and God of Power

UMH #578

\*Doxology Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow \*Offertory Prayer

SCRIPTURE LESSON Matthew 22:34-46 Michelle Bame

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

SERMON Face to Face

BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH

Pastor Jason

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All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

UMH #154 v. 1, 2, 4, 5, 6

\*HYMN

Pianist: Dolly BankertAV Tech: Dennis Meck, Sr & Keagan MeckPastor: The Rev. Jason PerkowskiMinisters: 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 CLASS:** 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.

**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. Please sign your child in before the service and get a badge with matching numbers. Children are dismissed to Jr. Church after the Children's Message. After worship, pick up kids in the Education Wing, 3rd classroom on the right. **Adults willing** to be part of a teaching rotation for Junior Church 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. November 19, youth will go to Gretna Glen. Meet at Faith at 3:30PM and pick up at Faith at 7PM. Permission slips are required. Contact Pastor Jason for more info. Students from any church or school are invited to join us.

**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: November 6 & 20.** 

*CHATTING* VIA ZOOM on Mondays at 6:30 PM: This member-led, discussion group meets online at: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86190453518?pwd=cEVDeDljeThaaWVIYjlOWmZjTm5oUT09.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY at Oregon Community UMC, 6:30PM

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

**JUNIOR CHURCH TEACHERS NEEDED:** Teaching our children about our faith is a core mission of our church. We need people to take turns teaching 3year-4<sup>th</sup> grade students during the 10:30 AM Service. *Deep Blue* Curriculum and materials are all provided. **We need teachers and teacher's aides. Please volunteer TODAY!** 

THE CHURCH & SOCIETY TEAM is exploring how we can engage in improving our community by standing up against injustice and the forces of wickedness. The next meeting is Nov 16 at Faith UMC at 5:30 PM (3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of every month). To learn more, contact Pastor Jason or Renee Norman. To learn about one of our partners, POWER INTERFAITH LANCASTER COUNTY and their work on justice issues around schools, the criminal justice system, etc., please visit <a href="https://powerinterfaith.org">https://powerinterfaith.org</a>. To learn more about Bail Reform, join the weekly Wednesday Zoom Session at Noon:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82483314676?pwd=K2ZtZGQ0LzBOelVIVXQwUk5LR2VFQT09

**SUB SALE:** Faith UMC has certificates from S. Clyde Weaver for sale at \$7.00 each. Pick up a delicious made-to-order sub at any of their locations. It's convenient when you don't feel like cooking! You have a choice of at least 7 varieties of sandwiches available on a sub roll, bread or wrap. Please see Carol Kennedy to buy coupons.

<sup>\*</sup> You are invited to stand

**ALL SAINTS SUNDAY: On November 5**, we would like to honor all of our loved ones that have passed away since last year. **VETERANS DAY: On November 12** 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 30 / Nov 6). 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; please just let us know if you want them to be included and if their rank has changed.* 

IN NEED OF HELP? Contact Pastor Jason, dial 2-1-1 or visit <a href="www.211.org">www.211.org</a> to reach the United Way Call Center for social services. The Crisis Intervention Lifeline is (717) 394-2631 or dial 9-8-8.

ATTENTION COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS & MEMBERS OF FAITH UMC: Our CHARGE CONFERENCE is scheduled for Saturday, November 4 at 9:00AM at Lititz, UMC. Please make every effort to attend. If you have any final edits to your conference forms, please contact Pastor Jason ASAP.

VISIONING MEETING: Saturday, November 11, 8:00-11:30 AM. Members of Church Council are encouraged to attend this important meeting where we will spend time discerning God's will for our ministries.

OFFERINGS: Thank you for your generous gifts. We have had several really positive weeks of offerings that are enabling us to meet our obligations. We have also paid off our 2022 past due apportionments in full! This is excellent progress. Please keep up the generosity as we work together to fully fund our ministries for the year.

Please prayerfully consider if you can become a regular contributor, can increase your weekly giving or make a special one-time gift as we enter the final quarter of 2023. We need \$3,675 per week to meet our Annual Ministry Budget and \$3,900 per month toward Debt Reduction to pay our mortgage on the Education Wing. Please also return your 2024 Pledge Cards by Sunday, Nov. 5.



Gifts can be directed to General Ministry and the Debt Reduction / Building Fund. Mark preferences in the memo line & envelope. You can set up recurring gifts through your own financial institution or at <a href="https://secure.myvanco.com/L-Z37Q/home">https://secure.myvanco.com/L-Z37Q/home</a>. There is a link at <a href="faithUMC.us">FaithUMC.us</a> or via the QR Code. You can also mail 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 or a bequest to the church in your will.

