### **PRAYER REQUESTS:**

#### **OUR CONCERNS:**

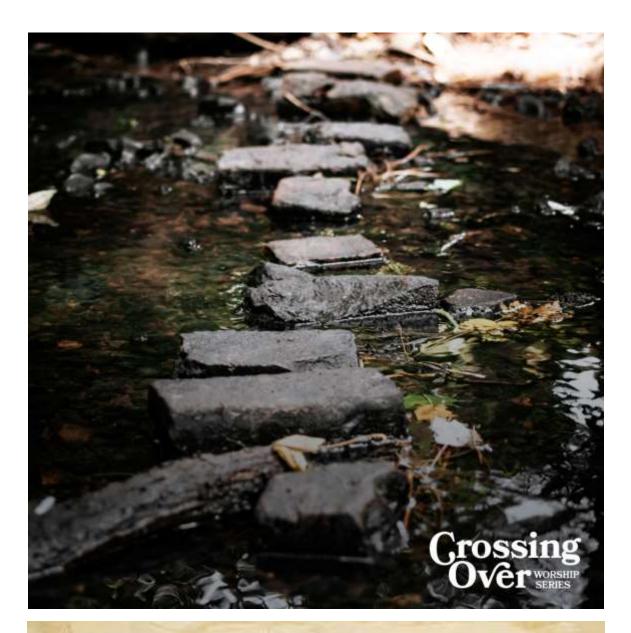
Peace in Israel, Palestine, and Ukraine For peace & wisdom in areas of conflict Wisdom & safety for government officials globally President Joe Biden and VP Kamala Harris Healthy and gentle campaigns and election process Veterans and Service Members Civilians, leaders, and soldiers in war torn regions 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 & disease Stewardship of our environment & climate 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 Udobo School in Durban, South Africa **Campus Ministries** Dottie Sheaffer – healing for back & eyes Eileen Williams – muscles Bradley McGowan – ALS Linda Philbin – motor neuropathy & healing 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 Noah Boughter, Sophie and family Heather Lindsey Theo Wenger – healing for kidneys Jake Ruhl – hip and shoulder pain

Those with cancer: Cyndi Campbell, Dean Grove, Mark Reitzel, Kerry Link, Duane Lehman, Lori, Ruthie, Martin Campbell, Ben Neideigh, Harmony Chiccarine, Grandma Edwards, Nat, Tina Miller, Carl Derr, Dorcas Kamanda, Cynthia (from NJ), Jim Royer, Adam Malik, Carol Bryner (Allen K's sister), Joan (Nancy's sister-in-law), Benedicta Fair (Romanita's Aunt) Shirley Gehr – healing The Jackson Family Robyn Meckley – healing Linda Weber - healing Terry & Margie Urban & family – housing & health Michael Herr (Steph Edward's dad) - medical tests Dave Fisher – car accident Principal Rilatt, his family and his recovery Terry Kofroth – healing and back surgery Rev. Dorcas – eyes, cancer surgery, & Sierra Leone Gail's cancer-friend of Sandy Ruthie & Gary with Dementia - friends of Amy Brenda, Dave and Mike Loechner - health Bob Perkowski - shoulder & neurosurgery on back Renia Perkowski – healing after pain stim. surgery Tracy and Eddie Dean (Pastor Jason's cousins) for healing from foot surgery and broken leg George (Ella Buchanan's brother) - health

Jason & Julie Perkowski & their 3 foster boys Kim – home was broken into and is afraid Tracey – follow up reports on a tumor Deb Stauffer – healing from pneumonia Diana Valentine – bone infection in foot Bev Charles – Diabetes Kevin Bodder – healing from work accident Carol Dronke – upcoming surgery Tom Chapman – Gastritis & gall bladder surgery The Hackman Family after fire and death Vickie - neurological issues & GI issues Rev. Sally Ott - upcoming spinal surgery **OUR PRAISES:** 

Priscilla – successful defibrillator replacement Love and support of Faith UMC Family God's faithful love that is new every morning God's presence through illness, struggle & loss Beauty of nature & sunshine The Promise of Heaven

God is in control & walks with us through everything Please submit prayer needs, praises, & updates by note or email to the office: faithumc@hotmail.com



# Welcome

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# Faith United Methodist Church



## February 11, 2024 at 10:30 AM – Transfiguration Sunday

**ELCOME:** We gather together to worship the God who calls us—who spoke everything into creation, who spoke from the mountain tops and the burning bush, who spoke through the law and the prophets, who speaks into our spirit as the Holy Spirit, and who is the Word made flesh. So, 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. Together, we listen to hear God speak to us anew as individuals and as community.

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

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Jason & God's People

The mighty one, God the LORD, speaks and summons the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting. **Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God shines forth** (Psalm 50:1-2).

God's glory fills the earth, but sometimes we, like Elisha, do not think we are ready to encounter glory. **And vet, God's glory showed up anyway.** 

Sometimes we are like the disciples who witnessed Jesus' transfiguration and wanted to cling to that one glorious moment.

And yet, God called them down from the mountain.

