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 and their families

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

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), 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, 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

Glenn Slater

Margie & Terry Urban's granddaughter Analise

Margie Urban – health

Terry Urban – healing for ribs

Annette McClarigan – heart, shoulder & family

The Pond family

Lisa & Patrick McGovern

Brenda and Dave Loechner—health

Mike Loechner—housing

Pat Dietz – healing from a fall

Diana Valentine – shoulder injury

OUR PRAISES:

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



Welcome

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Faith & Oregon Community United Methodist Churches



May 16, 2021 at 10:30AM – 7th Sunday of Easter

ELCOME: We have come together to worship God and to love one another. While some are worshiping online & some in person, we are aware that the Holy Spirit has gathered us across space & time. You're 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're here & hope you find what you need in the service. May you know the blessing of a resurrected Jesus!

GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Jason

If you're worshipping online, please 'sign in' by liking or commenting on the video—and let us know who was with you. You can also post prayer requests that we can lift up. Please register in advance for inperson worship at: FaithUMC.US or OregonCommunityUMC.US

A TIME FOR CENTERING & PRAYER

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Jason & God's People

Everliving God, your eternal Christ once dwelt on Earth, confined by time and space. Give us faith to discern in every time and place the presence among us of him who is head over all things and fills all, even Jesus Christ our ascended Lord. Amen.

(Laurence Hall Stookey, *UMH #323*)

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalm 47

Rhonda Leese

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

*HYMN

Crown Him with Many Crowns

UMH #327

SCRIPTURE LESSON

John 17:6-19

Rhonda Leese

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

CHILDREN'S TIME

Pastor Jason

*HYMN

In the Garden

UMH #314

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

There is a jar up front to receive the offering if you're in person. You may also give online or by mail.

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

UMH #895

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Acts 1:1-11

Rhonda Leese

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

*HYMN Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

UMH #302 v. 1-4

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Ephesians 1:15-23

Rhonda Leese

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

SERMON We Are Yours Pastor Jason

BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH

*HYMN Easter People, Raise Your Voices UMH #304

* Please stand if you are able

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

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 are distanced circles painted on the lawn for each family to sit in. You must wear masks the entire service. Please bring your own lawn chairs (or blankets) and dress for the weather. On the 1st Sunday of the month communion will be offered as part of the 10:30am outdoor worship service. Please bring your own bread and juice. 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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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, SUNDAYS, 5-7 PM (in person or by Zoom w/link sent by text message). **Tonight youth will go to Gretna Glen,** leaving Faith UMC at 1:30PM & back by 5PM. Wear a mask & dress for the weather. RSVP & permission slips required.

CHATTING CLUB: MONDAYS AT 7 PM BY ZOOM at

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86190453518. **This Week's Topic:** *Iconographer Creates Images to Provoke Spiritual Growth:* Artist Kelly Latimore creates sacred images to provoke growth in how we think about God and how we act out our faith. We will explore where and in whom we see the image of God today, and how we can increasingly reflect God's image in our own lives. For more info: www.Chattingatthegeneralsutter.us

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.

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH IS SEEKING A PART-TIME DIRECTOR OF WORSHIP AND MUSIC MINISTRY who desires to encourage Christian belief and action through worship. We are an active, growing, community-focused church in Lititz, PA that offers a blended service with contemporary and traditional elements. Candidates should be able to lead Sunday worship music with vocals and keyboard or guitar, select contemporary and traditional music connected to the weekly theme, and prepare volunteer musicians / vocalists to serve as a strong cohesive worship team. For more details, please visit www.FaithUMC.US

PLANS ARE UNDERWAY TO REOPEN SAFELY FOR INDOOR WORSHIP SERVICES & OTHER ACTIVITIES: We would like to assess our congregation's needs and comfort levels with various ways to re-open the building. We miss everyone and value your input. There is a survey posted on the church website where you can share your thoughts—and you may also receive a phone call to complete the survey verbally. Church Council/Trustees will continue their work planning for a safe reopening! In the meantime, we encourage you to join us for worship outside on the lawn or via online worship through Facebook and the churches' websites.

LOCAL UMC CAMPS are gearing up for a 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 https://na.eventscloud.com/ereg/newreg.php?eventid=610768& 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.

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: good disposable razors (two and three blade) & shaving cream packets. AMAZON 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).

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. June 5th is our next Servant Saturday.

IMPACT! MISSIONS is a Christian Housing Ministry that helps create warm, safe, and dry homes to be sold to lower-income families and does repairs on homes for existing homeowners without means to the do the work themselves. Impact! Missions needs volunteers who are willing to use their skills to help 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 Community UMC join him. For more info, please contact Leon at 717-344-9924 or leonshel37@gmail.com.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR SPECIAL MUSIC, SCRIPTURE READING & CHILDREN'S MESSAGES: If you are interested in performing special music, reading the scriptures, or teaching the children's message, please let Pastor Jason know at 717-333-9238 or jbperkowski@gmail.com. These are especially needed as we begin to re-open.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: In order to continue in-person services (outside and eventually back in the building) we need volunteers for the following roles: **Greeters** (to pass out bulletins, register each guest, and to take temperatures), **Audio/Visual Techs** (to help run computers and sound board), **Clean Team** (to help vacuum/mop, clean high-touch surfaces and bathrooms, restock paper towels, etc). Contact the Church Office if you are willing to be on a rotation to help.

OFFERING TITHES & GIFTS TO THE LORD: You can direct gifts to 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. Both churches could use your support—especially toward the General Ministry Budget

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. You can contribute to this fund at any time. **You can also contact Pastor Jason if you or someone you know has needs with which we can help.**

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.

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**

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