

PRAYER REQUESTS:

OUR CONCERNS:

Peace in Israel, Palestine, and Ukraine
For peace & wisdom in areas of conflict
Wisdom & safety for government officials globally
President Joe Biden and VP Kamala Harris
Healthy and gentle campaigns and election process
Veterans and Service Members
Civilians, leaders, and soldiers in war torn regions
Police officers and their families
Folks harmed in interactions with police
All first responders & 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 & disease
Stewardship of our environment & climate
Refugees & huddled masses yearning to be free
Security and immigration reform
People who are hungry and unhoused
Prisoners, Prison Leadership & Judges
Education Funding, Cash Bail and Prison Reform
Schools, education and foster care reform
Members of AA, NA, & AlAnon and their families
All struggling with addictions, finances, etc.
Those suffering from mental health illnesses
All those caring for sick loved ones
Those grieving the loss of loved ones
Bishop Schol, DS Freymoyer & EPAUMC Staff
Laity and Clergy of the UMC
The UMC, Conference Delegates and Bishops
Udobo School in Durban, South Africa
Campus Ministries
Eileen Williams – muscles
Bradley McGowan – ALS
Linda Philbin – motor neuropathy & healing
Rosemary (Marilyn Jones' sister) – healing
Chuck Flory – ALS
Annette McClarigan – health, sons & family
Jean Neideigh – healing (MS)
Foster children – to be healthy & thrive
Children – to know they are not alone in struggles
Noah Boughter, Sophie and family
Heather Lindsey
Theo Wenger – healing for kidneys
Jake Ruhl – hip and shoulder pain
Shirley Gehr – healing

Those with cancer: Cyndi Campbell, Dean Grove,
Mark Reitzel, Duane Lehman, Ruthie, Martin
Campbell, Ben Neideigh, Harmony Chiccarine,
Grandma Edwards, Nat, Tina Miller, Carl Derr,
Dorcas Kamanda (in remission), Cynthia (from
NJ), Jim Royer, Adam Malik, Carol Bryner
(Allen K's sister), Joan (Nancy's sister-in-law),
Benedicta Fair (Ramonita's Aunt), Isaias
Maldonado (Ramonita's Uncle), Richard
Stauffer (Tina's brother), Missy Landis; Gail
(friend of Sandy)

Tracey – follow up reports on a tumor
The Jackson Family
Robyn Meckley – healing
Linda Weber - healing
Terry & Margie Urban & family – housing & health
Michael Herr (Steph Edward's dad) – medical tests
Rev. Dorcas's ministry in Sierra Leone
Ruthie & Gary with Dementia – friends of Amy
Brenda, Dave and Mike Loechner – health
Renia Perkowski – healing after pain stim. surgery
Tracy & Eddie Dean – from foot & leg surgeries
Denny Armstrong – kidney failure
Brent Rollins – series of strokes
Deb Stauffer – healing from pneumonia
Carol Dronke – upcoming surgery
Vickie - neurological issues & GI issues
Rev. Sally Ott - spinal surgery
Steve Valente – healing of broken hand
TJ (Buni's granddaughter) relief from stress
Daryl Hawthorne – healing after foot surgery
Terry Kofroth – healing
Janet Charles – back injury
Family & friends of Lori Ward on her passing
Tim Link and family on the passing of Kerry
Dr. Louis Marotti's Family on his passing
Pastor Tony Blair – healing after bicycle accident
Phyllis Miller – Congestive Heart Failure
Kay Newcomer – healing from Covid
Ron Lunn – healing after a fall
Jeff, brother-in-law of Michelle – pancreatitis
Diana Valentine – health concerns & infections

OUR PRAISES:

Love and support of Faith UMC Family
God's faithful love that is new every morning
God's presence through illness, struggle & loss
Beauty of nature & sunshine
*Please submit prayer needs, praises, & updates by
note or email to the office: faithumc@hotmail.com*



Welcome

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Faith United Methodist Church



April 14, 2024 at 10:30 AM – 3rd Sunday of Easter

WELCOME: Today we remember and testify to the resurrection of Jesus, God’s Son and our Messiah. He chose to come and live among us, willingly died on the cross for us, and then rose from the dead to redeem our souls. The Father has seated the Son at His Right Hand and sent the Holy Spirit to minister to us powerfully. You are welcome in this sacred space no matter who you are; from where you have come; what experiences, struggles or gifts you bring; or the questions, doubts & beliefs you carry. We are so glad that you are here!

