## **PRAYER REQUESTS:**

### **OUR CONCERNS:**

The UMC and General Conference Delegates 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 staff- from the US & other nations

Veterans and Service Members

Civilians, leaders, and soldiers in war torn regions including Afghanistan

For peace & wisdom in areas of conflict

Police officers and their families

Folks harmed in interactions with police

Emergency personnel & 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—including Haiti and the flooding of Hurricane Ida

Wisdom around natural resources & the environment Eradication of deadly diseases—including COVID-19

Refugees & huddled masses yearning to be free

People who are hungry and homeless

Security and immigration reform

Prisoners & Prison Leadership Schools, Education and Foster Care Reform

Members of AA, NA, & AlAnon and their families

Those struggling with addictions, finances, etc.

Those suffering depression & mental health illnesses

All those caring for sick loved ones

Those grieving the loss of loved ones

Bishop Johnson, EPAUMC Staff, and DS BK Chung Bishop John Schol as he comes to serve EPAUMC

Coleman Memorial Chapel & calling a new pastor

Rev. Dorcas, her UMC ministries in Sierra Leone and her eyes

Udobo School in Durban, South Africa South Africa regarding political protests

Germany and Europe in wake of flooding

Campus Ministry: Jacob Marino at Millersville University; Rev. Will Brawner & Rev. Diana Esposito at Drexel & West Chester; Rev. Dr. Mel Sensenig & Rev. Ibrahim Bangura at Albright; & Lebanon Valley as they seek a Campus Minister

Norm Whiteley (Ella's brother) – health

Charlotte Garfield

Dottie Sheaffer – healing for back

Eileen Williams – muscles, healing, and friendships

Shelda's granddaughter Bella's health Bradley 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, Kerry Link, Joe, John Rathvon, Glenn (friend of Harbisons), Duane Lehman, Allan Dutton (wife Jane is a Deacon at Grandview), Smith's nephew Mark with leukemia

Carl Jones – strength & healing

Rosemary (Marilyn Jones' sister) – healing

Michelle Rathvon Mitterer – healing from strokes

Chuck Flory - ALS

Darlene Brown – Abdominal surgery

John – Cardiac Issues

Clarita – kidney issues

All Impacted by COVID-19 including Warren & Lorraine Smith

Alan Price – Buni's father for health

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 – herniated disk and infections

Annette McClarigan – heart, shoulder & son Kyle's family

Diana Valentine

 $Terry\ Kofroth-back\ pain,\ fatigue,\ healing\ after\ surgery$ 

Brooke Dankenbring & family

Michael & Brenda Hardwig (Brooke's parents)

Dennis Pounds (Brooke's Uncle)

Angela & Maria Rodriguez – safety & ability to thrive

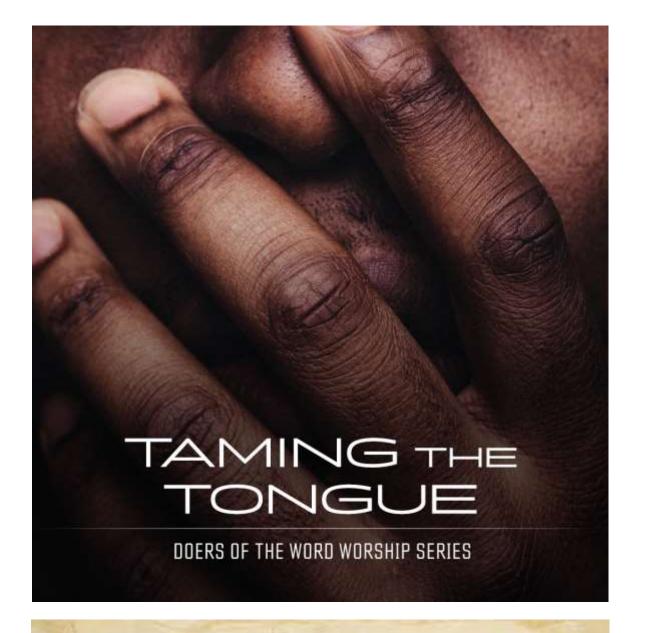
Becky Rodriguez – kidney failure, dialysis and parenting

Oaklee and Carson in Pastor Jason and Julie's care—and their parents and family

McGovern Family: esp. newborn Maddie & Mom Lisa The Valente family on the passing of brother-in-law Bob Gene Onest – health issues

#### **OUR PRAISES:**

God's presence through illness and struggle Vaccinations & healings from COVID-19 That God sent us the new Worship Director for Faith Birth of Devin Brown Jr (DJ) to Lauren Urban & Devin Brown



## Welcome

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# Faith United Methodist Church



September 12, 2021 at 10:30AM – 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

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**ELCOME:** We have been gathered together by the Holy Spirit to worship God the Father and to love one another in the fellowship with Jesus Christ. 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.

