

# Faith & Oregon Community United Methodist Churches



February 14, 2021 at 10:30AM – Transfiguration Sunday

**W**ELCOME FRIENDS: We gather together to worship God: The Father, The Son, & The Holy Spirit. You are welcome in this space no matter who you are; from where you have come; or what experiences, struggles, questions or talents you bring. We are so glad you are here and hope that you find what you came seeking!

## GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Jason

Please 'sign in' by liking or commenting on the video or sending an email to [JBPerkowski@gmail.com](mailto: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

We have seen the light of God;  
**on high mountains of celebration and in the ecstasy of a lover's embrace.**  
We have seen the light of God;  
**through the bitter scorn of betrayal and the searing chasm of grief.**  
We have seen the light of God;  
**with eyes that have been shaded,  
with eyes that have been opened,  
with eyes that have been blinded.**  
We have seen the light of God.

(Katherine Hawker, 1997

<https://re-worship.blogspot.com/2012/01/call-to-worship-transfiguration-sunday.html>  
and reposted on [UMCDiscipleship.org](http://UMCDiscipleship.org))

### HYMN

*Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty*

UMH #64

### SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalm 50:1-6

Charles Valentine

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

## TITHES AND OFFERINGS OF PRAYERS, PRESENCE, GIFTS, SERVICE & WITNESS

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

UMH #895

### HYMN

*Swing Low, Sweet Chariot*

UMH #703

### SCRIPTURE LESSON

2 Kings 2:1-15

Charles Valentine

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

### CHILDREN'S TIME

Pastor Jason

### SCRIPTURE LESSON

2 Corinthians 4:3-6

Charles Valentine

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

### HYMN

*Open My Eyes, That I May See*

UMH #454

### SCRIPTURE LESSON

Mark 9:2-9

Charles Valentine

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

### SERMON

*Thin Spaces & Potent Places*

Pastor Jason

### HYMN

*Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus*

UMH #349

### BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH

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

Faith Worship Team Director: Phil Buchanan Faith Instrumentalists: Liz Hornberger & Dolly Bankert

Audio / Visual Technology: Bryan Nelson

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

Explore [OregonCommunityUMC.US](http://OregonCommunityUMC.US) & [FaithUMC.US](http://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:

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

**NEW: FELLOWSHIP TIME BY ZOOM EACH SUNDAY, 11:45 AM - 12:15 PM** after worship  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88148879997?pwd=ZnBzeDRPMmpBTIBUb1VwaGRWZko4dz09>

**COMMUNION:** We will offer a no-contact Communion Service in the Faith UMC parking lot **at 1pm on every First Sunday at 1pm, including today (postponed from last week)**. We will broadcast from inside in the Welcome Center—so please park on that end of the building. *Bring your own bread and juice*. We will also need to stay in vehicles with windows closed to keep one another safe. **We will broadcast the service on FM 89.9.**

**YOUTH GROUP, SUNDAYS, 5-7 PM** (in person or by Zoom w/link sent by text message). **On 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays (Feb 21) youth go to Gretna Glen**, leaving Faith UMC at 1:30PM & back by 5PM. Wear a mask & dress warmly. RSVP & permission slips required. **RSVP by Sunday, Feb 14 regarding Gretna Glen!**

**BIBLE STUDY** led by Amy Boughter on Wednesdays at 6:30 PM in Faith UMC Welcome Center. Masks & distancing are required. **NO meeting this week - Resumes Feb 24. Join us for Ash Wed.**

**BIBLE STUDY** led by Mike Shifflet on Wednesdays at 6:30 PM at Oregon Community UMC. Masks & distancing are required. **NO meeting this week - Resumes Feb 24. Join us for Ash Wednesday**

**FRIDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY BY ZOOM AT 10 AM:** We discuss the scriptures from the [Common Lectionary](http://CommonLectionary.org). Join us: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83172825482>.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE, FEB. 17, 7:00-7:45 PM (Via Facebook Live)** Join Pastors Larry Kipp and Jason for a joint worship service broadcast online via Facebook Live from Faith UMC on behalf of Emmanuel, Faith, Oregon Community, and Salem UMCs. It will also be broadcast on FM 89.9. and you may listen from the parking lot. You can pick up ashes to place on your forehead from Pastor Larry or from the bins on the porch in the front of Faith UMC beginning on Friday evening.