Please sign in using the red Pew Pads. Prayer Request Cards from the pads can be placed in the basket on the altar. If worshipping online, please ‘sign in’ and add prayer requests by commenting on the video.

GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Michelle Bame & Pastor Jason

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Jason & God’s People

How shall we live when lavished with love?

“We are God’s children, but it has not been revealed what we are to become in the future.” (1 John 3:2)

Just as in our origins, our future is tied to our planet.

Creator has given us partners for mutual flourishing.

Let us worship God, who makes all things new.

Written by Rev. Paul Mitchell, Walla Walla, WA (ancestral homelands of the Cayuse, Umatilla, Palus, and Walla Walla), senior pastor of Pioneer United Methodist Church. He is an elder in full Connection in the Pacific Northwest Annual Conference and is involved in the United Methodist Creation Justice Movement.

*HYMN

He Lives

UMH #310

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalm 4

Bob Rodgers

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

CHILDREN’S TIME

Michelle Bame

*HYMN

Because He Lives

UMH #364

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Acts 3:12-19

Bob Rodgers

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

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

*Doxology

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

UMH #95

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 24:36b-48

Bob Rodgers

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

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

UMH #895

*HYMN

Nothing But the Blood

UMH #362

SCRIPTURE LESSON

1 John 3:1-7

Bob Rodgers

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SERMON

We Purify in Hope

Pastor Jason

BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH

Pastor Jason

*HYMN

Grace Greater Than Our Sin

UMH #365

* You are invited to stand in body or in Spirit

Pianist: Dolly Bankert **AV Tech:** Dennis Meck, Sr & Keagan Meck

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

OFFICE COMMUNICATION: Hours vary. Carol Kennedy, Office Admin, checks messages in the office on weekdays. Pastor Jason is with family from Noon Friday until Sunday & may not respond to non-emergencies then.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL at 9:00 AM meets in the 1st classroom in the Ed. Wing.

JUNIOR CHURCH for 3-year-olds - 4th grade during the 10:30AM Worship Service. Please sign your child in before the service & get a numbered badge. Children are dismissed to Jr. Church after the Children’s Message. After worship, pick up kids in the Education Wing, 3rd classroom on the right.

YOUTH GROUP ON SUNDAYS, 5-7 PM at Faith UMC for 5th-12th graders. Each week there is dinner, games & a lesson. Sign up to be the 2nd adult and/or provide a meal.

GRIEFSHARE helps people process the loss of loved ones and to find support from peers. There is a video curriculum, discussion and mutual support. **We will start a new group in April with a series of 13 classes (spread across 26 weeks) using a brand-new curriculum.** People are also invited to go through the program a second time. **We meet every other Monday from 5-6:30 PM in the first classroom in the Education Wing at Faith UMC beginning on April 15.** This is open to the church and community. Contact Pastor Jason for more info or to register.

CHATTING on Mondays at 6:30 PM: This member-led, discussion group meets online at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86190453518?pwd=cEVDeDljeThaaWVlYjJlQWmZjTm5oUT09>.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY at Oregon Community UMC, 6:30 PM.

FRIDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY at 10 AM in Faith UMC Fellowship Hall.

THE CHURCH & SOCIETY TEAM engages in improving our community by standing up against injustice. **Next meeting: April 18 at 5:30 PM (3rd Thursdays).** We will discuss “Building Power Together.” There are printed copies in the hall. **Join us by Zoom only at:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82735304374?pwd=eDBSZHRCZVphSnh2TENDZ0xrdG0vQT09>. To learn more, contact Renee Norman. The **Criminal Justice & Bail Reform Team**, meets online at Noon every Wednesday: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82483314676?pwd=K2ZtZGQ0LzBOelVlVXQwUk5LR2VFQ09>

IN NEED OF HELP? Contact Pastor Jason, 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 or dial 9-8-8.**

SEND A CARD TO HOMEBOUND PEOPLE: There are cards in a basket in the hall and complete sets of labels in small bags pinned to the bulletin board. Add a note and drop it in the mail to spread some joy to those who cannot get to church. If you know of someone to add to our list, see Buni.

COLLECTING ITEMS FOR YARD SALE: We can always use donations for the Youth Group tables at the yard sale held at Faith UMC on Saturday, May 25. You can place items in the room across from the Youth Room. We do not take clothing. You can donate books as well in the library classroom. Thank you.

