PRAYER REQUESTS:

OUR CONCERNS:

Peace in Israel, Palestine, Ukraine & Russia For peace & wisdom in areas of conflict Wisdom & safety for government officials globally President Joe Biden and VP Kamala Harris For gentle and honest campaigns & election Safety for Trump and Harris as they campaign 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 NarSarah Village and Clinic, Sierra Leone Eileen Williams – muscles Bradley McGowan – ALS Jean Neideigh – healing (MS) Ben Neideigh – healing after a fall Noah Boughter, Sophie and family Heather Lindsey

health Ruthie & Gary with Dementia – friends of Amy Denny Armstrong – kidney failure Carol Dronke – healing Daryl Hawthorne – healing after shoulder surgery Terry Kofroth – healing from back surgery

Terry & Margie Urban & family – housing &

Jake Ruhl – hip and shoulder pain

Those with cancer: Cyndi Campbell, Dean Grove, Mark Reitzel, Duane Lehman, Ruthie, Martin Campbell, Ben Neideigh, Harmony Chiccarine, Grandma Edwards, Nat, Tina Miller, Dorcas Kamanda (in remission), Jim Royer, Adam Malik, Joan (Nancy's sister-in-law), Isaias Maldonado (Ramonita's Uncle), Missy Landis; Gail (friend of Sandy), Hector Rosado, Meleny Fisher (friend of Daryl), Geneva (sister of Larry Landis)

Lexi Compton - treatment for tumor on spine (which has shrunken 50% in size)

Bishop Moore-KoiKoi, 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 Dolly Bankert – upcoming knee surgery

Dottie Sheaffer – healing

Andrea – neck & back pain

Nancy – healing

Hank Kloiber – healing after heart attack Linda Philbin – motor neuropathy & lung cancer Pat Oglesby (Laura Gehman's sister) – declining health

Pat Drebot (Jake's sister) – declining health Rosemary (Marilyn Jones' sister) – declining health

OUR PRAISES:

God's loving presence in the midst of struggles Those who have seen healings from prayer Opportunities for education and dedicated teachers and professors

Doris & Don Brandt – healing after a car accident Tim (Marilyn Jones' nephew) – cancer free

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



October 13, 2024 at 10:30 AM – 21st 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

Buni Harbison & Pastor Jason

*CALL TO WORSHIP

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Pastor Jason & God's People

Lisa Baker

We gather to listen to the voice of Jesus say, "Come, follow me!" But will you follow when Jesus also calls you to release the hold wealth has on you?

We want to follow Jesus anywhere he leads, and we can with God's help.

We gather to remember all that God has taught us through scripture, tradition, reason, and experience. But what about when we have to put what we know into action?

We want to put our faith into action, and we can with God's help.

We gather to live into God's economy of abundance, recognizing the riches of the prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness that surround us. But what about when the world tempts us back into scarcity?

We want to turn away from scarcity and choose God's abundance, and we can with God's help.

We gather to shine as a beacon of a new way of living where following Jesus means sharing in God's abundant gifts together. But will you keep shining when others try to pull you astray, putting the pursuit of wealth before the pursuit of God? With God's help, we will resist the pull of wealth and the fear of scarcity and pursue

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*HYMN	Take My Life, and Let It Be	UMH #399
SCRIPTURE LESSON	Matthew 10:5-20 This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!	Lisa Baker
CHILDREN'S TIME		Pastor Jason
*HYMN	Take Time to Be Holy	UMH #395
THE PRAYERS OF GOD' & BLESSING OF THE PR	S PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER AYER SHAWLS	UMH #895
OUR OFFERINGS: <i>OF PR</i> *DOXOLOGY	AYERS, PRESENCE, GIFTS, SERVICE & WITNESS Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow	UMH #95
SCRIPTURE LESSON	1 Timothy 4:6-16 This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!	Lisa Baker
*HYMN	Lord, I Want to Be a Christian	UMH #402

Ecclesiastes 3:1-22

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

SERMON Faithful Responses: Reckoning Time

BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH

*HYMN

Pastor Jason **Pastor Jason**

MSFPW 2 #77 Above All

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. **John Rice is filling in as** teacher for Michelle. We hope to have you join us each week for this interactive study and discussion.

