

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

HOLIDAY BAZAAR at OCUMC! Thank you to everyone who helped with this event—including all vendors, volunteers and patrons! We appreciate your support.

YOUTH GROUP, SUNDAYS, 5-7 PM at Faith UMC for 5th-12th graders. Students from any church or school are invited. **Sign up 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.

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: October 23 & November 6.**

CHATTING VIA ZOOM on Mondays at 6:30 PM: This member-led, discussion group meets online at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86190453518?pwd=cEVDeDljeThaaWVlYjIjQWmZjTm5oUT09>.

BIBLE STUDY on Wednesdays at 6:30pm at Oregon Community UMC in Fellowship Hall led by Mike.

FRIDAY BIBLE STUDY at 10AM in Faith UMC Fellowship Hall with Pastor Jason.

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 (3rd Thursday of every month).** To learn more, contact Pastor Jason or Renee Norman. POWER Interfaith Lancaster County is one of our allies in their work on justice issues around schools, the criminal justice system, etc. Info at: <https://powerinterfaith.org>. To learn more about **Bail Reform**, join the weekly Wednesday Zoom Session at Noon: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82483314676?pwd=K2ZtZGQ0LzBOeIVlVXQWUk5LR2VFQT09>

LONG MEMORIAL FREE GROCERIES for those in need every Friday Night at 6pm. You can drive up and receive groceries to help support you through the week. *Volunteers are needed from 5-6pm.*

TRUNK OR TREAT: Come and join us **Sat., Oct 28th for Trunk or Treat from 6-8pm at Faith UMC!** We need people to decorate your car trunks and hand out candy to the community kids. Come in costume and help us bring some fun to our neighbors! We will have pumpkin decorating, lawn games, free hot dogs and cider. **This event was a huge success last year and had a large turnout. We need volunteers** to be a part of the trunk brigade in the kitchen & dining room, with games or pumpkin decorating. Please contact Lisa at lisa.baker2294@gmail.com or 717-615-6707. **Volunteers and decorated vehicles should arrive by 5:00 to set up.**

JUNIOR CHURCH TEACHERS NEEDED AT FAITH UMC: Teaching our children about our faith is a core mission of church. We need people to take turns teaching 3 year-4th grade students during the 10:30AM Service. *Deep Blue* Curriculum and materials are all provided. **We need teachers and aides. Contact Pastor to volunteer.**

BIBLE2SCHOOL SMALL GROUP LEADERS are needed for 2-4th grade classes on Tues and Wed for 1.5 hours each class. Students from Reidenbaugh Elementary get bussed to Faith UMC each week. The teachers provide the core lesson, **but we need small group leaders to follow up the lesson with a 10-minute-long discussion time with pre-planned questions and activities.** Contact Pastor Jason to sign up to help.

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 tjshaub@gmail.com or John Huber at 717-627-1176 or jehuber@ptd.net or leave a message at 717-626-2500.

FALL SOUP SALE at Faith UMC: Choose from **Vegetable Beef, Chicken Corn, Chicken Corn Noodle, Tomato Bisque, Creamy Potato, or Ham & Bean Soup** made by Oregon Dairy. **Each quart is \$10.** Soup will be available for pick-up on **November 4 from Noon-2PM. No more pre-orders, but there will be extra quarts for purchase on Nov. 4.** Any questions, contact Lisa at 717-615-6707 or lisa.baker2294@gmail.com.

ATTENTION COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS & MEMBERS OF OCUMC UMC: Our CHARGE CONFERENCE is scheduled for Saturday, November 4 at 10:00AM at Lititz, UMC. Please make every effort to attend. If you have any final edits to your conference forms, please contact Pastor Jason ASAP.

Welcome to Oregon Community United Methodist Church



Address: 1214 Creek Road, Lititz, PA 17543
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Pastor: The Rev. Jason Perkowski
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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 THE SANCTUARY at 9:00 AM at Oregon Community UMC
& BROADCAST at 10:30 AM from Faith UMC on Facebook & church websites.**

OFFICE HOURS: Pastor Jason is generally available Mon-Thurs from about 10-5pm. 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

October 22, 2023 at 10:30 AM – 21st Sunday after Pentecost

WELCOMES: 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!

GREETINGS, ANNOUNCEMENTS & CENTERING PRAYER

Pastor Jason

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Jason & God's People

We gather today to remember and proclaim that we are God's people.