So, we gather today, some of us feeling ready and some of us feeling wholly unprepared, yet all are called together to worship and to be led by glory out into the world.

God, may we perceive your glory all around us, pointing us in the way you would have us go. Amen. Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, August 2023

*HYMN	Children of the Heavenly Father	UMH #141
SCRIPTURE LESSON	<b>2 Kings 2:1-12</b> This is the Word of the Lord — <b>Thanks be to God!</b>	<b>Bob Rodgers</b>
CHILDREN'S TIME		Michelle Bame
SCRIPTURE LESSON	<b>Psalm 50:1-6</b> This is the Word of the Lord — <b>Thanks be to God!</b>	<b>Bob Rodgers</b>
*HYMN	Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling	UMH #348
SCRIPTURE LESSON	<b>2 Corinthians 4:3-6</b> This is the Word of the Lord — <b>Thanks be to God!</b>	<b>Bob Rodgers</b>
THE PRAYERS OF GOD'	S PEOPLE	
*HYMN	Hail to the Lord's Anointed	UMH #203
SCRIPTURE LESSON	Mark 9:2-9 This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!	<b>Bob Rodgers</b>
SERMON	Crossing Over	Pastor Jason
<b>COMMUNION</b> All are invited to th	he Lord's Table to receive God's forgiveness and grace throug	UMH #12-13 h Communion

#### **OUR OFFERINGS OF PRAYERS, PRESENCE, GIFTS, SERVICE & WITNESS** \*Doxology Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow **UMH #95** THE GREAT THANKSGIVING & THE LORD'S PRAYER UMH #13-14 & #895 **RECEIVING THE BREAD AND THE CUP UMH #15** \*HYMN I Stand Amazed in the Presence **UMH #371** \*HYMN There Is a Fountain Filled with Blood **UMH #622 BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH Pastor Jason** \*HYMN UMH #176 Majesty, Worship His Majesty

\* You are invited to stand in body or in Spirit

Pianist: Dolly BankertAV Tech: Dennis Meck, Sr & Keagan MeckPastor: The Rev. Jason PerkowskiMinisters: The People of God

**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.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL at 9:00 AM meets in the 1<sup>st</sup> classroom in the Ed. Wing.

**JUNIOR CHURCH** for 3-year-olds - 4th grade during the 10:30AM Worship Service. Please sign your child in before the service & get a numbered badge. 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.

**MEMBERSHIP CLASS: Meet on Feb 11 at Noon.** If you are interested in learning more about the UMC and our church, and are considering membership, contact Pastor Jason.

**YOUTH GROUP ON SUNDAYS, 5-7 PM at Faith UMC** for 5th-12th graders. Each week there are dinner, games & a lesson. Sign up to be the 2nd adult and/or to provide a meal. For more info or to help, please contact Pastor Jason. **The next Gretna Glen trip is Feb 18 (3:30-7 PM). Volunteer needed.** 

**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: February 19 & March 3.** 

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

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY at Oregon Community UMC, 6:30 PM. Not Feb 14 – Ash Wednesday

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

**THE CHURCH & SOCIETY TEAM** engages in improving our community by standing up against injustice. **Next meeting: Feb 15 at 5:30 PM (3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays).** We will discuss the Feb 7, LNP article, "Immigrants Make US A Stronger, Richer Nation." These sessions will now be by Zoom only at:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82735304374?pwd=eDBSZHRCZVphSnh2TENDZ0xrdG0vQT09. To learn more, contact Renee Norman. <u>Roadmap For Justice:</u> POWER Interfaith Convention in Harrisburg on Monday, Feb 19 from 11:30AM-4PM. *The link takes you to online registration*. To be a part of the team working on Criminal Justice & Bail Reform, join the us online at Noon every Wednesday:

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

**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.

**SUB SALE:** We have certificates from S. Clyde Weaver for \$7.00. Pick up a delicious made-to-order sub at any of their locations. You have 7+ varieties of sandwiches available on a sub roll, bread or wrap or you may pick a ready-made sandwich. You can support our ministries while getting a discount on your sandwich! See Carol.

**SEND A CARD TO HOMEBOUND PEOPLE:** There are cards and address labels in the hall. Add your thoughts and prayers, maybe include 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. If you know of someone to add to our list, please see Buni. In addition to individual cards and labels, there are complete sets of labels in small bags pinned to the bulletin board.

**SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY:** If you forgot to bring some canned soup to share with our local food bank you may still bring it next week.

