

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**JR CHURCH AT 9:00 AM ON SUNDAY via Zoom** for Kids 3 years old to 4<sup>th</sup> Grade. Email [faithumc@hotmail.com](mailto:faithumc@hotmail.com) to get the activity pages & *password*. *No Junior Church on Dec 26—join us again on Jan. 2 on Zoom.* We would like to resume in-person Junior Church during the 10:30am worship service beginning mid-January 2022. **PARENTS:** We would like to hear your preferences.

**YOUTH GROUP ON SUNDAYS, 5-7 PM at Faith UMC** for 5th-12<sup>th</sup> graders. Jan. 16, Feb 20 & March 20 we go to **Gretna Glen Camp**, 2:30-6PM. *NO Youth on Dec 26 or Jan 2.*

**CHATTING CLUB: MONDAYS AT 7 PM BY ZOOM – We will NOT meet again until Jan. 3.**  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86190453518?pwd=cEVDeDljeThaaWVIYjlQWmZjTm5oUT09>

**BIBLE STUDY led by Mike Shifflet on Wednesdays at 6:30 PM at Oregon Community UMC.**  
All are invited! *The group will meet again on January 5.* Enjoy the holidays.

**BIBLE STUDY: FRIDAYS at Faith UMC at 10 AM – NO class on Dec 31**

**CHRISTMAS EVE OFFERING on Friday, Dec 24.** If you make an **undesigned gift** tonight it will go to the **CHRIST HOME FOR KIDS & BLACKFEET UMC PARISH** as we do each Christmas. To help you can send a check made out to *Oregon Community UMC* with the specific ministry in the memo line. Faith UMC will give to *Udobo School* in South Africa.

**OFFERINGS:** You can direct gifts to the **General Ministry, Building, or Benevolence Funds.** Mark preferences clearly. **You can mail a check** to OCUMC or **donate online through our website.**

**SERVANT SATURDAY:** On the Saturday before Communion, we are asking everyone to show God's love by giving of your time, talents & treasures. This includes the **DOWNTOWN MINISTRY** providing meals & supplies for the homeless starting at 2pm on Jan. 1. Contact Diana at 435-8577.

**IMPACT! MISSIONS restore homes** to be sold to low-income families & does repairs for those in need. **To volunteer** on 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays, **contact Leon** at 344-9924 / [leonshel37@gmail.com](mailto:leonshel37@gmail.com).

**APARTMENTS NEEDED:** 1-bedroom apartment needed for a non-smoker with no pets at about \$800/month. Location is flexible. Call Dennis Meck at 717-413-1504 w/info. There is also a need for a 2-bedroom apartment for another family of 3. Please contact Pastor Jason with info.

**PRAYER REQUESTS:** Jolly Family on passing of Bob's father, John; Roseanne – healing from cancer; Sherry Lynn (Dean's sister); Kathy St. Clair—aneurysm (friend of Bernie); Sandy Baird's father; Lydia Erk's pregnancy; Maria, Angela & Becky Rodriguez; Izabel, Oaklee, Carson, Matthew & their parents; those with cancer; Mike Shifflet's mom and neighbors; Bob Jolly's parents; Jackie Black; Josh Zimmerman; Ereik Perkowski and his son, Shaughn; Fred Hess; Campus Ministries; Bishop John Schol & UMC Staff; Katie & Dustin Oakes. **PRAISES:** God's presence through illness and struggle; healings. **PRAYERS FOR THE WORLD:** Veterans and Service members; the UMC and theological differences; leaders; police and medical personnel; patients; victims of violence and racism; peace, wisdom and reconciliation; abused persons & abusers; all affected by disasters; refugees & immigrants; the hungry and homeless; prisoners; students, teachers and administration; those struggling with addictions and/or mental illness; seniors; the hospitalized; caregivers; those grieving the loss of loved ones; bishops, pastors and laity; our ministries; our community; & all affected by COVID-19 and other diseases.

