

## **PRAYER REQUESTS:**

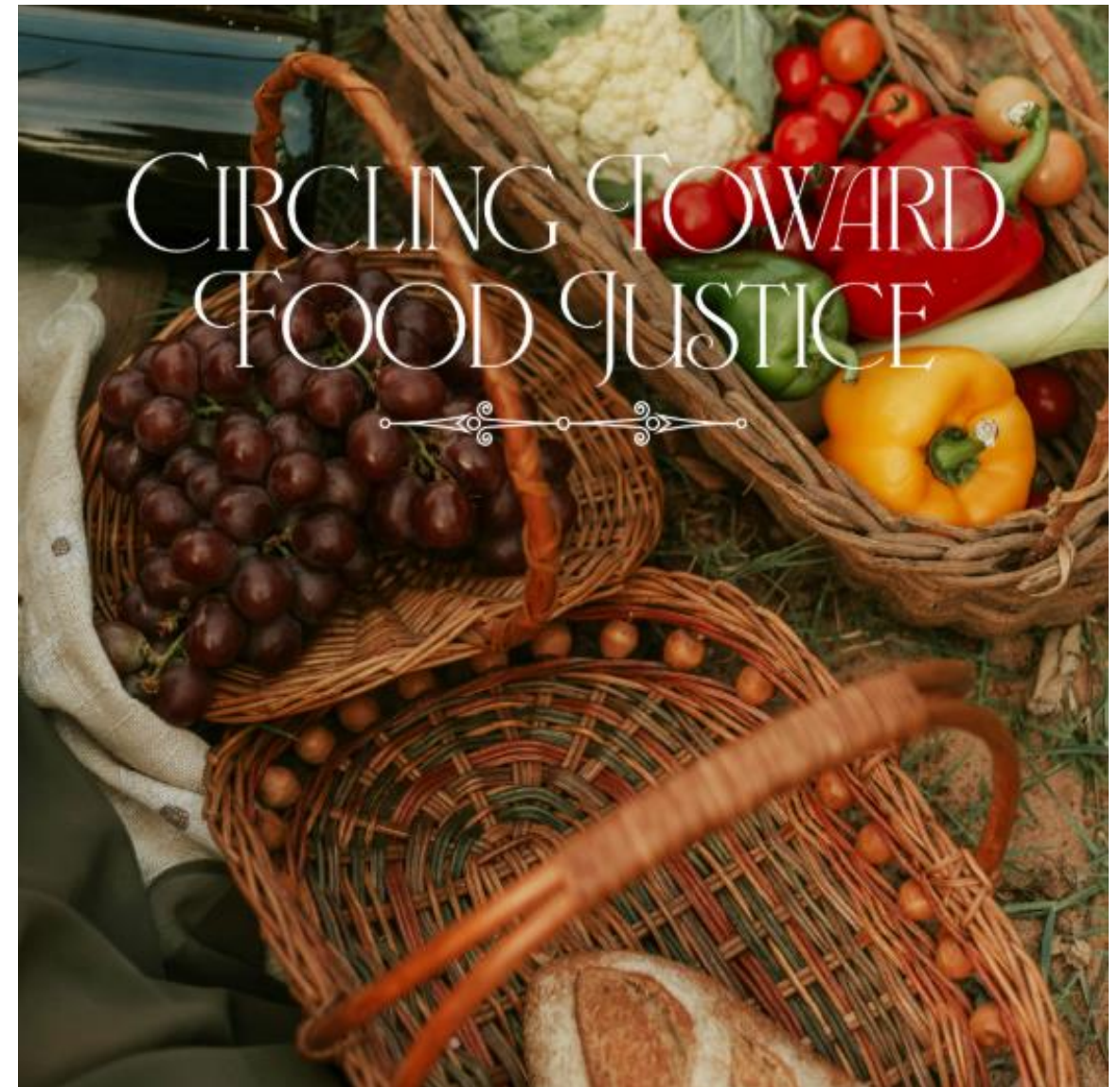
### **OUR CONCERNS:**

Bishop Moore-KoiKoi, DS Freymoyer & EPA Staff  
Laity and Clergy of the UMC  
Unity & love in the church universal & the UMC  
Healing & peace for divisions over race, class, gender, sexuality, politics & fears  
Wisdom & safety for government officials globally  
President Donald Trump and VP JD Vance  
Peace in Israel, Palestine, Ukraine & Russia  
For peace & wisdom in areas of conflict  
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  
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 & Attorneys  
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 & Ben Neideigh – healing  
Noah Boughter, Sophie and family  
Heather Lindsey  
Denny Armstrong – kidney failure  
Carol Dronke – healing  
Paul (Jake’s nephew) – healing for heart & kidneys  
Dottie Sheaffer – healing  
Andrea (friend of Lisa) – neck & back pain  
Linda Philbin – motor neuropathy & cancer

