Faith & Oregon Community United Methodist Churches

January 10, 2021 at 10:30AM – Baptism of the Lord

ELCOME FRIENDS: We gather together to worship God: The Father, The Son, & The Holy Spirit. We celebrate that The Holy Spirit and the Word of God came upon the Waters of Creation, upon Jesus in his Baptism, and upon all of us as well! You are welcome in this space no matter who you are; from where you have come; or what experiences, struggles, questions or gifts you bring. We are so glad you are here!

GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Jason

Please 'sign in' by liking or commenting on the video or sending an email to JBPerkowski@gmail.com. Let us know who watched the video with you and send in any prayer requests that we can lift up.

A TIME FOR CENTERING & PRAYER

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Jason & God's People

Lost . . . wandering without purpose, meaning, value, acceptance, or place.

We wander lost. But the Spirit of God descends like a dove upon us. We hear the ancient words that name and claim us as children of God.

We are cleansed, refreshed, and made new in the love of those words.

Water. Refreshing, cleansing, nourishing, life-giving . . .

Water. Dangerous, life-threatening, powerful . . .

The waters rush over us in our baptism.

And we are filled with the Holy Spirit. Alleluia!

By Bryan Schneider-Thomas, *Ministry Matters https://www.ministrymatters.com/all/entry/2213/worship-elements-january-7-2018*

HYMN Sweet, Sweet Spirit UMH #334

SCRIPTURE LESSON Genesis 1:1-5 Michelle Bame

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

CHILDREN'S TIME Pastor Jason

HYMN This Is My Father's World UMH #144

SCRIPTURE LESSON Psalm 29 Michelle Bame

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

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

HYMN Spirit Song UMH #347

SCRIPTURE LESSON Mark 1:4-11 Michelle Bame

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

HYMN O Spirit of the Living God UMH #539

SCRIPTURE LESSON Acts 19:1-7 Michelle Bame

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

SERMON Water and Spirit Pastor Jason

HYMN Wonderful Words of Life UMH #600

OCUMC Pianist: Jody Wiker & Cellist, Guitar and Vocals: Anthony Wiker

Faith Worship Team Director: Phil Buchanan;

Faith Instrumentalists: Liz Hornberger & Dolly Bankert Haar

Audio / Visual Technology: Bryan Nelson

Pastor: The Rev. Jason Perkowski **Ministers:** The People of God

Explore OregonCommunityUMC.US & FaithUMC.US for more info about our churches.

WORSHIP SERVICES ARE BROADCAST at FM 89.9 each Sunday at 10:30AM as well as on Facebook Live through the churches' and Pastor's Facebook pages & church websites.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

COMMUNION: We will offer a no-contact Communion Service in the Faith UMC parking lot **at 1pm on every First Sunday at 1pm including February 7.** We will likely broadcast from inside the welcome center—so please park on that end of the building. You will need to *bring your own bread and juice* which will be collectively blessed by Pastor Jason during the service. You will also need to stay in your vehicles with windows closed to keep one another safe. **We will broadcast the service on FM 89.9.**

JR CHURCH AT 9:30 AM EACH SUNDAY: Kids up to 4th Grade may join us *via Zoom* with Julie Hassara. We are emailing activity pages *and the password*. If interested, email faithumc@hotmail.com.

YOUTH GROUP AT 5 PM EACH SUNDAY: You can attend in person or by Zoom. The link & password are sent by text message. On 3rd Sundays (inc. *Jan 17*) youth go to Gretna Glen Camp leaving Faith UMC at 1:30PM & back by 5PM. Wear a mask and dress warmly. *NO MEETING TONIGHT*.

BIBLE STUDY led by Amy Boughter on Wednesdays at 6 PM in the Welcome Center at Faith. Masks & distancing are required. All are invited!

FRIDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY BY ZOOM AT 10 AM: We discuss the scriptures from the Common Lectionary. Join us: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83172825482.