## **OUR OFFERINGS OF PRAYERS, PRESENCE, GIFTS, SERVICE & WITNESS**

There are offering plates by the doors to the sanctuary and the altar. You may also give online or by mail. Presenting our very selves as a living sacrifice is our good and pleasing act of spiritual worship (Rom. 12).

## **GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Michelle Bame

If you're worshipping online, please 'sign in' by commenting on the video & post prayer requests, too.

## A TIME FOR CENTERING & PRAYER

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Jason & God's People

We come here today not because we are clever but because God welcomes the slow learners.

We come here not because we are wise, but because God loves us in spite of our folly.

We come knowing that the greatest persons will be found among those who humbly serve like Jesus did, and that the brightest ideas and the deepest truth will come from those who see themselves as little children in Christ's school.

O Lord, open up our mind and our hearts and enable our lives to declare your praise.

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\*HYMN Joyful, We Adore Thee UMH #89

SCRIPTURE LESSON Psalm 19 Buni Harbison

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

CHILDREN'S TIME Michelle Bame

SCRIPTURE LESSON Proverbs 1:20-33 Buni Harbison

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

\*HYMN God of Grace and God of Glory UMH #577

SCRIPTURE LESSON Mark 8:27-38 Buni Harbison

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

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

\*HYMN Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty UMH #64

SCRIPTURE LESSON

#### James 3:1-12

**Buni Harbison** 

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

SERMON Taming the Tongue Pastor Jason

Sermon Series: Doers of the Word

#### **BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH**

**Pastor Jason** 

\*HYMN Open My Eyes, That I May See UMH #454

\* Please stand if you are able

Director of Worship and Music Ministry: Shannon Edwards
Audio / Visual Technology: Dennis Meck, Sr. & Bryan Nelson
Pastor: The Rev. Jason Perkowski
Ministers: The People of God

PRE-REGISTRATIONS are appreciated when attending in person. Walk-ins may register at door.

**Register at:** https://forms.gle/EezjoRzcX1uC5NGn7.

WORSHIP SERVICES ARE ALSO BROADCAST on FM 89.9, Facebook & our website.

COVID PROTOCOLS: Confirmed COVID cases in Lancaster Co. have increased from single digits/day on July 4 to 180 new cases/day. While a high percentage of our congregation is vaccinated, only 48% of the county is. This increases the odds for COVID to be brought into our church. Please wear a mask inside the building & throughout the Worship Service (especially as you enter/exit & while singing). At this time, we will NOT turn anyone away because they are not wearing a mask, but simply ask you to consider the needs of those around you who may be at high risk. This is based on clear science and recommendations from our Bishop. Families / close friends may sit together with 2 empty seats between groups & using every other row of chairs. Protocols will be adjusted as we analyze new data.

WELCOME TO OUR DIRECTOR OF WORSHIP & MUSIC MINISTRY, SHANNON EDWARDS. He will help lead a blended service with contemporary and traditional elements. Shannon is a talented pianist and vocalist with over 22 years of experience in leading worship teams and choirs, and was an accompanist on piano since he was a child. He has degrees in Music Performance and Production from Lebanon Valley College. We are excited to welcome Shannon, along with his wife and sons, to Faith UMC. Join us after the service today as we gather outside for a fellowship hour to meet & greet the Edwards family.

WORSHIP TEAM! ALL ARE INVITED TO JOIN. We are beginning to rebuild our full worship team. We need singers and instrumentalists. We will meet every Wednesday at 6:30PM. Please contact Shannon Edwards if you would like to join the team. Shannon's email address is liszt88keys@yahoo.com. Everyone with an interest in music is invited!