We are God's people! God's presence is among us!

Like Moses, we seek an encounter with God's goodness.

God, show us your goodness that we may glorify you in all that we do.

God's goodness passes by us every day in the gracious gifts of creation and in the faces of our neighbors.

God, help us notice your goodness in everything and everyone that we meet.

When we notice God's goodness all around us, we recognize this truth: all things are God's.

Let us give to God the things that are God's! Amen.

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

*HYMN

Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

UMH #361

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Exodus 33:12-23

Ralph Stone

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

CHILDREN'S TIME

Pastor Jason

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

*Doxology

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Pastor Jason

UMH #95

*Offertory Prayer

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalm 99

Ralph Stone

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

*HYMN

Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

UMH #731

SCRIPTURE LESSON

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Ralph Stone

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

THE PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

UMH #895

SPECIAL MUSIC

Feel the Nails by Ray Boltz

Ralph Stone

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 22:15-22

Ralph Stone

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

SERMON

The Things that are God's

Pastor Jason

BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH

Pastor Jason

*HYMN

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

UMH #103

Pianist: Jody Wiker **Pastor:** The Rev. Jason Perkowski **Ministers:** The People of God
Liturgists: October 1 Dot Lange; 8 Bob Jolly; 15 Mike Shifflet; 22 Ralph Stone; 29 Pastor Jason

BIRTHDAYS: October 1 Jane Hess; 3 Jody Wiker; 15 Gene Denlinger

ANNIVERSARIES: October 13 Bob & Christie Jolly

PRAYER REQUESTS: Cynthia Kelly's mother, broken hip; Families of students who committed suicide; all those in mourning; Kathy Fisher, healing from hip surgery; Bob Jolly, healing from eye surgery; Al Lange, recuperation; Dean Cooper, healing for heart; Vince Habel, healing; Shirley Baker, healing; Larry Cooper, continued healing and relief from back pain; Cheryl Cooper, MS; Bruce, hamstring; Fritsch & Stone family; Rev. Dorcas, healing from cancer; Cynthia from NJ, battling cancer; Shirley Gehr; Kevin's kidneys & surgery (Joetta's grandson); Dot's sister, Margaret; Robert T. Perkowski, healing and strength; Brent Rollins, healing after spinal surgery; Denny Armstrong, healing after colon surgery; Josh & Megan (Jackie's grandkids); Maria, Angela and Gerhart children; Foster Families; Kathy Muth, cellulitis; Jack Muth, brain cancer; Chuck Flory, ALS; Bob Rinier; Joanne Steinmetz (Jackie's sister) with scleroderma; Judy Brivchik, eyesight; all those with cancer; Campus Ministries; Bishop John Schol, Conference Staff, DS Jenny Freymoyer, Pastors and Laity. **PRAISES:** God's presence and healings; Birth of a nephew to Pastor Jason & Julie; Keyonna and Rob expecting. **PRAYERS FOR THE WORLD:** The people of Israel, Palestine, Ukraine & Russia; 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; Victims of gun violence; The UMC & disaffiliations; Veterans & 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; students, teachers & administration; libraries & staff; those struggling with addictions or mental illness; seniors; those grieving; our ministries; our community; leaders.



OFFERINGS: Thank you to everyone that supports our ministries. **Please consider if you are able to make a gift.** You can set up recurring donations through your own financial institution or at www.OregonCommunityUMC.US or via the QR Code. You can direct gifts to the **General Ministry, Building Funds, or UMCOR relief efforts (via <https://umcmmission.org>.)** We are able to receive gifts from **Required Minimum Distributions** from tax deferred **Retirement Accounts** (of those over 73 years of age), **Stocks, Bonds, Investments, Foundations, IRAs, 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.**

MEDICINE BOTTLE PROJECT: We collect empty prescription pill bottles for clinics overseas to package medications. **Remove labels & residue.** **NECKTIES & T-SHIRTS NEEDED** for the crafts that we will have for sale at Breakfast with Santa next December. The collection basket is under the table in the lobby.

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.

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.

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 bring a framed photo of your loved ones to the church that morning. No later than the Monday before each service** (Oct 30 / Nov 6), please email Pastor Jason the full name, date of birth/death, and for veterans their military branch and rank.

SUB SALE: Oregon Community UMC still 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 Pastor Jason or Joetta Henry to buy a coupon.