YOU ARE REQUIRED TO WEAR A MASK AND TO PHYSICALLY DISTANCE (AT 6 FEET APART) while you are in our building, even if just stopping in for a minute. Let's keep everyone safe.

2021 OFFERING ENVELOPES ARE AVAILABLE. Please stop by the church at your convenience to pick them up in your mailbox. Call first to make sure someone is in the office. Let us know if you would like us to leave your envelopes in the drop-off box outside. We can also deliver or mail them if necessary.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

CHATTING CLUB: MONDAYS AT 7 PM BY ZOOM for an open fun conversation. Join us: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86190453518. This Week's Topic: 'Zoomed Out' on Virtual Worship (School, Socializing...) -- We will discuss what we are missing and consider how we can thrive as congregations during this time. Check out ChattingAtTheGeneralSutter.US for more info.

OFFERING TITHES & GIFTS TO THE LORD: You can direct gifts to the churches in four areas: General Ministry, Debt Reduction/Building Fund, the Benevolence Funds or the Community Care Ministry (which is sent to three local food ministries). Mark your preference clearly in the memo. You can mail a check to Faith UMC, 1290 Fruitville Pike, Lititz PA 17543 or Oregon Community UMC, 1214 Creek Rd, Lititz, PA 17543 or donate digitally through the churches' websites. Please submit pledge cards now so that we can adjust the budget if needed. 2021 offering envelopes are available.

SECRET SISTERS 2021: Thank you to Amy Boughter & Judy Hurst for leading the Secret Sister program again this year. If you are interested in participating, please submit the paper form to the office or email it to thamno@live.com and faithumc@hotmail.com. Please have responses back by January 15th.

DOWNTOWN FOOD MINISTRY: We are developing a new ministry of providing food as well as blankets, scarves, gloves, toiletries, etc. for people who are homeless. We are doing this on the Saturday afternoons before our Sunday Communion Services. If you'd like to help on February 6th please contact Diana Valentine at 717-435-8577. We need people to help cook, prepare donations, deliver food, pray, etc.

WISH LIST FOR OUR DOWNTOWN MINISTRY: travel-sized hand sanitizers, large bags of cough drops, feminine hygiene products, and fabric for masks. Donations may be placed in the green "drop-off box" on the bench by the front door.

SPECIAL NEEDS: If someone has needs the church can support, please contact Pastor Jason. You can also dial 2-1-1 or visit www.211.org to reach the United Way Call Center who can direct you to social service organizations. You can also reach the Crisis Intervention Lifeline: 717-394-2631

UMC CAMPS are struggling due to COVID. Donations can be made to: Treasurer's Office, Eastern PA Conference, P.O. Box 820, Valley Forge, PA 19482 with Camp & Retreats in the memo, or https://www.epaumc.org/administration/finance/giving/ or by texting CAMP to 610-463-0244

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: We are looking for a few folks to serve on various teams and committees. First, if you have a passion that you would like to pursue, please contact Pastor Jason and he can help you find a way to foster that new ministry or to find a place to plug into existing ones. If you are currently serving on a committee and need to be removed please let us know. We could especially use volunteers to help with cleaning the building.

SUPPORT FAITH UMC WHILE YOU SHOP: For eligible purchases at AmazonSmile, the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price to the customer's selected charitable organization. This link https://smile.amazon.com/ch/23-2403028 will take you directly to smile.amazon.com in support of Manheim Township Faith United Methodist Church.

PASTOR JASON & CAROL OFFICE HOURS: We are sometimes telecommuting. Contact us directly. Pastor Jason: (717)333-9238 / jbperkowski@gmail.com. Office: (717)560-0321 / faithumc@hotmail.com

PRAYER REOUESTS:

OUR CONCERNS:

The UMC and delegates to 2021 General Conference as we seek God's will regarding human sexuality & our mission to make disciples of Jesus Christ

President Donald Trump & VP Michael Pence

President Elect Joe Biden and VP Elect Kamala Harris Peaceful transitions including military deploying to DC All government & military officials and their staff from

the US & other nations: wisdom & safety

Veterans and Service Members

Civilians, leaders, and soldiers in war torn regions Victims of "religious," white supremacist and racist