*Welcome to*

## Oregon Community United Methodist Church



**Address:** 1214 Creek Road, Lititz, PA 17543

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**Pastor:** The Rev. Jason Perkowski  
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Mission of Oregon Community United Methodist Church:  
**“Making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation  
of our community and the world.”**

**SUNDAY WORSHIP IN THE SANCTUARY at 9:00 AM at Oregon Community UMC  
& BROADCAST at 10:30 AM from Faith UMC on FM 89.9, Facebook & church websites.**

# Oregon Community United Methodist Church

December 24, 2021 at 5:00PM – Christmas Eve

**WELCOME:** We gather together to worship God: The Father, The Son, & the Holy Spirit. We celebrate that The Holy Spirit came upon the Virgin Mary, the Word of God became flesh within her, & on this night some 2021 years ago she brought the only begotten Son, Jesus, into the world. You are welcome in this space to celebrate this miracle no matter who you are; what experiences, struggles or gifts you bring; or the questions, doubts & beliefs you carry. Together, we seek to honor & understand the gift of the Christ Child! We are so glad you are here!

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

*There are offering plates by the doors to the sanctuary. You may also give via church website or mail. If you are giving to the special Christmas offerings or sister churches, please mark that clearly.*

## GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Jason

## A TIME FOR CENTERING & PRAYER

## THE ADVENT CANDLES: CHRIST CANDLE

Joetta Henry, Sandy Baird & Dot Lange

## \*HYMN

*O Come, All Ye Faithful*

UMH #234 v. 1 & 2

## SCRIPTURE LESSON

**Psalm 96**

Bob Jolly

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

## THE PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

## SCRIPTURE LESSON

**Matthew 1:18-25**

Pastor Jason

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

## \*HYMN

*Hark! The Herald Angels Sing*

UMH #240

## CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pastor Jason

## HYMN

*It Came upon the Midnight Clear*

UMH #218 v. 1, 3, 4

## SCRIPTURE LESSON

**Luke 2:1-5**

Sandy Baird

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

## \*HYMN

*O Little Town of Bethlehem*

UMH #230

## SCRIPTURE LESSON

**Luke 2:6-7 & Isaiah 9:2-7**

Bob Jolly

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

## SPECIAL MUSIC

*Mary, Did You Know*

Pastor Jason & Jody Norton

## SCRIPTURE LESSON

**Luke 2:8-14**

Pastor Jason

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

## \*HYMN

*Angels from the Realms of Glory*

UMH #220 v. 1 & 2

## SCRIPTURE LESSON

**Luke 2:15-21**

Sandy Baird

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

## \*HYMN

*Good Christian Friends, Rejoice*

UMH #224 v. 2 & 3

## SCRIPTURE LESSON

**Titus 2:11-14**

Bob Jolly

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

## \*HYMN

*Joy to the World*

UMH #246

## SERMON

**Welcome Home**

Pastor Jason

## INVITATION TO THE COMMUNION TABLE & LORD'S PRAYER

UMH #13-15  
UMH #895

## HYMN

*There's a Song in the Air*

UMH #249

## BENEDICTION

Pastor Jason

## \*HYMN

*Silent Night, Holy Night*

UMH #239 1, 3, 4

*\* Please stand if you are able*

**Pianist:** Jody Wiker

**Bulletin:** Dot Lange

**Pastor:** The Rev. Jason Perkowski

**Ministers:** The People of God

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** To place altar flowers in honor of a loved one, contact Joetta. Cost: \$35.

**LITURGISTS:** Dec. 5 Christie Jolly; 12 Dot Lange; 19 NO SERVICE; 26 Ralph Stone

**DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS:** 7 Paula Shifflet; 19 Sharon Garner ; 27 Anabelle Frisch 27 Ralph Stone

**COVID PROTOCOLS:** Please wear a mask throughout Worship (esp. to enter/exit & sing). We will NOT turn anyone away, but simply ask you to consider the needs of those who are at high risk. Confirmed COVID cases in Lancaster Co. are averaging over **332 new cases/day and had 8 deaths on Dec 20**. Only 54% of our county is vaccinated.