### **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 Healing for former President Trump 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 Reform for Education Funding, Criminal Justice, and Foster Care Systems Teachers, Students, Families & Campus ministries 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 Udobo School in Durban, South Africa **Campus Ministries** Eileen Williams - muscles Bradley McGowan – ALS Linda Philbin – motor neuropathy & healing Rosemary (Marilyn Jones' sister) – healing Annette McClarigan – health, sons & family Jean Neideigh – healing (MS) Noah Boughter, Sophie and family Heather Lindsey Jake Ruhl – hip and shoulder pain Shirley Gehr – healing Tracey – follow up reports on a tumor The Jackson Family

Robyn Meckley – healing

Linda Weber - 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), Jim Royer, Adam Malik, Carol Bryner (Allen K's sister), Joan (Nancy's sister-in-law), Isaias Maldonado (Ramonita's Uncle), Missy Landis; Gail (friend of Sandy), Hector Rosado, Tim (Marilyn J's nephew)

Terry & Margie Urban & family – housing & health

Ruthie & Gary with Dementia – friends of Amy Brenda, Dave and Mike Loechner – health Denny Armstrong – kidney failure
Deb Stauffer – healing from pneumonia
Carol Dronke – healing
Daryl Hawthorne – healing after shoulder surgery
Terry Kofroth – healing
Bob Miller – pain and heart problems
Bishop Schol, DS Freymoyer & EPAUMC Staff
Laity and Clergy of the UMC
For unity & love in the church universal & the UMC

Paul (Jake's nephew) – healing for heart & kidneys Lexi Compton – treatment for tumor on spine (which has shrunken 50% in size)

Boughter family

Brian – healing

Dolly Bankert – severely bruised knee

Ron Lunn – health issues and preparing to move

Joshua Bitner – Crohn's Disease

People who are unhoused in extreme heat

Josie, dog with auto immune issues

Rev. Dorcas's ministry in Sierra Leone and the death of her husband Daniel

Bishop Cynthia Moore-KoiKoi who is appointed to Eastern PA and Greater New Jersey Conferences People whose properties were affected by the storms Lorraine Smith – upcoming hip surgery MaryAnn Unangst – healing

#### **OUR PRAISES:**

Pastor Hedwige Mutwale Mukalay's ministry God's loving presence in the midst of struggles Phyllis Miller - no Congestive Heart Failure Donald Campbell – recovering well from kidney and heart concerns

Please submit prayer needs, praises, & updates by note or email to the office: <u>faithumc@hotmail.com</u>



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## Welcome

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# Faith United Methodist Church



# July 28, 2024 at 10:30 AM – 10<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

**ELCOME:** Each Sunday we gather together to worship as a communal activity where individuals become one in the Christ. We learn of God together through Scripture and discernment. We support and pray for one another in the journey. We submit together to obey God's call on our lives. May the Spirit of God inspire & fill us as we worship together today! 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 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 worshiping 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

This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven.

The hour is coming, and now is, when true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and in truth, for such the Father seeks to worship him.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him, bless his name! Amen. (The Book of Worship, 1965, Alt.)

*HYMN	Jesus Loves Me	UMH #191 v. 1-3
SCRIPTURE LESSON	<b>Ephesians 3:14-21</b>	Drew Hassara
	This is the Word of the Lord — <b>Thanks be to God!</b>	

CHILDREN'S TIME		Pastor Jason
*HYMN	Tell Me the Stories of Jesus	UMH #277

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

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

\*Doxology Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow UMH #95

\*HYMN Leaning on the Everlasting Arms UMH #133

SCRIPTURE LESSON John 6:1-21 Drew Hassara

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

SERMON Dive into Trusting God Pastor Jason

BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH Pastor Jason

\*HYMN God Will Take Care of You UMH #130

\* 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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. Any students are invited to join us—you don't have to be a member of one of our churches. Sign up to be the 2nd adult and/or provide a meal in the hall or by contacting Pastor Jason. **THOSE ENTERING 5TH GRADE IN THE FALL ARE INVITED TO START ATTENDING YOUTH GROUP!! WELCOME!** 

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 started a new group in April. We meet every other Monday from 5-6:30 PM in the first classroom in the Education Wing at Faith UMC. Our next meetings are July 29 & August 12. This is open to the church and community. Contact Pastor Jason for more info or to register.