**SPAGHETTI DINNER FEBRUARY 18, 5-7 PM:** Dinner will be spaghetti (gluten-free available) with meat sauce, a salad, bread, & a sweet treat. There is also a meatless sauce option available. *To pre-order sign up in the hall, call the church office at 717-560-0321 or email FaithUMC@hotmail.com.* Pay want you want. Donations may be made on our website, <u>www.FaithUMC.us</u> under "Online Giving," or you can make a donation when you pick up your meal. All donations support the ministries of the church. *There are signup sheets in the hall to order dinners, help on Saturday or Sunday, and donate fresh vegetables or dessert.* 

**TOOLS FOR MINISTRY: February 24 from 8AM-Noon** at Salem UMC, 140 N Penn St, Manheim, PA 17545. Registration and workshop descriptions coming soon! **Mark your calendar now!** There will be workshops for leaders who serve as Trustees, on Finance, Church Council, SPRC, etc. There will also be training on ministry for Seniors and Youth, how to get grants and low-cost technology, creative outreach, etc. **Stay tuned for more info!** 

**LITITZ DAY OF PRAYER: Fri., March 1, 2024 at 7PM** with music at 6:30 pm. St. Paul Lutheran Church, 200 W Orange St, Lititz. Featured Speaker: William Zee, attorney. A free-will offering will be taken in support of Warwick Release Time Program. Special Music by: Lititz Moravian Trombone Choir & St James Folk Group.

**THANK YOU for your faithful giving** toward our ministries through your prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness! Our church is growing in attendance for worship, Bible Studies and ministries. New people are exploring how they can connect with us. Thank you for being such a welcoming and loving congregation!

While we ended 2023 in strong financial shape, we do need to be faithful in giving each week in order to meet our obligations and have the resources to maintain and expand our ministries. We need gifts toward the General Ministry and Debt Reduction for the mortgage. Please prayerfully consider how you can help.

Gifts can be directed to **General Ministry and/or 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 <u>https://secure.myvanco.com/L-Z37Q/home</u>. There is a link at **FaithUMC.us** or via the **QR Code.** You can also **mail** or **place an offering in the plate**. Special gifts from IRAs, stocks, etc. can also be received.



**MEDICINE BOTTLE COLLECTION PROJECT:** We are sending empty prescription pill bottles to clinics in underprivileged countries that use them to provide medication. *Please remove all labels and sticky residue*. There is a collection basket under the table as you enter the Sanctuary.

**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*.

**COMMUNITY MEAL:** People in need may pick up a **Grab 'n Go Meal at Zion Lutheran Church in East Petersburg every Monday**. Several churches in the area support this ministry. Faith UMC provides fifty Grab 'n Go Meals quarterly. Contact Carol Kennedy if you are interested in participating in this ministry.

**FAITH UMC WORSHIP TEAM:** Do sing, play an instrument, and make a joyful noise to the Lord? If so, then we have an opportunity for you! **The Faith Singers meet every Sunday at 9:00 AM (new day & time)** to learn Sunday morning's hymns, praise and worship songs, and anthems designed to enhance the worship experience. We want you to share with us in this opportunity! We will welcome you with open arms, open hearts, and open voices.

**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.

**PASTOR JASON ON HALF-TIME PATERNITY LEAVE UNTIL EASTER:** He will continue to preach, lead the Youth Ministry & Grief Share, teach Bible2School & Friday Bible Study, and provide pastoral care. **If committees want Pastor Jason to attend meetings, contact him in advance. For pastoral needs, call, email or text with a** *detailed message*. **He will primarily be available when the boys are in school.** Sundays are focused on worship service and youth ministry. **9am-3pm Monday-Thursdays are the best time to reach him.** 

#### **ONGOING EVENTS:**

Sundays	Adult Sunday School, 9:00 AM
	Worship Team Practice, 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 (Gretna Glen on Feb 18)
1st Sundays	Communion offered during worship service, followed by refreshments moved to Feb 11
Mondays	GriefShare Group - Every other Monday, 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 - Every other Tuesday, 7:00-9:00 PM at Faith UMC
Wednesdays	Bible2School in the Fellowship Hall, 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM
-	Bible Study at Oregon Community UMC, 6:30PM Not Feb 14 – Ash Wednesday
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:**

Sunday, Feb 11	SOUPER Bowl Sunday - Wear your favorite jersey & bring canned soup	
	Communion during worship followed by refreshments	
	Membership Class, noon	
Wednesday, Feb 14	Ash Wednesday service at Oregon Community UMC, 7:00 PM	
Thursday, Feb 15	Senior Men's Lunch at Oregon Dairy, 11:30 AM RSVP to Mike Bitner	
	Church & Society meeting via Zoom, 5:30 pm	
Saturday, Feb 17	Prep for Spaghetti Dinner, 8:00 AM	
Sunday, Feb 18	Spaghetti Dinner, 5:00 -7:00 PM	
Monday, Feb 19	<b>Roadmap For Justice:</b> POWER Interfaith Convention in Harrisburg	
	GriefShare Group - Every other Monday from 5:00 to 6:00 PM	
	Chatting Club via Zoom, 6:30 PM	
Thursday, Feb 22	Trustees meeting, 6:00 PM	
Saturday, Feb 24	TOOLS FOR MINISTRY at Salem UMC, Manheim, 8AM-Noon	

### WORSHIP LEADERS for next Sunday, Feb 18 are:

GREETERS: Tim & Sandy Patschke USHERS: Tim Patschke & Allen Kennedy LITURGIST: Michelle Bame CHILDREN'S TIME: Pastor Jason JUNIOR CHURCH: Lisa Baker & Carol Kennedy YOUTH GROUP: Pastor Jason & volunteer needed to help chaperone at Gretna Glen