**CHRISTMAS CANTATA:** This will be a joint effort between Long Memorial, Faith, and OCUMC. Practices are at 7:30pm starting on Sept. 22. Contact Shannon Edwards, Worship Director, for more info.

**BIBLE STUDY** led by Mike Shifflet, Wednesdays at 6:30 PM at Oregon Community UMC studying Luke.

FRIDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY IN PERSON AT 10 AM in the room across from the office.

CHATTING CLUB: MONDAYS AT 7 PM BY ZOOM – Join us as we discuss a new topic each week. This week's theme: As U.S. Leaves Afghanistan, Veterans of the War Have Mixed Emotions. We will ponder what we can learn from times when we fail to meet our goals—personally or collectively. What might God teach us in those times. Below is the NEW LINK with embedded password:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86190453518?pwd=cEVDeDljeThaaWVIYjlQWmZjTm5oUT09

**THE SENIOR MEN'S LUNCH** on September 16 at 11.30 a.m. will be held at Lititz Family Cupboard, 12 W Newport Rd, Lititz. Those planning to attend must let Tim Patschke (717-823-2353) know by September 14 so we can give an accurate count for our reservation.

**NEW MEMBERSHIP CLASSES:** If you are interested in learning more about the United Methodist Church (and Faith/Oregon Community UMCs, specifically) and are considering becoming a member, we invite you to join a new class that is forming. Please contact Pastor Jason for info. Everyone is welcome to join us—even for a refresher.

**DRIVE-THRU CHICKEN BBQ**: We all need a break from cooking, so why not stop by and pick up a delicious BBQ chicken dinner for the family? Each dinner will include a half BBQ chicken, a side (select from several options) and a sweet treat. Cost is \$10 per meal. **Come by Faith UMC on Saturday, September 18<sup>th</sup> from 12pm to 2pm** or while supplies last. *Pre-orders are encouraged*. Call 717-560-0321 or email faithumc@hotmail.com. **We need volunteers** including people to bake cookies & brownies and to make baked beans, pasta salad & coleslaw. We will need people to set up/clean up, pre-package sides, help bag chicken, and serve as greeters and runners during the event. Contact Lisa Baker to volunteer at 717-615-6707 or email lisa.baker2294@gmail.com.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** Greeters & Ushers; Clean Team (to help with additional cleaning of the building); Children's Time Teachers; Sunday School Teachers for adults and youth; Junior Church teachers/assistants; Instrumentalists & Vocalists. Contact the Office if you are willing to be on a rotation to help (717-560-0321)

## JUNIOR CHURCH BY ZOOM VIDEO CHAT - SUNDAYS AT 9 AM

Julie Hassara is teaching the kids (3 years old-4<sup>th</sup> grade) on Sunday Mornings by Zoom. Feel free to invite a friend! We will send interested families the Zoom link. We meet at 9AM, to allow time for people travel to the church to worship in person afterwards. For now, children will stay with their parents during worship. We will kick off our new curriculum, Celebrate Wonder, today via Zoom. As part of the celebration, each child that attends Zoom Junior Church today will be mailed a coupon for a free ice cream at Son's Ice Cream Shop.

YOUTH GROUP, SUNDAYS, 5-7 PM in person at Faith UMC. RSVP if you are coming. Masks are required. Youth Group will resume meetings TONIGHT. On Sunday, September 19 the Youth will go to Gretna Glen Camp. The van will leave Faith UMC at 2:30pm and return by 6pm—or you can meet us there. Permission Slips are needed. All youth entering 5th-12<sup>th</sup> grades are invited to join us.

**HEMPFIELD COMMUNITY OUTDOOR BASH** at Hempfield COB (1186 Stevens St., Manheim) **on Sept. 25th**. Live bands, speakers, food trucks & games throughout the event. We will leave Faith UMC at Noon and return by 7pm for those coming with the youth group (adults and families are also invited to attend on their own). Permission Slips are needed for all off-campus events. *This event will be instead of Youth Group on Sunday, Sept. 26th* 

OFFERING TITHES & GIFTS TO THE LORD: You can direct gifts to three areas: General Ministry, Debt Reduction/Building Fund, and the Benevolence Funds. Mark your preference clearly in the memo. You can mail a check to Faith UMC, 1290 Fruitville Pike, Lititz PA 17543 or donate digitally through the link on the website.