#### 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: August 15 at 5:30 PM (3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays). Join us by Zoom only at: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82735304374?pwd=eDBSZHRCZVphSnh2TENDZ0xrdG0vQT09">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82735304374?pwd=eDBSZHRCZVphSnh2TENDZ0xrdG0vQT09</a>. To learn more,

contact Renee Norman. The **Criminal Justice & Bail Reform Team**, meets online at Noon every other Wed. (*Aug 7 & 21*): https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82483314676?pwd=K2ZtZGQ0LzBOelVlVXQwUk5LR2VFQT09

**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.

**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.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: Twenty-six children participated in a fun filled week of skits, Bible stories, games, music, crafts, and snacks. We learned how God provides our daily bread--and our other needs as well. Thank you to all our volunteers! We are continuing our mission project to support the Pet Pantry through August if you would like to contribute.

**CHURCH AND VBS FAMILY PICNIC: Today after worship. Everyone is invited!** We will be eating in the fellowship hall. Sno-Cones are available outside. We hope you will spend some time visiting & playing yard games.

**VBS MISSION PROJECT: Each year during VBS we invite children** *and the congregation* **to support a Mission Project.** This year we are supporting the Pet Pantry of Lancaster Co. They are there for animals and their humans during their times of greatest need, providing lifesaving resources through caring community-driven programs. *See the Faith-a-Gram or the poster in the hall for their wish list and consider donating needed items.* 

**FAITH FRIENDSHIP MINISTRIES** is a Faith based group home in Mountville, PA that houses adults with disabilities, especially severe mental illnesses. They need craft supplies for their activity department. As we are such a generous congregation, the missions committee said we would help! They are looking for the following supplies: t-shirts of all sizes, white baseball hats, tie dye supplies, stickers, holiday stickers, holiday craft supplies for all holidays, poster board, tissue paper, glitter, sequins, yarn, and any other craft supplies anyone wants to donate.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORTS are due August 30. The link and information are available at: <a href="https://www.epaumc.org/charge-conferences/">https://www.epaumc.org/charge-conferences/</a>. There are forms for SPRC, Church Council, Trustees, Finance Team, Auditors, and Lay Leaders to complete. Please contact Pastor Jason to get help accessing the reports that your committees are required to complete online in the Arena Software.

THANK YOU for your faithfulness to our ministries—through your prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness. As of July 9, giving and fundraisers for our general ministries has raised \$89,146, with \$95,080 in expenses. That \$6,000 deficit is smaller than it was in May when it was over \$9,000. So, we are making progress. Thankfully, due to generous end of year giving, we carried a surplus into 2024, which has enabled us to pay our expenses and still have funds in our general ministry account (\$17,697). We have also been able to raise \$18,328 toward debt reduction to be used for our mortgage payments on the Fellowship Hall and Education Wing, and that debt reduction account now has \$13,860 to be used for those bills after making our monthly payments throughout the year.

We need to maintain a regular weekly income of \$4,100 per week toward the regular budget and the debt reduction combined in order to meet our expenses without depleting the accounts. We are currently averaging only \$3938 in income, including fundraisers. 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 <a href="https://secure.myvanco.com/L-Z37Q/home">https://secure.myvanco.com/L-Z37Q/home</a>. There is a link at <a href="FaithUMC.us">FaithUMC.us</a> 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.



**THREADS OF FAITH:** If you like to knit, sew, crochet or quilt, we would like to invite you to Threads of Faith! Whether experienced or just learning, you are welcome to join us from **10am - Noon the first Saturday of each month** for fun, fellowship and crafting! Bring your sewing machines and supplies and work on your projects or start a new one while we chat and share talents in our brightly lit, spacious room with plenty of outlets! **Our first gathering will be Sat., Aug. 3rd.** Signups appreciated but walk-ins welcome! We look forward to meeting you all!

