## **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 Schol, 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 eyes & ministries in Sierra Leone

Udobo School in Durban, South Africa

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, foot 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 and parenting

Oaklee, Carson, Izabel & their parents

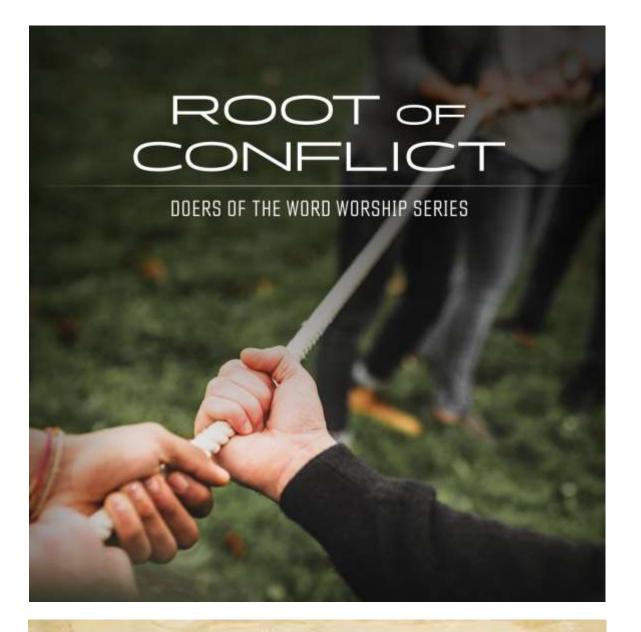
McGovern Family: esp. newborn Maddie & Mom Lisa

Gene Onest – health issues

Family & friends of Bruce Lefever on his passing Gerlitzki Family on passing of grandson Eric

#### **OUR PRAISES:**

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



# Welcome

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# Faith United Methodist Church



September 19, 2021 at 10:30AM – 17<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

Who among you is seeking the wisdom of God?

We long to hear God's Word spoken to our hearts.

Who among you is seeking God's bright and holy truth?

We long to learn the ways of wisdom and righteousness.

Who among you is seeking a Spirit-filled life?

We long to live lives of holiness and light.

God grants God's wisdom generously to all who ask. Come near, people of God!

Let us worship in wisdom and truth.

(From *Literature and Liturgy* https://re-worship.blogspot.com/2018/09/call-to-worship-james-3-4.html)

\*HYMN Blessed Assurance UMH #369

SCRIPTURE LESSON Psalm 1 Buni Harbison

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

CHILDREN'S TIME Pastor Jason

\*HYMN I Am Thine, O Lord UMH #419

SCRIPTURE LESSON Mark 9:30-37 Buni Harbison

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

**HYMN** *I Need Thee Every Hour* **UMH #397 v. 1, 3, 4, 5** 

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

**UMH #895** 

SCRIPTURE LESSON

#### James 3:13-4:10

**Buni Harbison** 

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

SERMON Root of Conflict

Sermon Series: Doers of the Word

BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH

**Pastor Jason** 

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\*HYMN Let There Be Peace on Earth UMH #431

\* 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 207 new cases/day. While a high percentage of our congregation is vaccinated, only 49% of the county is. So, 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. Families / close friends may sit together with 2 empty seats between groups & using every other row of chairs. Protocols will continually be adjusted as we analyze new data.

WELCOME TO OUR DIRECTOR OF WORSHIP & MUSIC MINISTRY, SHANNON EDWARDS. We are excited for his leadership in redeveloping our music program. He brings a great deal of experience and training and we encourage you to welcome him and his family to Faith UMC.