NEIGHBORHOOD YARD SALE: Join us and our neighbors from Wetherburn North for a neighborhood yard sale on **May 25 from 7am – 1pm. Space rentals at Faith UMC are available for \$20.** You may make a reservation for a space by calling 717-696-5321 or visiting www.FaithUMC.us for a link to sign up.

CARE PACKAGES FOR MILLERSVILLE STUDENTS: We are continuing our tradition of providing boxes to support college students who are part of The HUB: Millersville University Campus Ministry while they prepare for final exams in May. It has always been very much appreciated. **If you wish to participate, please donate** shoe boxes, post-it notes, highlighters, crackers, granola bars, microwave popcorn, hot chocolate mix, etc. **by tomorrow.** We will be assembling the care packages on **April 21st at 5:00 PM. You are welcome help the youth fill and wrap the boxes.**

YOUR VOTE COUNTS: Primary Election Day is Tuesday, April 23. For general voting information visit the following websites: <https://www.vote.pa.gov>, <https://www.vote.org>, <https://www.vote411.org> **Please Vote!**

SOUP & SANDWICH SALE: On Tuesday, April 23 (Primary Voting day), we are selling soup, sandwiches, drinks and more during the lunch and dinner. Volunteers are needed for serving food and as cashiers from **10:30am-1:30pm and 3:30-6:30pm**. The following items would be appreciated for donations: small bags of chips, pretzels, popcorn, etc.; packaged desserts (brownies, cookies, etc.); bottles of water and cans of soft drinks; and a few bags of ice. Signup sheets are in the hall. Thank you for your assistance. If you have any questions, please contact Buni

THANK YOU for your faithful service to the Lord in every aspect of your lives as individuals and as a church family. May every part of your being be made holy as you dedicate it to God!

This includes the ways that you use your financial resources. We need to maintain a regular offering of about \$4,000 per week toward the regular budget and the debt reduction combined. Giving in the first three months has NOT met the average needed for the year. If you are able to give regularly toward our ministry—or to make a one-time donation—that goes a long way to sustaining the work that we do together to serve our community.

Gifts can be directed to **General Ministry and/or the Debt Reduction / Building Fund**. Mark preferences in the memo line & envelope. You can set up recurring gifts through your own financial institution or at <https://secure.myvanco.com/L-Z37Q/home>. There is a link at FaithUMC.us or via the **QR Code**. You can also **mail** or **place an offering in the plate**. Special gifts from IRAs, stocks, etc. can also be received.



SUB SALE: We have certificates from S. Clyde Weaver for \$7.00. Pick up a delicious made-to-order sub at any of their locations. You have 7+ varieties of sandwiches available on a sub roll, bread or wrap or you may pick a ready-made sandwich. You can support our ministries while getting a discount on your sandwich! See Carol.

MEDICINE BOTTLE COLLECTION: We send prescription pill bottles to clinics in poor countries. *Please remove all labels and sticky residue.* A basket is under the table as you enter the Sanctuary.

LONG MEMORIAL FREE GROCERIES for those in need every week through their Friday Night Food Ministry at 6pm. You can drive up and receive groceries to help support you through the week. *Volunteers needed.*

FAITH UMC WORSHIP TEAM: Do you sing, play an instrument, and make a joyful noise to the Lord? If so, please **join the Faith Singers every Wednesday at 6:00 PM** to learn and rehearse the worship music.

COMMUNITY MEAL: People in need may pick up a **Grab 'n Go Meal at Zion Lutheran Church in East Petersburg every Monday**. Several churches in the area support this ministry. **Faith UMC provides fifty Grab 'n Go Meals quarterly.** *Contact Carol Kennedy if you are interested in participating in this ministry.*

PRE-ANNUAL CONFERENCE INFORMATION SESSION: Wednesday, May 8 at 2 p.m. or 7 p.m. Preparations for the 2024 Annual Conference are underway. Check out the [AC2024 webpage](#) to see the agenda and information about registration, hotels, focus groups and volunteer opportunities. And be sure to attend our Pre-Annual Conference Information Session via Zoom May 8, at 2 p.m. or 7 p.m. We'll send out Zoom access information in advance of the session.