**SCRAPBOOKING EVENT at Faith UMC on Sat., Aug. 10, 2024 from 9AM-5PM:** For \$25 you will have a 4 foot by 30 inch table space per person. We will provide assistance with transporting your scrapbook supplies from the car to the table when you arrive and back to the car at the end of the day. Food will be available for purchase. You can <u>REGISTER ONLINE</u> or by downloading <u>a copy of the form</u> to print and mail. **Register now!** *There is a signup sheet in the hall for volunteers to help with this event—or contact Michelle Bame (717)537-5064 or Jackie Black (717)572-1521.* 

TAKEOUT SPAGHETTI DINNER AUGUST 18, 5-7 PM: Dinner will be spaghetti (gluten-free available) with meat sauce, a salad, bread, & a sweet treat. There is also a meatless sauce option available. To pre-order sign up in the hall, call the church office at 717-560-0321 or email FaithUMC@hotmail.com. Pay what you want. Donations may be made on our website, <a href="www.FaithUMC.us">www.FaithUMC.us</a> under "Online Giving," or when you pick up your meal. All donations support the ministries of the church. There are signup sheets in the hall to order dinners, help on Saturday or Sunday, and donate fresh vegetables or dessert.

**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.

SUMMER CAMP: REGISTER TO ATTEND OR VOLUNTEER AS A COUNSELOR / SUPPORT STAFF. Visit <a href="https://www.epaumc.org/ministry/camp-retreat">https://www.epaumc.org/ministry/camp-retreat</a> for more info. Families with campers in need of financial support should contact the church office.

**REVERBERATE 2024** will take place on Sunday, September 15th, from 6:00 to 8:00 pm (with food trucks from 4:00 to 6:00 pm) in Long's Park, and Water Street Mission would love for us to join them. This free, one-night event will feature powerful testimonies from members of our community, joyful fellowship, and worship from various denominations. It's an opportunity to unite Lancaster County believers in worship to lift one another up.

**MEDICINE BOTTLE COLLECTION:** We send *small* 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.

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.

**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*.

IN NEED OF HELP? Contact Pastor Jason, dial 2-1-1 or visit <a href="www.211.org">www.211.org</a> to reach the United Way Call Center for social services. The Crisis Intervention Lifeline is (717) 394-2631 or <a href="dial 9-8-8">dial 9-8-8</a>.

#### **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 SundaysCommunion offered during worship service, followed by refreshmentsMondaysGriefShare Group - Every other Monday, 5:00-6:30 PM at Faith UMCTuesdaysNar-Anon - Every other Tuesday, 7:00-9:00 PM at Faith UMC

Wednesdays 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

**1st Saturdays** Servant Saturday & Threads of Faith (beginning Aug 3)

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Sunday, July 28 Family Picnic, noon

Monday, July 29 GriefShare Group - Every other Monday from 5:00 to 6:30 PM

Thursday, Aug 1 SPRC meeting, 6:00 PM

Saturday, Aug 3 Threads of Faith, 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM Wednesday, Aug 7 Ladies' Lunch at Oregon Dairy, 11:30 AM

**Thursday, Aug 8** Finance Meeting, 6:00 PM

Friday, Aug 9 Set up for Scrapbook Crop, 6:00 to 7:00 PM

Saturday, Aug 10 Scrapbook Crop, 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM – See our website to register now.

Monday, Aug 12 GriefShare Group - Every other Monday from 5:00 to 6:30 PM

**Thursday, Aug 15** Senior Men's Lunch at Oregon Dairy, 11:30 AM

Church & Society meeting vis Zoom, 5:30 PM

Saturday, Aug 17 Spaghetti Dinner Prep, 8:00 AM

Sunday, Aug 18 Take-out Spaghetti Dinner, 5:00 to 7:00 PM (prep volunteers begin at 3:00 PM)

#### **WORSHIP LEADERS for next Sunday, August 4 are:**

GREETERS/USHERS: Jim & Buni Harbison

LITURGIST: Terry Kofroth

CHILDREN'S TIME: Amy Boughter

JUNIOR CHURCH: Gwen Newell & Julie Perkowski YOUTH GROUP: Pastor Jason & volunteer needed