#### **PRAYER REQUESTS:**

#### **OUR CONCERNS:**

The UMC and delegates to the 2021/2022 General Conference as we seek God's will regarding human sexuality & our mission to make disciples of Jesus

President Joe Biden and VP Kamala Harris

Wisdom & safety for all government officials and their stafffrom the US & other nations

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 DS 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

Norm Whiteley (Ella's brother) – health

Charlotte Garfield

Dottie Sheaffer - healing for back

Eileen Williams - muscles, healing, & new home

Shelda's granddaughter Bella's health

Bradlev McGowan - ALS

Linda Philbin – motor neuropathy

Donna Parmer – ongoing medical conditions

Noah Boughter - wisdom, safety and recovery

Annette McClarigan & family

Those with cancer: Cyndi Campbell, Dean Grove, Mark Reitzel, Pat Shenk, Kerry Link, Joe, John Rathvon, Glen (friend of Harbisons), Duane Lehman, Bob (Valente family), Priscilla Rice, Allan Dutton (wife Jane is a Deacon at Grandview), Smith's nephew Mark with leukemia

Janet – nodules in lungs

Carl Jones – strength & healing and health of siblings

Frank (Marilyn Jones's brother) -back surgery

Rosemary (Marilyn Jones' sister) – healing

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 McDuffie-rheumatoid arthritis & hip pain

Healthy pregnancy for Christi and Mark Shifflet

Mike Shifflet's mom—physical therapy

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, Ruthie, Deanna Brivchik, Ken, Dennis Meck

Sr.'s mom, Marcia Eisenhour's Dad

Jason Hurst- grandson of Judy Hurst

Sandy Patschke – healing after back surgery

Sherry Guard

Alan Price – Buni's father recovering from a fall

Jenkins Family (Buni's granddaughter)—house fire and son Lincoln broken collarbone

Jackie Black – continued healing

Don Klos – ongoing healing and strengthening

Erek Perkowski and his son Shaughn – custody

Ray – recovering from Strokes

Mike & Brenda Hardwig - healing

Glenn Slater

Grandview Church as newly independent church

Margie & Terry Urban's granddaughter Analise

Annette McClarigan – heart and shoulder problems

The Pond family

Lisa & Patrick McGovern

Brenda and Dave Loechner—health

Mike Loechner—housing

Don Campbell – healing after surgery

Pat Dietz – healing from a fall

Diana Valentine – rotator cuff injury

#### **OUR PRAISES:**

Church beginning to reopen for worship in person God's presence through illness and struggle Healings from COVID-19 & vaccinations



# Listen to My Voice



Welcome

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## Faith & Oregon Community United Methodist Churches

#### April 25, 2021 at 10:30AM - 4th Sunday of Easter

ELCOME FRIENDS: We have come together to worship God and to love one another. Today we remember the resurrection of Jesus, our Messiah—remembering that he chose to come and live among us, was willing to even die on the cross for us, and then rose from the dead to redeem our souls. While some of us are worshiping online and some in person, we are aware that the Holy Spirit has gathered us together across space and time. You are welcome in this sacred space no matter who you are; from where you have come; or what experiences, struggles, questions or gifts you bring. We are glad you are here and hope you find what you need in today's service. May God bless you!

#### **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. If attending in person, please register in advance through the links on the church website: FaithUMC.US or OregonCommunityUMC.US

#### A TIME FOR CENTERING & PRAYER

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Jason & God's People

We gather together to worship God, the Shepherd of our souls.

The one who has created us, who sustains us,

who redeems us, who walks beside us in good times and bad, and who calls us to follow. This is our God! Let's worship Him together!

(Worship Resources for Good Shepherd Sunday,

https://re-worship.blogspot.com/2011/05/worship-resourches-for-may-15-2011.html)

\*HYMN SCRIPTURE I ESSON

\*HYMN

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

**UMH #381** 

SCRIPTURE LESSON Psalm 23 Tim Patschke

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

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

There is a jar to receive the offering where you registered. You may also give online.

THE PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER & BLESSING OF THE PRAYER SHAWLS

**UMH #895** 

& BLESSING OF THE FRATER SHAWLS

He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought

**UMH #128** 

SCRIPTURE LESSON John 10:11-18

Tim Patschke

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

CHILDREN'S TIME Pastor Jason

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Acts 4:5-12

Tim Patschke

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

\*HYMN SCRIPTURE LESSON Precious Lord, Take My Hand
1 John 3:16-24

UMH #474 Tim Patschke

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

SERMON Listen to My Voice

**Pastor Jason** 

BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH

\*HYMN We've a Story to Tell to the Nations

**UMH #569** 

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

Vocals: Phil Buchanan

Audio / Visual Technology: Bryan Nelson

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

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES ON THE NORTH LAWN OF THE CHURCH, weather permitting. PRE-REGISTRATIONS are preferred for all persons planning to attend in person. *Links are available on our websites*. Walk-ins are welcome but must register upon arrival. There will be circles painted on the lawn that each family may sit in—with 8 feet between circles. You must wear masks the entire service. Please bring your own lawn chairs (or blankets) and dress for the weather. In case of rain, services will be *ONLINE* only. Link to register: https://forms.gle/EezjoRzcX1uC5NGn7

### WORSHIP SERVICES WILL CONTINUE TO BE 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.

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.

