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
Ward, 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

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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

Perkowskis & their 3 foster boys and sisters

Tracey – follow up reports on a tumor Deb Stauffer – healing from pneumonia

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

Garnett Knippenberg – healing after a fall Kerry Link entered hospice care for cancer

Diana Valentine – new infection

Lori Ward – battling end stage cancer

Janet Charles – back injury

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

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



March 24, 2024 at 10:30 AM – Palm Sunday

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. 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

*HYMN

Pastor Jason & God's People

UMH #278

We come to prepare for the holiest of weeks.

We will journey through praise, with joy on our lips; we will travel through betrayal and death, cradling hope deep in our hearts.

Jesus leads us through this week, and we will follow, for he is the life we long for, he is the Word who sustains us.

We wave palm branches in anticipation; we lay our love before him, to cushion his walk.

Setting aside all power, glory, and might, he comes: modeling humility and obedience for all of us.

Hosanna! Hosanna! Blessed is the One who brings us the kingdom of God.

Written by Thom Shuman and posted on his Lectionary Liturgies blog. Re-posted on the re: Worship blog at https://re-worship.blogspot.com/2012/02/contemporary-call-to-worship-palm.html.

SCRIPTURE LESSON	Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!	Lisa Baker
CHILDREN'S TIME		Michelle Bame
*HYMN	All Glory, Laud, and Honor	UMH #280

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

SCRIPTURE LESSON Mark 11:1-11 Lisa Baker This is the Word of the Lord — **Thanks be to God!**

OUR OFFERINGS OF PA	RAYERS, PRESENCE, GIFTS, SERVICE & WITNESS	Pastor Jason
*Doxology	Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow	UMH #95
*Offertory Prayer	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	

THE PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER		UMH #895
*HYMN	Tell Me the Stories of Jesus	UMH #277

John 12:12-16 SCRIPTURE LESSON Lisa Baker

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

SERMON Blessed is the One **Pastor Jason**

BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH Pastor Jason

*HYMN Here I Am to Worship MSFPW3 #116 * 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

The altar flowers are given by Tim & Sandy Patschke in celebration of their 60th wedding anniversary.

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 1st 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. Trips to Gretna Glen will resume next Fall.

GRIEFSHARE helps people process the loss of loved ones and to find support from peers. There is a video curriculum, discussion and mutual support. We will start a new group in April with a series of 13 classes (spread across 26 weeks) using a brand-new curriculum. People are also invited to go through the program a second time. We meet every other Monday from 5-6:30 PM in the first classroom in the Education Wing at Faith UMC beginning on April 15. This is open to the church and community. Contact Pastor Jason for more info or to register.

CHATTING on Mondays at 6:30 PM: This member-led, discussion group meets online at: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86190453518?pwd=cEVDeDljeThaaWVlYjlOWmZjTm5oUT09.

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: April 18 at 5:30 PM (3rd Thursdays). These sessions are by Zoom only at: https://us02web.zoom.us/i/82735304374?pwd=eDBSZHRCZVphSnh2TENDZ0xrdG0vOT09. To learn more. contact Renee Norman. The Criminal Justice & Bail Reform Team, meets 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.

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

COLLECTING ITEMS FOR YARD SALE: We can always use donations for the Youth Group tables at the yard sale held here at Faith on May 25. You can place items in the room across from the Youth Room. We do not take clothing. You can donate books as well in the library room. Thank you.

NEIGHBORHOOD YARD SALE: Join us and our neighbors from Wetherburn North for a neighborhood yard sale on May 25 from 7am – 1pm. Space rentals at Faith UMC are available for \$20. Beginning April 1st you may make a reservation for a space by calling 717-696-5321 or visiting www.FaithUMC.us for a link to sign up.

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, post-it notes, highlighters, crackers, granola bars, microwave popcorn, hot chocolate mix, etc. **by April 14.** We will be assembling the care packages on April 21st.

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!

We need each person in the congregation to prayerfully consider how you can contribute to our ministries. *Giving in the first two months has NOT met the average giving needed for the year.* While this sometimes happens—with larger gifts coming later in the year, we need to maintain a regular offering of about \$4,000 per week toward the regular budget and the debt reduction combined.

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 https://secure.myvanco.com/L-Z37Q/home. 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.

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.



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 information or visit each camp's website.Families with campers in need of financial support should contact the church office.

MEDICINE BOTTLE COLLECTION: We send prescription pill bottles to clinics in poor countries. *Please remove all labels and sticky residue.* A basket is 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*.

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.

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

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. Our next meal will be served on April 8. Contact Carol Kennedy if you are interested in participating in this ministry.

REGISTRATION IS OPEN FOR THE 2024 EPA ANNUAL CONFERENCE, May 21-23, at Wildwoods Convention Center. To see the agenda, hotel options and other information, visit the <u>AC2024 webpage</u>, which will be updated as more information becomes available. Also, volunteers are needed for the 2024 Annual Conference. Please complete and submit the form provided to serve as an usher, minute taker or tellers. See descriptions on the <u>Volunteers Needed</u> webpage. Church delegates and equalizing lay delegates should sign up ASAP. If you are interested in being an equalizing lay delegate please contact Pastor Jason or District Superintendent Freymoyer.

COMMUNITY YARD SALE & CHICKEN BBQ on May 11 from 8AM-1PM at OCUMC.

OREGON COMMUNITY UMC 150th ANNIVERSARY COMMUNITY CELEBRATION on June 15 from 4-6PM ending with a 6PM Worship Service and Dessert Reception. There will be games and activities for kids and families, food, and a worship service to celebrate 150 years of service in the community.

HOLY WEEK SERVICES ARE LISTED BELOW—Please email <u>FaithUMC@hotmail.com</u> or Pastor Larry Kipp (<u>lkipp19@aol.com</u>) to let us know if you are coming to Maundy Thursday so we can plan for food.

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 SundaysCommunion 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, 6:00 PM - **NEW 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

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Thursday, Mar 28 Maundy Thursday Service at Salem UMC: Rothsville, 6:30 PM RSVP Needed

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

Easter Services at Oregon Community at 9:00 AM & Faith at 10:30 AM

Monday, Apr 1 GriefShare Group - Every other Monday from 5:00 to 6:00 PM

Chatting Club via Zoom, 6:30 PM

Wednesday, Apr 3 Ladies' Lunch at Oregon Dairy, 11:30 AM – RSVP to Sandy Patschke

Thursday, Apr 4 Church Council meeting, 6:00 PM

Monday, Apr 8 Faith UMC provides Grab 'N Go Meal at Zion Church, 9:00 AM prep

Thursday, Apr 11 Finance Team meeting, 6:00 PM

Tuesday, Apr 23 Soup and Sandwich Sale, 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM and 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM

Saturday, May 25 Neighborhood Yard Sale, 7:00 AM to 1:00 PM – Reserve a space beginning April 1

WORSHIP LEADERS for next Sunday, March 31 are:

GREETERS/USHERS: Jim & Buni Harbison

LITURGIST: Terry Kofroth

CHILDREN'S TIME: Pastor Jason

NO JUNIOR CHURCH: Enjoy the service! NO YOUTH GROUP: Happy Easter!