**AMAZON SMILE:** When shopping, if you select *Manheim Township: Faith United Methodist* as your charitable organization, **Amazon will donate a percentage of your purchase to Faith.** 

**SPECIAL NEEDS:** If someone has need, please contact Pastor Jason. You can also dial **2-1-1 or visit www.211.org** to reach the **United Way Call Center** for social service organizations. You can also reach the **Crisis Intervention Lifeline:** (717) 394-2631

IMPACT! MISSIONS is a Christian Housing Ministry that helps restore homes to be sold to low-income families and does repairs for homeowners in need. They need volunteers. Join Leon Bame on 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays. For info, contact him: 717-344-9924 or leonshel37@gmail.com.

**SERVANT SATURDAY ON OCT 2:** On the Saturday 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. There is info on the church website with some suggestions.

**DOWNTOWN MINISTRY:** At 2pm on Servant Saturdays, we are providing meals and personal items. for people who are homeless. To help, contact Diana at 717-435-8577. We need people to cook, prepare donations, deliver food, etc. \*\*NEW\*\* WISH LIST: Summer's Eve wipes, small bottles of hand sanitizer, and Chapstick. Donations may be placed in the green "drop-off box" by the front door. Cash and grocery store gift cards are very much appreciated.

AMAZON WISH LIST: https://smile.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/dl/invite/5zDLOni?ref =wl share

**OFFICE COMMUNICATION:** Because hours vary, contact us directly. Pastor Jason: 333-9238 / jbperkowski@gmail.com. Carol in Church Office: 560-0321 / faithumc@hotmail.com

## **ONGOING EVENTS:**

Sundays Junior Church via Zoom (for ages 3 years through 4th grade), 9:00 AM

Worship, 10:30 AM in the Sanctuary, Facebook Live & FM 89.9 Youth Group in person at Faith, 5:00-7:00 PM (Resumes tonight)

**1st Sundays** Communion is offered during worship service, 10:30AM

Mondays Chatting Club via Zoom, 7:00 PM

Wednesdays Worship Team Practice, 6:30PM -- All Are Invited

Bible Study with Mike Shifflet, at Oregon Community UMC, 6:30 to 7:30 PM

**Thursdays** Wing and a Prayer AA Meeting in the Fellowship Hall, 10:00 AM

Fridays

Bible Study with Pastor Jason in the room across from the church office, 10AM

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays

Faith UMC works with IMPACT! Missions – Contact Leon Bame to help.

1st (or Last) Saturdays Servant Saturday & Downtown Food Ministry, 2PM (Sat. before Communion Sunday)

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Sunday, Sept 12 Fall Kickoff for Junior Church & Youth Group

Meet and Greet after Worship - Get to know our new Worship Director & family

**Thursday Sept 16** Men's Lunch, 11:30 AM at Lititz Family Cupboard – RSVP to Tim Patschke

Saturday, Sept 18 Chicken BBQ, 12PM – 2 PM

Sunday, Sept 19 Youth Group to Gretna Glen -- Van leaves at 2:30 and returns by 6pm from Faith UMC

Wednesday, Sept 22 Joint Christmas Cantata Rehearsals begin at Long Memorial UMC, 7:30 pm

Saturday, Sept 25 Hempfield Community Outdoor Bash at Hempfield COB, Noon-6:30 PM (All Ages)
Saturday, Oct 2 Servant Saturday / Delivering food & personal items to unhoused folks downtown, 2PM

Wednesday, Oct 6 Ladies' Lunch at Oregon Dairy, 11:30 AM – RSVP to Sandy Patschke

**Thursday, Oct 7** SPRC meeting, 6:00 pm

Saturday, Oct 30 Trunk or Treat, 5:00 to 8:00 PM

## Our worship participants for next Sunday, September 19 are as follows:

PASTOR: Jason Perkowski

DIRECTOR OF WORSHIP & MUSIC MINISTRY: Shannon Edwards

AUDIO/VISUAL TECH: Dennis Meck, Sr. & Bryan Nelson

GREETER/USHERS: Jim & Buni Harbison

LITURGIST: Volunteer needed CHILDREN'S TIME: Pastor Jason

JUNIOR CHURCH VIA ZOOM: Julie Hassara, Carol Kennedy, & Diana Valentine