WORSHIP TEAM! ALL ARE INVITED TO JOIN. We need singers and instrumentalists. Rehearsals are every Wednesday at 6:30PM. Please contact Shannon 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 at Long Memorial. Contact Shannon Edwards, Worship Director, for 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:** *Struggling Under the Weight of Daily Bad News.* We will discuss how in a 24/7 news cycle of heavy and horrible things the Bible can help us, how important our attitude is, and what we really can (or cannot) control. *Below is the NEW LINK with embedded password:* 

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86190453518?pwd=cEVDeDljeThaaWVlYjlQWmZjTm5oUT09

**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. *Our classes will be Sundays, October 3, 10, and 17 at Noon in the room across from the Office.* 

HELP NEDED AFTER HURRICANE IDA - Excerpt from Bishop Schol's letter & video: Many churches and communities in our conference had extensive flooding. Thousands of people were displaced and thousands of homes had significant damage. The UMC will help people in Louisiana and our region with relief and recovery efforts. Please visit <a href="https://www.epaumc.org/news/conference-seeks-to-help-churches-recover-from-idas-storms/">https://www.epaumc.org/news/conference-seeks-to-help-churches-recover-from-idas-storms/</a> for more info. You may make donations through the Conference site or via a check payable to Faith UMC with "Hurricane Ida" in the memo. We will then forward the total amount given.

HELP US PLAN FOR 2022 BUDGET & MINISTRIES: Please submit an Estimate of Giving Pledge Card by October 1st so that we can anticipate our annual income as we develop the 2022 budget. Cards were mailed to you and are also available in the lobby Information Table. Committee Chairpersons - please submit your budget requests for expenses in your ministry area as soon as possible.

**ATTENTION COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS:** It is time to start working on Charge Conference forms. The forms for your committee are available online at 2021 Charge Conference Forms (epaumc.org) or contact the office. Forms need to be completed by the end of October so that we can approve them at the November 4<sup>th</sup> Church Council meeting. Trustees, Finance, Lay Leaders, SPRC, Nominations all have forms to complete.

**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 help.

### 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 send families the Zoom link—contact the office if interested. We meet at 9AM, to allow time to come to church for worship in person afterwards. For now, children will stay with their parents during worship.

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**. There are bands, speakers, food trucks & games. 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 General Ministry, Debt Reduction/Building Fund, & Benevolence. Mark your preference in the memo. You can mail a check or donate digitally through the website. The area of greatest need right now is the General Ministry Budget.

**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: For help, contact Pastor Jason. You can also dial 2-1-1 or visit www.211.org to reach the United Way Call Center for social services. The Crisis Intervention Lifeline is (717) 394-2631

**SERVANT SATURDAY ON OCT 2:** On the Saturday before Communion Sunday, we are asking everyone to show God's love to the world through your time, talents and treasures.

**DOWNTOWN MINISTRY:** At 2pm on Servant Saturdays, we are providing meals & personal items for people who are homeless. To help, call Diana at 717-435-8577. We need people to cook, prepare donations, deliver food, etc. **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. **WISH LIST:** https://smile.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/dl/invite/5zDLQnj?ref\_=wl\_share

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.

**OFFICE COMMUNICATION:** Hours vary, so please contact us directly. *See Bulletin Cover* 

#### **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

Joint Christmas Cantata Rehearsals at Long Memorial UMC, 7:30 PM 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.

Servant Saturday & Downtown Food Ministry, 2PM (Sat. before Communion)

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

**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

Friday, Sept 24 Nominations Team Meeting, Noon (Also October 8 and October 22)
Saturday, Sept 25 Hempfield Community Outdoor Bash at Hempfield COB, Noon-6:30 PM (All Ages)

Saturday, Oct 2 Servant Saturday / Food & personal items to unhoused folks downtown, 2PM

Sunday, Oct 3 New Membership Classes, Noon (Also October 10 and 17)

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

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

**Thursday, Oct 14** Tentative Finance Team meeting, 6:30 PM

Saturday, Oct 16 Outdoor Harvest Evening at Faith UMC, 5:30 – 7:00 PM

**Thursday, Oct 21** Men's Lunch, 11:30AM location TBD

Saturday, Oct 23 Oregon Community UMC Christmas Bazaar at Faith UMC, 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM

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

## Our worship participants for next Sunday, September 26 are as follows:

DIRECTOR OF WORSHIP & MUSIC MINISTRY: Shannon Edwards

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

GREETER/USHERS: Amy Boughter & Alex Drolet

LITURGIST: Drew Hassara

CHILDREN'S TIME: Amy Boughter

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