**MONTHLY MEN'S GROUP WILL MEET ONLINE VIA ZOOM at 11:30 AM on Thursday, February 18<sup>th</sup>** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86772223613>

**TOOLS FOR MINISTRY: Sat., March 13, 2021 from 8:30 am to 12:30pm via Zoom. Cost: \$5.** All church members should consider attending to grow in your discipleship and ministry skills. [Click here for the full brochure with workshop descriptions.](#) or [register online now!](#) Tech help available via Faith UMC.

**EMBRACE HOSTS A MEETING WITH MARK FELDMER AUTHOR OF A HOUSE DIVIDED ON FEB. 23 at 7:00 pm.** He is the pastor of St. Andrew UMC, Highlands Ranch, Colorado. The book explores 8 of the most divisive issues of our day, including homosexuality. Drawing on his experience pastoring a large, politically-diverse congregation, Rev. Feldmeir offers a biblically-grounded approach to engaging and responding to today's most divisive political issues. He encourages us to practice a politics of compassion. See the Faith-a-Gram for details & a video. Email [jashearer120@gmail.com](mailto:jashearer120@gmail.com) to register.

**FREE CHRISTIAN CONCERTS ON DEMAND: Click on [www.jerryrileypromotions.com](http://www.jerryrileypromotions.com),** go to events, then concerts on demand & conversations with the band. Three concerts currently available: The Kingsmen Quartet, Riley Harrison Clark, & Sound Street.

**CHATTING CLUB: MONDAYS AT 7 PM BY ZOOM at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86190453518>.** **This Week's Topic:** *468 Stars in the Milky Way are a "Family"*. Join in our discussion as we look at how the discoveries of a family of stars and four exoplanets can challenge us to think about how the various parts of God's creation are related. We will also discuss how our own human families fit into God's design.

**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.**

**DOWNTOWN FOOD MINISTRY:** We are now providing meals, blankets, scarves, gloves, toiletries, etc. for people who are homeless on the Saturday afternoon before our Sunday Communion Services. If you'd like to help on **March 6<sup>th</sup> at 2pm** contact Diana Valentine at 717-435-8577. We need people to help cook, prepare donations, deliver food, pray, etc. **UPDATED WISH LIST FOR OUR DOWNTOWN MINISTRY:** Fabric for masks, feminine hygiene products (small packs of panty liners or larger packs of individually wrapped panty liners, disposal bags, hygiene wipes), white athletic socks, large bags of individually wrapped cough drops, individually packaged tooth brushes, travel sized tooth paste, and 2-ounce hand sanitizers. **Use this link for our AMAZON WISH LIST:** [https://smile.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/dl/invite/5zDLQnj?ref\\_=wl\\_share](https://smile.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/dl/invite/5zDLQnj?ref_=wl_share)  
**If you shop on AmazonSmile and select *Manheim Township Faith United Methodist Church* as your charitable organization,** they'll get a percentage of your purchase with no additional cost to you.

**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](http://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**

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

## PRAYER REQUESTS:

### 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 Joe Biden and VP Kamala Harris  
Peace & safety during transitions  
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 violence  
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  
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: 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  
Marilyn Jones – healing & joint pain  
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) McDuffie – rheumatoid arthritis  
Healthy pregnancy for Mark and Christi Shifflet  
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 Brivchik, Ken, the Day family, Buni's extended family, Michelle Bame's extended family, Shelda's family (Bella, Stefan, Gretchen, Randy) Eileen Williams, Debbie Meck, Amy Boughter, Dennis Meck Sr.'s mom, Valentines & Millers. Marcia Eisenhower's Dad  
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 of heels after a fall  
Don Campbell – healing of foot after a fall  
Linda Eckman – healing & testing  
Families of those who passed away: Laura S.; Ted Shenk (Mary's bro-in-law); Ben Nordmark (Allison Bricker's father); Deanna Brivchik's sister; & Brian Rhodes  
Mike & Brenda Hardwig – healing  
Glenn Slater  
**OUR PRAISES:**  
God's presence through illness and struggle  
Bob & Mary Shenk's 47th wedding anniversary