# **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 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 Shirley Gehr – healing

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), Richard Stauffer (Tina's brother) The Jackson Family Robyn Meckley – healing Linda Weber - healing Terry & Margie Urban & family – housing & health Michael Herr (Steph Edward's dad) - medical tests Terry Kofroth – healing 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 - healing from neurosurgery on neck Renia Perkowski – healing after pain stim. surgery Tracy & Eddie Dean – from foot & leg surgeries Denny Armstrong – kidney failure Brent Rollins – series of strokes George (Ella Buchanan's brother) – health Jason & Julie Perkowski & their 3 foster boys Tracev – follow up reports on a tumor Deb Stauffer – healing from pneumonia Diana Valentine - bone infection in foot Kevin Bodder - healing from work accident Carol Dronke – upcoming surgery The Hackman Family after fire and death Vickie - neurological issues & GI issues Rev. Sally Ott - spinal surgery Janice (Buni's sister) healing from infection Steve Valente - healing of broken hand TJ (Buni's granddaughter) relief from stress Daryl Hawthorne – healing after foot surgery Bob Rodgers on the passing of his father, Richard Jakob Perkowski - healing from concussion **OUR PRAISES:** 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

# THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT I WILL BAISE IT Up

DEPTHS OF LOVE WORSHIP SERIES

# Welcome

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# Faith United Methodist Church



# March 3, 2024 at 10:30 AM – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Lent

**ELCOME:** For forty days, Jesus wandered the wilderness in prayer and fasting in preparation for his ministry. We gather this morning as part of our journey to follow Jesus more closely and to prepare ourselves for remembering his death and resurrection at Easter. We are so glad that you have joined us on the path. 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. Praver Request Cards from the pads can be placed in the basket on the altar. If worshiping online, please 'sign in' and add praver requests by commenting on the video.

### **GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Michelle Bame & Pastor Jason

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Jason & God's People

Lenten travelers, why are you here? We gather to do the work of worship. Lenten travelers, what happens when we gather to worship? We listen and proclaim. We sing and pray. We repent and encourage. Lenten travelers, how do we do the work of worship? We bring all that we are to be present to God and one another. Lenten travelers, what work does God do in worship? God raises us up so that we can delight in life together with God and one another. Lenten travelers, come, let us worship God together! Come, let us worship God together! Amen. Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, October 2023

Have Thine Own Way, Lord!	UMH #382
<b>Exodus 20:1-17</b> This is the Word of the Lord — <b>Thanks be to God!</b>	Tim Patschke
	Michelle Bame
<b>Psalm 19</b> This is the Word of the Lord — <b>Thanks be to God!</b>	Tim Patschke
When I Survey the Wondrous Cross	UMH #298 v. 1, 3, 4
<b>1 Corinthians 1:18-25</b> This is the Word of the Lord — <b>Thanks be to God!</b>	Tim Patschke
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Lord of the Dance	UMH #261 v. 1-3, 5
<b>John 2:13-22</b> This is the Word of the Lord — <b>Thanks be to God!</b>	Tim Patschke
I Will Raise It Up	Pastor Jason
e Lord's Table to receive God's forgiveness and grace thro	UMH #12-13 ough Communion
	Exodus 20:1-17 This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God! Psalm 19 This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God! When I Survey the Wondrous Cross 1 Corinthians 1:18-25 This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God! SPEOPLE Lord of the Dance John 2:13-22 This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God! I Will Raise It Up

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING & THE LORD'S PRAYER UMH #13-14 & #895 **RECEIVING THE BREAD AND THE CUP UMH #15** \*HYMN Come, Sinners, to the Gospel Feast **UMH #616** \*HYMN For the Bread Which You Have Broken **UMH #614 BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH Pastor Jason**

\*HYMN What Wondrous Love Is This UMH #292 v. 2 & 3

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

Pianist: Dolly Bankert AV Tech: Dennis Meck, Sr & Keagan Meck Pastor: The Rev. Jason Perkowski Ministers: 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.

YOUTH GROUP ON SUNDAYS, 5-7 PM at Faith UMC for 5th-12th graders. Each week there is 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 March 17 (3:30-7 PM).

**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: March 4 & 18.

CHATTING on Mondays at 6:30 PM: This member-led, discussion group meets online at: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86190453518?pwd=cEVDeDljeThaaWVIYjIOWmZjTm5oUT09.

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

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: March 21 at 5:30 PM (3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays). These sessions are by Zoom only at: https://us02web.zoom.us/i/82735304374?pwd=eDBSZHRCZVphSnh2TENDZ0xrdG0vOT09. To learn more. contact Renee Norman. To be a part of the team working on Criminal Justice & Bail Reform, join 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 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.