REGISTRATION IS OPEN FOR THE 2024 EPA ANNUAL CONFERENCE, May 21-23, at Wildwoods Convention Center. To see the agenda, hotel options and other information, visit the [AC2024 webpage](#), which will be updated as more information becomes available. Also, volunteers are needed for the 2024 Annual Conference. Please complete and submit the form provided to serve as an usher, minute taker or tellers. See descriptions on the [Volunteers Needed](#) webpage. **Church delegates and equalizing lay delegates should sign up ASAP.** If you are interested in being an equalizing lay delegate please contact Pastor Jason or District Superintendent Freymoyer.

CONAM (The Committee on Native American Ministries) invites all to its annual spring gathering at Camp Innabah in Spring City PA, **on Sunday, April 14, at 2:30 p.m.**, to meet a young, dynamic change-maker, Nathan Solorio (Ojibwa), 16, of Mechanicsburg, PA. RSVP to vmcolliver@gmail.com. Visit our [website for more info](#).

COMMUNITY YARD SALE & CHICKEN BBQ on May 11 from 8AM-1PM at OCUMC.

OREGON COMMUNITY UMC 150th ANNIVERSARY COMMUNITY CELEBRATION on June 22 from 2-6PM ending with a 6PM Worship Service and Dessert Reception. There will be games and activities for kids and adults, a bounce house, food, and a worship service to celebrate 150 years of service in the community.



SUMMER CAMP: REGISTER TO ATTEND A UMC CAMP THIS SUMMER—OR VOLUNTEER AS A COUNSELOR / SUPPORT STAFF. Visit <https://www.epaumc.org/ministry/camp-retreat> for more information or visit each camp's website. **Families with campers in need of financial support should contact the church office.**

COMMUNITY AID will donate \$.13 to Faith UMC for every pound of clothing, shoes, electronic, toys, & household goods (excluding furniture) donated at 31 Rohrerstown Road Mon-Sat, 9AM-6PM. **Tell staff to credit Non-profit partner #10221 - Faith UMC.** Write or tape partner number on bags/boxes.

ONGOING EVENTS:

Sundays

Adult Sunday School, 9:00 AM
Worship, 10:30 AM in the Sanctuary and Facebook Live
Junior Church during 10:30 AM worship
Youth Group at Faith, 5-7 PM

1st Sundays

Communion offered during worship service, followed by refreshments

Mondays

GriefShare Group - Every other Monday, 5:00-6:30 PM at Faith UMC (*begins April 15*)
Chatting Club *via Zoom*, 6:30 PM

Tuesdays

Bible2School in the Fellowship Hall, 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM
Nar-Anon - Every other Tuesday, 7:00-9:00 PM at Faith UMC

Wednesdays

Bible2School in the Fellowship Hall, 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM
Bible Study at Oregon Community UMC, 6:30PM
Worship Team Practice, 6:00 PM

Thursdays

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

Fridays

Bible Study led by Pastor Jason, 10:00 AM

1st & 3rd Saturdays

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

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Monday, Apr 15

GriefShare Group - Every other Monday from 5:00 to 6:30 PM
Chatting Club *via Zoom*, 6:30 PM

Thursday, Apr 18

Senior Men's Lunch at Oregon Dairy, 11:30 AM
Church & Society Team meeting *via Zoom*, 5:30 PM

Sunday Apr 21

Tuesday, Apr 23

Assemble Care Packages for Millersville Students, 5:00 PM
Primary Election – Faith UMC is a polling place, 7 AM to 8 PM

Soup & Sandwich Sale, 11 AM to 1 PM & 4 PM to 6 PM

Thursday, Apr 25

Trustees meeting, 6:00 PM

Thursday, May 2

Lancaster County National Day of Prayer, 6:15 PM at Calvary Church
Annual Conference in Wildwood, NJ

Tu-Th, May 21-23

Neighborhood Yard Sale, 7:00 AM to 1:00 PM – Reserve a space

Saturday, May 25

Dog Wash, 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Saturday, June 8

Operation Overboard VBS, 6:00 to 8:00 PM

M-F, July 22-26

WORSHIP LEADERS for next Sunday, April 21 are:

GREETERS/USHERS: Janet & Beverly Charles

LITURGIST: Terry Urban

CHILDREN'S TIME: Pastor Jason

JUNIOR CHURCH: Lisa Baker & Marilyn Jones

YOUTH GROUP: Pastor Jason **& volunteer needed**