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. Youth will also help with the Trunk or Treat from 5-8:30pm on Saturday, October with the games, pumpkin decorating, etc.

YOUTH AT GRETNA GLEN: Fall Fun Day is October 20th from 12:00-4:00 with Youth Group Night immediately following from 4:00-5:30 PM. Families are invited to come and be a part of the Fall Fun Day and to then help chaperone during the Youth Group Night following. Please let Pastor Jason know if you are coming and will be transporting your students directly there (and home). November 17th is Youth Group Night from 3:30-7:00pm. Please sign up in the church hallway or by contacting Pastor Jason if you will be attending. We need adults who are willing to drive and chaperone for these monthly events for 2024.

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 meet every other Monday from 5-6:30 PM in the first classroom in the Education Wing at Faith UMC. Our next meetings are Oct 21 & Nov 4. This is open to the church and community. We will be starting a new round of classes in the next several weeks. Contact Pastor Jason to register.

BIBLE2SCHOOL is meeting at Faith UMC on Tuesdays for 3rd Grade and on Wednesdays for 4th and 2nd Grade students from Reidenbaugh Elementary. Volunteers are needed to assist on Tuesdays or Wednesdays for 90 minutes. Please contact Pastor Jason if you would like to help—especially as the classes are growing.

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.

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: October 17 at 5:00 PM (3rd Thursdays). 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 other Wed. (Oct. 16 & 30); https://us02web.zoom.us/i/82483314676?pwd=K2ZtZGO0LzBOelVIVXOwUk5LR2VFOT09. Reimagine Justice Lancaster meets online at Noon on Tuesdays of the opposite weeks (Oct 22 & Nov 5) at: https://verainstitute.zoom.us/j/92512144651

ATTENTION COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS & MEMBERS OF FAITH UMC: Our Charge Conference is scheduled for Saturday, Oct 19 at 9:00AM at Lititz, UMC. Please make every effort to attend.

^{*} You are invited to stand in body or in Spirit

VOLUNTEERS: If you are interested in being on a committee or team at Faith UMC please let Pastor Jason and the Nominations Team know where you would like to serve. This could be serving on the Finance Team, Trustees, or Staff Parish Relations (Human Relations team for the church); teaching, leading or being an assistant for Christian Education (Junior Church, Bible Study, or Youth Group); being a part of Shepherding Missions or Outreach projects; being part of fellowship meals and hospitality; setting up for Communion, etc.

NEW MEMBERSHIP CLASS: Pastor Jason will be teaching another new membership class for those who are interested in learning more about Faith UMC and the denomination. We will answer your questions and help you explore whether or not you would like to officially become a member. We will meet on October 27, November 3 & 10 after worship services. Please contact Pastor Jason if you are interested in being a part of this class.

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY: On November 3, we would like to honor all of our loved ones that have passed away since last year. VETERANS DAY: On November 10 we would like to honor all of our church members and their family who have served in the armed services. Please email/drop off a photo of your loved ones to the church no later than the Monday before each service (Oct 28 / Nov 4). Include their full name, date of birth/death, and for veterans their military branch and rank. We will display a slideshow honoring them during the service. If you sent us photos for service members last year, we have those on file; please just let us know if you want them to be included and if their rank has changed. We may also have obituary photos on file—contact us if you want them used.

FAITHFUL RESPONSES IN THE REAL WORLD is our current sermon series. We will address various topics and how we address them in a way that is faithful to the Scriptures and our walk with God, realizing that we are *called to be in the world but not of the world* (John 17:4-7). If there are topics that you would like to see addressed in this series, please contact Pastor Jason. This would be a great series to invite your friends and family to hear as they seek Godly advice on the real life situations and struggles.