For peace & wisdom in areas of conflict

Police officers and their families

Individuals & families harmed in interactions with police First responders, emergency personnel, and medical staff

For an end to violence—including gun violence,

domestic violence, terrorism, & weapons of mass destruction

Victims & families involved in violent crime, sexual abuse and harassment

Abusers and their families

Healing & peace for divisions caused by race, class, gender, sexuality, politics & fears

All affected by natural disasters

Refugees & huddled masses yearning to be free

People who are hungry and homeless

Security and immigration reform

Prisoners & Prison Leadership

Schools & Education Reform

Members of AA, NA, & AlAnon

Those struggling with addictions, finances, etc.

Those suffering from depression & mental health issues

All those caring for sick loved ones

Those grieving the loss of loved ones

Wisdom around natural resources and the environment

Eradication of deadly diseases—including COVID-19

Bishop Johnson, the EPAUMC Staff, and District

Superintendent BK Chung and appointments

Coleman Memorial Chapel & Rev. Beverly Andrews

Rev. Dorcas, her UMC ministries in Sierra Leone, and her husband Daniel's health

Udobo School in Durban, South Africa

Campus Ministry: Ed Weber at Millersville; Rev. David

Piltz & Rev. Diana Esposito at Drexel & West Chester; Rev. Dr. Mel Sensenig & Rev. Ibrahim

Bangura at Albright; & Lebanon Valley

Becky, Angela and Maria Rodriguez - custody Becky Rodriguez – kidney failure & dialysis

Phil Buchanan – strength & healing in legs/back

Harry & Ella Buchanan – strength & healing

Norm Whiteley (Ella's brother) – health

Charlotte Garfield

Dottie Sheaffer – healing for back

Eileen Williams – healing after a fall & for muscles Shelda's granddaughter Bella's health

Bradley McGowan - ALS

Linda Philbin – motor neuropathy & strength

Donna Parmer – ongoing medical conditions

Those with cancer: Brian Rhodes, Cyndi Campbell, Dean Grove, Mark Reitzel, Pat Shenk, Kerry

Link, Joe, John Rathvon, Glen (friend of

Harbisons), Duane Lehman, & Amy Boughter Rosemary (Marilyn Jones' sister) – healing

Noah Boughter – wisdom, safety and recovery

Annette McClarigan & family

Carl Jones – strength & healing and health of siblings

Heather Lindsey

Michelle Rathvon Mitterer – healing from strokes

Chuck Flory – ALS

Darlene Brown – Abdominal surgery

John - Cardiac Issues

Laurie – Recovery from surgery

Lorraine Jones - arthritis

Kathleen Shifflet – rheumatoid arthritis

Neighbors of Shifflets

Bob Jolly's parents

Katie & Dustin Oakes in Japan

Clarita – kidney issues

All Impacted by COVID-19 - incl. Quinn, Leon

Bame's mother, Laurel Meck, Harry (Smith's

son-in-law), Ruthie, Deanna

Parents & Healthy Marriages

Mike Loechner – heart problems

Wagaman/Schroeder family after a house fire

Sebastian—recovery

Jason Hurst- grandson of Judy Hurst

Sandy Patschke – healing after back surgery

Sherry Guard

Buni Harbison's father – ongoing need for healing

Margie Urban's infection & heart surgery recovery

Jackie Black – continued healing

Don Klos – ongoing healing and strengthening

Erek Perkowski and his son Shaughn – custody

Ray – recovering from Strokes

Smith's nephew Mark with leukemia

Janet – nodules in lungs

Wendy Schroeder-healing after a fall

Steven Valente - healing after a fall

Don Campbell – healing after a fall

Linda Eckman – healing & testing

Families of those who passed away: Laura S.; Ted Shenk (Mary's bro-in-law); and Ben Nordmark

(Allison's Bricker's father)

OUR PRAISES:

God's presence through illness and struggle

COVID-19 Vaccines and Treatments