SEND A CARD TO HOMEBOUND PEOPLE: There are cards in a basket in the hall and complete sets of labels in small bags pinned to the bulletin board. Add a note and drop it in the mail to spread some joy to those who cannot get to church. If you know of someone to add to our list, see Buni.

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 readymade sandwich. You can support our ministries while getting a discount on your sandwich! See Carol.

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

\*Doxology

**BREAKFAST WITH THE EASTER BUNNY AND EGG HUNT!** We are celebrating Spring and the good news that Christ has risen! Come and join in the celebrations on **Saturday, March 16<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 to 10:30 AM** with Egg Hunts at 8:30, 9:30 & 10:30 AM. We will be serving a hot breakfast to enjoy in our dining room or for take-out. Breakfast will include pancakes and sausage with various toppings. Gluten free option available! Cost is by donation. The Easter Bunny will be available for photos. Volunteer signup sheets are in the hall or contact the office. Please donate plastic eggs and stickers or individually wrapped candy to fill them by March 9th. NO small toys. If you would like to help fill eggs you may take some home or work at the church. Call ahead to make sure we have supplies ready for you.

**DRAMATIC READINGS FOR GOOD FRIDAY** @ **7PM:** If you are interested in doing a dramatic performance on Good Friday portraying one of the people who experienced Jesus in his last days, please contact Pastor Jason, ASAP. You will be given a script to prepare for the evening service on March 29.

**CHURCH WORLD SERVICES has asked us to help sponsor a family** of nine arriving from the Republic of the Congo on March 12<sup>th</sup>. They need help transporting people and luggage from the Lancaster Airport to the Rodeway Inn on the Lititz Pike. They will also need groceries to get them started. There is a signup sheet in the hall to provide food items. Please contact Diana if you are willing to provide transportation or have other questions.

**THE LANCASTER FAMILY YMCA 69<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL GOOD FRIDAY BREAKFAST** will be held Friday, March 29 at The Farm and Home Center, 1383 Arcadia Road, Lancaster, PA @ 7:30 AM. Doors open at 7 AM. The speaker will be The Rev. Jennifer Mattson from Saint Thomas Episcopal Church in Lancaster, PA, along with live music and a buffet-style breakfast. Tickets are \$20 per person and are required. They may be purchased online at <u>Registration Options (donorperfect.net)</u>. *Tickets are NOT available at the door*.

**COLLECTING ITEMS FOR YARD SALE**: While you are doing that spring cleaning, please keep in mind we can always use donations for the Youth Group tables at the yard sale held here at Faith on May 26. There is an area in the room across from the Youth Room for your yard sale donations. We do not take clothing. You can donate books as well in the library room. Thank you.

**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 you sing, play an instrument, and make a joyful noise to the Lord? If so, please **join the Faith Singers every Wednesday at 6:00 PM** to learn and rehearse the worship music. 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, 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 Mar 17)
1st Sundays	Communion offered during worship service, followed by refreshments
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
	Worship Team Practice, 6:30 PM - RETURNING TO ORIGINAL TIME
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
<b>UPCOMING EVENTS:</b>	
Monday, Mar 4	GriefShare Group - Every other Monday from 5:00 to 6:00 PM
	Chatting Club via Zoom, 6:30 PM
Wednesday, Mar 6	Ladies' Lunch at Oregon Dairy, 11:30 AM – RSVP to Sandy Patschke
Thursday, Mar 14	Finance Team meeting, 6:00 PM
Saturday, Mar 16	Breakfast with the Easter Bunny 8:00 to 10:30 AM
	with Egg Hunts at 8:30, 9:30 & 10:30
Wednesday, Mar 21	Senior Men's Lunch, 11:30 AM
	Church & Society meeting via Zoom, 5:30 PM
Thursday, Mar 28	Maundy Thursday Service at Salem UMC: Rothsville, 7:00 PM
Friday, Mar 29	Good Friday Service at Long Memorial UMC: Neffsville, Noon
	Good Friday Service at Faith UMC, 7:00 PM
Sunday, Mar 31	Easter Sunrise Service at Oregon Community, 6:30 AM
Sunday, Mar 31	Easter Services at Oregon Community at 9:00 AM & Faith at 10:30 AM

WORSHIP LEADERS for next Sunday, March 10 are: GREETERS/ USHERS: Alan Strait & Sydney Dohring LITURGIST: Daryl Hawthorne CHILDREN'S TIME: Michelle Bame JUNIOR CHURCH: Lisa Baker & Carol Kennedy YOUTH GROUP: Pastor Jason & volunteer needed