PUZZLE PALOOZA! DO YOU LOVE JIGSAW PUZZLES? Join us at Faith UMC on Saturday, October 19, 2024 from 3:00pm to 4:30pm (check-in at 2:30pm). Get your team of 2-4 together and let's race to complete a 500-piece puzzle. The winning team gets a prize along with bragging rights! ALL teams get to keep their puzzles after the event. Pre-registration is required by TODAY. The cost is \$40 per team, due at time of registration. There are registration forms in the hall or go to www.FaithUMC.us under "Events & Activities" to find a registration form or under "Online Giving" to register & pay online.

TRUNK OR TREAT: Come and join us Sat., Oct. 26th for our Trunk or Treat event from 6-8pm! Decorate your car trunks and hand out candy to the kids in our community. We will have pumpkin decorating, lawn games, free hot dogs, etc. Volunteers are needed. Please contact Lisa Baker at 717-615-6707 or sign up in the hall.

THANK YOU for your faithfulness to our ministries—through your prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness. We have raised \$130,500, with \$134,250 in expenses. We need to work to make up the \$3,750 deficit as we finish the year. We need about \$4100 per week in giving toward the general ministry and our mortgage debt reduction.

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.

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.

THREADS OF FAITH: If you like to knit, sew, crochet or quilt, we would like to invite you to Threads of Faith! Join us from **10am - Noon the first Saturday of each month** for fellowship and crafting! Work on your projects while we chat and share talents in our Fellowship Hall! **Our next gathering will be Sat., November 2.**

SUB SALE: We have \$7 certificates from S. Clyde Weaver for a delicious made-to-order sub at any of their locations with over 7+ varieties on sub rolls, bread or wraps. Support our ministries & get a discount! See Carol.

FAITH FRIENDSHIP MINISTRIES is a faith-based group home in Mountville, PA that houses adults with various disabilities. They could use craft supplies for their activity department.

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 before they unload.* Write or tape partner number on bags/boxes.

LONG MEMORIAL FREE GROCERIES for those in need every Friday at 6pm.

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.

IMPACT! MISSIONS is a Christian Housing Ministry that helps create warm, safe, and dry homes to be sold to lower-income families and does repairs on homes for existing homeowners without means to the do the work themselves. Impact! Missions needs volunteers who are willing to use their skills to help restore these houses. **Leon Bame volunteers on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays** and would love to have some people from Faith & Oregon Community UMC join him. **For more information contact Leon at 717-344-9924 or** leonshel37@gmail.com.

ONGOING EVENTS:

1st Sundays

Mondays

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 (3rd Sundays to Gretna Glen Camp instead) Communion offered during worship service, followed by refreshments GriefShare Group - Every other Monday, 5:00-6:30 PM at Faith UMC

1st & 3rd Tuesdays Nar-Anon, 7:15-8:45 PM at Faith UMC

Tuesdays Bible2School in the Fellowship Hall, 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM Wednesdays Bible2School in the Fellowship Hall, 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM

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 (next meeting Oct 5)

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Monday, Oct 14 Faith UMC provides Bag 'N Go Lunch at Zion Lutheran Church, prep at Faith 9:30 AM

Thursday, Oct 17 Men's Lunch at Oregon Dairy, 11:30 AM – RSVP to Mike Bitner

Church & Society meeting via Zoom, 5:00 PM

Saturday, Oct 19 Faith UMC Charge Conference at Lititz UMC, 9:00 AM

District 22 Training, 10 AM - 1:30 PM – Education Wing Puzzle Palooza, 3:00 – 4:30 PM (Check in at 2:30 PM)

Monday, Oct 21 GriefShare Group - Every other Monday from 5:00 to 6:30 PM

Thursday, Oct 24 Trustees meeting, 6:00 PM Saturday, Oct 26 Trunk or Treat, 6:00 -8:00 PM

Sunday, Oct 27 New Membership Class Begins, Noon following Worship Services

WORSHIP LEADERS for next Sunday, Oct 20 are:

GREETERS/USHERS: Donna Arnold & Leon Bame

LITURGIST: John Rice

CHILDREN'S TIME: Pastor Jason

JUNIOR CHURCH: Lisa Baker & Allen Kennedy YOUTH GROUP: Pastor Jason at Gretna Glen