BIBLE2SCHOOL SMALL GROUP LEADERS are needed for 2-4<sup>th</sup> grade classes on Tuesdays and Wednesday for 1.5 hours each class. Students from Reidenbaugh Elem. get bussed to Faith UMC each week for a lesson and then small group discussion. The teachers provide the core lesson, but we need small group leaders to follow up with a 10-minute discussion time with pre-planned questions & activities. Contact Pastor Jason to help.

IT'S EASY TO SEND A CARD TO HOMEBOUND PEOPLE: There are two baskets on the table in the hallway. One has cards & the other has address labels of church members who are homebound. Please feel free to take cards and address labels, add your thoughts and prayers, maybe put in a note with a special memory, and drop it in the mail. Getting "snail mail" is always a delight; spread some joy to those who cannot get to church. The address labels will be changed regularly so we can include all our members who are homebound. If you know of someone to add to our list, please see Buni.

**LITITZ MEALS ON WHEELS has an urgent and on-going need for volunteer cooks.** Follow pre-printed easy menus for 50-60 people. Contact Jewel Shaub at 717-626-4352 or <u>tjshaub@gmail.com</u> or John Huber at 717-627-1176 or <u>jehuber@ptd.net</u> or leave a message at 717-626-2500.

**PRAYER SHAWLS AVAILABLE from the rack in the hall.** Please sign the sheet attached to the rack.

**LONG MEMORIAL FREE GROCERIES** for those in need every week through their Friday Night Food Ministry at 6pm. You can drive up and receive groceries to help support you through the week. *Volunteers needed*.

IMPACT MISSION Lunch Crew needs volunteers on Thursdays, 10AM-Noon. Volunteer for 1 or more Thursdays a month (or some Wednesdays). *Help make bagged lunches for Impact volunteers* at Christ UMC, 935 E. Walnut St., Lancaster. Contact Sue Grimm Mattox at sgrimm1028@gmail.com or 717.575.6414

**LUMINA KIDS NIGHT needs volunteers** for Monday evenings Nov. 6, 13, & 20. They need 3-4 adults to play with the kids and provide a light supper for 15 students. Contact Pastor Jason or Correen Russo 717-808-8633.

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 – 6 pm. *Tell staff to credit Non-profit partner # 10221 - Faith UMC*. Write or tape partner number on bags/boxes.

**MEDICINE BOTTLE COLLECTION:** We are sending empty prescription pill bottles to medical clinics overseas. *Please remove labels & residue.* There is a collection basket under the table as you enter the Sanctuary.

#### **ONGOING EVENTS:**

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 (3:30-7PM to Gretna Glen on 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays)

1st Sundays

Communion offered during worship service, followed by refreshments

Mondays

GriefShare Group - Every other Monday from 5:00-6:00 PM at Faith UMC

Chatting Club via Zoom, 6:30 PM

**Tuesdays** Bible2School in the Fellowship Hall, 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Nar-Anon meeting - Every other Tuesday from 7:00-9:00 PM at Faith UMC

Wednesdays Bible2School in the Fellowship Hall, 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Worship Team Practice, 6:30 PM

Bible Study at Oregon Community UMC, 6:30PM

**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

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

**Tuesday, Oct 31** Nar-Anon meeting 7:00 to 9:00 PM

Wednesday, Nov 1 Ladies' Lunch at Oregon Dairy – RSVP to Sandy Patschke

**Thursday, Nov 2** SPRC meeting, 6:00 PM **Friday, Nov 3** Soup Sale Prep, 5:00 PM

Saturday, Nov 4 Charge Conference at Lititz UMC, 9:00 AM

Soup Sale Pickup, 12:00 to 2:00 PM (walk-ins welcome while supply lasts)

Monday, Nov 6 GriefShare Group - Every other Monday from 5:00 to 6:00 PM

Chatting Club via Zoom, 6:30 PM

**Tuesday, Nov 7** Election Day – Faith UMC is a polling place 7:00 am to 8:00 pm

**Wednesday, Nov 8** District Resource Team meeting, 6:00 to 7:30 PM

**Thursday, Nov 9** Finance meeting, 6:00 PM

Saturday, Nov 11 Visioning Meeting, 8:00 to 11:30 AM

Sunday, Nov 19 Youth Group at Gretna Glen - meet at Faith UMC, 3:30 to 7:00 PM

#### **WORSHIP LEADERS for next Sunday, November 5 are:**

GREETERS: Lisa Baker & Marilyn Jones USHERS: Lisa Baker & Allen Kennedy

LITURGIST: Tim Patschke

CHILDREN'S TIME: Amy Boughter

JUNIOR CHURCH: Gwen Newell, Carol Kennedy, & Angela Dillon

YOUTH GROUP: Pastor Jason & volunteer needed