YOUTH GROUP, SUNDAYS, 5-7 PM (in person or by Zoom w/link sent by text message). On 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays (*May 16*) 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, May 9 about Gretna Glen.

CHATTING CLUB: MONDAYS AT 7 PM BY ZOOM at https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86190453518. This Week's Topic: Prince Philip, Patriarch of Britain's Royal Family, Remembered for Loyal Support of Queen Elizabeth II. His willingness to accept a supportive role provides us with the opportunity to explore the meaning of service in relationships, whether in marriage, in the family of God or in the community at large. For more info: www.Chattingatthegeneralsutter.us

NO BIBLE STUDY led by Amy Boughter on Wednesdays at 6:30 PM 

this group is taking a break
BIBLE STUDY led by Mike Shifflet on Wednesdays at 6:30 PM at Oregon Community UMC.

Masks & distancing are required.

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.

<sup>\*</sup> Please stand if you are able

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**GRETNA GRITTY MUD RUN:** Gretna Glen is looking forward to hosting the return of its signature Gretna Gritty Mud Run, on Saturday, May 8 beginning at 8:00 AM. Known as the "hometown hero of mud runs," it will again offer competitive and non-competitive runs for teams and individuals, plus a children's 1-mile Nitty Gritty fun run. Go to www.gretnaglen.org for more information and to register.

**UMC SUMMER CAMPS** are gearing up for an summer. To get more information and to register for camp go to www.gretnaglen.org or another camp. *Camp scholarships are available*.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE UPDATE: Members of Annual Conference MUST REGISTER at <a href="https://na.eventscloud.com/ereg/newreg.php?eventid=610768&">https://na.eventscloud.com/ereg/newreg.php?eventid=610768&</a> to attend the Eastern PA Annual Conference which will take place online from May 20-22, 2021. All former Equalizing Delegates will continue to serve until after the next General Conference. Your attendance is expected. Everyone is invited to watch the streaming of these sessions via EPAUMC.org.

**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 links on each churches' own website**.

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

**SERVANT SATURDAY:** On the first Saturday of each month, (right before Communion Sunday), we are asking everyone to make an effort to show God's love to the world around you—giving of your time, talents and treasures locally or across the world. There is info on the church website with some suggestions to get you started. May 1<sup>st</sup> is our next Servant Saturday.

DOWNTOWN FOOD MINISTRY: We are providing meals, toiletries, blankets, etc. for people who are homeless at 2pm on the first Saturday of the month. To help, contact Diana at 717-435-8577. We need people to cook, prepare donations, deliver food, etc. UPDATED WISH LIST: socks, good disposable razors (two and three blade), shaving cream packets, packs of crackers (like peanut butter or cheese crackers), granola bars, individually wrapped packs of nuts, individual boxes of raisins, water bottles. Place donations in the "drop-off box" by the front door. WISH LIST: https://smile.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/dl/invite/5zDLQnj?ref\_=wl\_share If you shop on AmazonSmile for this (or for yourself) & select Manheim Township: Faith United Methodist as your charitable organization, they'll get a percentage of your purchase (no cost to you).

IMPACT! MISSIONS is an interdenominational Christian Housing Ministry. They align homeowners in need of a warm, safe, and dry home with groups and individuals who are willing to serve to make that happen. Use your skills to help Impact! Missions restore houses for those in need. Leon Bame volunteers on the first and third Saturdays and would love to have some people from Faith & Oregon Comm. UMC join him. For more info, please contact Leon at 717-344-9924 or leonshel37@gmail.com.

**UMC CAMPS are financially struggling** due to the cancellation of 2020 summer camp, retreats, and other programs due to COVID-19. If you would like to support those camps you can make a donation at: Treasurer's Office, Eastern PA Conference, P.O. Box 820, Valley Forge, PA 19482 with *Camp and Retreat Ministries* in the memo line. Text-to-Give at 610-463-0244 (with *CAMP - Camp Retreat Ministry*) or https://www.epaumc.org/administration/finance/giving/

**BENEVOLENCE / PASTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND:** This is a separate fund that helps us meet the needs in our local congregation and community *as they arise*—separate from the three ministries listed below. We have helped people with rent, car payments, utilities, groceries, gas, etc. The recipient remains anonymous to everyone except Pastor Jason, but the particular type of usage is approved by the church treasurer and finance team.

**COMMUNITY CARE MINISTRY:** We have expanded the ways in which we are caring for our community. If you are able and would like support your neighbors during this difficult season, we will be equally splitting any gifts labeled "Community Care Ministry" between the following three ministries:

- The Lancaster City / Columbia Food Ministry and Tutoring Program distributes food to people in need through local churches and have hired Millersville University students to help tutor public school students. These programs are being partially supported by our sister churches and synagogues in Lancaster County POWER Interfaith
- Anchor Lancaster Breakfast Ministry at First UMC Lancaster distributes a bagged breakfast from 8:30-9:45AM outside their Walnut Street entrance to people who are homeless or food insecure (and previously provided a full hot in-house meal before the Corona Virus). They are feeding 100-150 people each day.
- Long Memorial UMC's Friday Night Share Food Ministry distributes boxes of food to families every Friday at 6 PM, supporting families in Manheim Township and the neighboring areas. They are located at 2660 Lititz Pike in Neffsville.

**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