Those with cancer: Cyndi Campbell, Dean Grove, Mark Reitzel, Duane Lehman, Ruthie, Martin Campbell, Ben Neideigh, Dorcas Kamanda (in remission), Adam Malik, Joan (Nancy’s sister-in-law), Isaias Maldonado (Ramonita’s Uncle), Missy Landis; Marc Barley (Diane’s cousin), Heather Williams, Nat (friend of Wikers), Pat Oglesby (Laura G’s sister); Eileen Landis  
Rosemary (Marilyn Jones’ sister) healing  
Terry Kofroth healing for back & cataract surgery  
Melanie Jusino for peace and guidance  
Ralph & BobbiAnn Stone and their family  
Mary Shenk for Alzheimer’s  
Alfredo Vega, Jr – safety while on active duty  
Kaylee Colón – depression & anxiety  
Kayla (Tyler’s sister)  
Shirley Gehr for healing  
Mike Seiders healing from brain surgery  
Tim healing from severe workplace injury  
Tom & Sheila struggles with new home  
Javier Robles for healing & guidance  
Dennis Meck for a new car needed  
Chante healing after stroke  
Mike Loechner healing from seizures  
Anne Loechner healing from brain aneurysm  
Gwen (Kathy O’s friend) healing after back surgery  
Pat Drebot (Jake’s sister) – declining health  
Gene DeLange for healing  
Michael – struggling with addiction  
Rosemary Ford – Healing from surgery  
Destiny Eckman – brain tumor  
Kole (grandson of Shiela Kyle) – brain tumor  
Ashley recovery after emergency C-Section and her infant Hannah and fiancée Dustin  
Kathy Oberholtzer’s mother  
Sandy Patschke – eye surgery  
Cooper Baldwin – Infant getting spinal testing  
MaryAnn Unangst – healing for legs

### **OUR PRAISES:**

Aaliyah -- student with brain tumor and it was surgically removed with clear margins  
Couples preparing for marriage  
Many healings for those on prayer list  
***Please submit prayer needs, praises, & updates by note or email to the office: [faithumc@hotmail.com](mailto:faithumc@hotmail.com)***



## ***Welcome***

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May 4, 2025 at 10:30AM – Third Sunday of Easter

**WELCOME:** We worship a Risen Savior, Jesus, God’s Son & our Messiah. As a Resurrection People we gather to praise God and we go out to share the Good News. The Father has seated Jesus at His Right Hand to reign with justice & mercy 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 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** **Pastor Jason & God’s People**  
God, you call us from the corners of the Earth.  
**From the cities and the prairies, from the ghettos and the tables of the wealthy.**  
God, you sing to us from the corners of the universe.  
**In the gentle ocean breeze, in the colors that burst forth from our landscapes, in the faces of children ravaged by war.**  
God, you speak to us from the corners of the Earth.  
**To the east, to the west, to the north and to the south, above us, below us, and within us, your voice rings clear. Send your voice to sing in us, we pray, as we worship this day.**

*Written by Sally Johnson, United Methodist Creation Justice Movement*

**\*HYMN** *How Great is Our God* **MSFPW3 #117**

**SCRIPTURE LESSON** **Psalms 30** **Bob Rodgers**  
*This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!*

**CHILDREN’S TIME** **Pastor Jason**

**\*HYMN** *Amazing Grace* **UMH#378**

**SCRIPTURE LESSON** **Acts 9:1-20** **Bob Rodgers**  
*This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!*

**THE PRAYERS OF GOD’S PEOPLE** **Pastor Jason**

**SCRIPTURE LESSON** **Revelation 5:11-14** **Bob Rodgers**  
*This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!*

**\*HYMN** *Holy, Holy, Holy* **UMH #64**

**SCRIPTURE LESSON** **John 21:1-19** **Bob Rodgers**  
*This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!*

**SERMON** *Circling Towards Food Justice* **Pastor Jason**

**COMMUNION: CONFESSION, PARDON & PASSING THE PEACE** **UMH #12-13**  
*All are invited to the Lord’s Table to receive God’s forgiveness and grace through Communion*

**OUR OFFERINGS OF PRAYERS, PRESENCE, GIFTS, SERVICE & WITNESS**  
**\*DOXOLOGY** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* **UMH #95**

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING & THE LORD’S PRAYER** **UMH #13-14 & #895**

**RECEIVING THE BREAD AND THE CUP** **UMH #15**  
**\*HYMN** *Come, Sinners, to the Gospel Feast* **UMH #616**  
**\*HYMN** *There is a Fountain Filled with Blood* **UMH #622**

**BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH** **Pastor Jason**

**\*HYMN** *Tú Has Venido a la Orilla (Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore)* **UMH #344 v. 1 & 3**  
**(Spanish then English Translations)**

**\* You are invited to stand in body or in Spirit**  
**Pianist:** Jessica Maldonado **AV Tech:** Dennis Meck, Sr  
**Pastor:** The Rev. Jason Perkowski **Ministers:** The People of God

**OFFICE COMMUNICATIONS: Paula Fultz, our Office Administrator, will be in the office and responding to messages Mon-Thur, 10AM–3PM.** Pastor Jason will be on duty Mon-Thur, 10AM–5PM & Fri 10-Noon. His Sabbath is Friday at Noon -Sat. *Please call ahead to ensure that we are available and not in a mmeeting.*

**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL at 9AM** 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, 5-7PM** for 5th-12th graders. Each week there is dinner, games & a lesson. All students are invited. **To help chaperone or provide a meal, sign up in the hall or contact Pastor Jason.**

**BIBLE2SCHOOL** for students from Reidenbaugh Elem is finished for the year. **Volunteers are needed for the 2025-26 School Year.** Contact Pastor Jason if interested.

**GRIEFSHARE** helps people process the loss of loved ones and to find support from peers. This is open to the church and community. We are meeting **every Monday from 5-6:30PM at Faith UMC** in the Education Wing **until June 9** (except for May 26). Information and registration is at: <https://www.griefshare.org/groups/261153>.

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

**THE CHURCH & SOCIETY TEAM (CST)** engages in improving our community by standing up against injustice. **Next meeting: May 15 at 5PM (3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays). Join us by Zoom 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. (*May 14 & 28*): <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82483314676?pwd=K2ZtZGQ0LzBOeIVlVXQwUk5LR2VFQT09>.

**BOOK CLUB** on *The Sum of Us* by Heather McGhee. The Church and Society Team (CST) invites you to a monthly book via <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82735304374?pwd=eDBSZHRCZVphSnh2TENDZ0xrdG0vQT09>. We will meet to discuss the remaining chapters on Mon., May 5 at 5pm. Contact Renee Norman for more info.

**“COMMUNITY CONVERSATIONS: Pursuing the Common Good”** is a new opportunity from our Church and Society Team (CST) to gather to learn about timely issues in our community and to have civil, kind and honest conversations. Our next session will be **on Sun, May 18, Noon-1:30PM**. That session’s topic is **“Immigration and Loving Our Neighbors.”** Hosted by: Faith UMC’s Church and Society Team.

**BRIDGE OF HOPE:** We will begin supporting a family moving into our neighborhood thru the Bridge of Hope program. To volunteer please contact Pastor Jason to start completing the training and clearances. **Those who had already volunteered should read through the book and complete the online training ASAP.**

**MANDATED REPORTER/SAFE SANCTUARIES TRAINING:** You are required to attend this training annually if you have any interaction with children or youth programs or work with vulnerable adults. Please provide us with a certificate proving that you have done this training or join us **on Mon., May 5 from 6:30-8PM**

**EQUALIZING LAY DELEGATES:** If you want to represent the laity of the EPAUMC and help set policy and missional focus for our denomination, see Pastor Jason. You would be a delegate to the 2025-2028 Annual Conference sessions. We meet in **Wildwood, NJ for Annual Conference from May 20 at 1 PM until May 22 at Noon. Sun., May 4** is the **West District Conference at Cornwall UMC at 3 PM**. All are encouraged to attend.

**THANK YOU for your faithfulness** through your prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness for our ministries. **In 2025 we will need about \$4,200 per week in giving** toward the general ministry budget and paying down the debt on our mortgage. Please consider setting up an automatic via Online Giving or through your bank—or mailing in your gifts on weeks when you miss worship.

Gifts can be directed to **General Ministry and/or the Debt Reduction / Building Fund** by marking your preference in the memo line & envelope. You can set up gifts through your own bank or at <https://secure.myvanco.com/L-Z37Q/home>. There is a link at [FaithUMC.us](http://FaithUMC.us) or via the **QR Code**. Special gifts from IRAs, stocks, etc. can also be received.



**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. **WE ARE HOSTING A CLOTHING DRIVE FOR THEM THRU MID-MAY WITH BINS BY MAILBOXES!**

**COMMUNITY MEAL:** People in need may pick up a **Grab ‘n Go Meal at Zion Lutheran Church** in East Petersburg every Monday. **Faith UMC provides sixty Grab ‘n Go Meals quarterly.** Our remaining dates for 2025 are July 7 and Oct 27. *Contact Carol Kennedy if you are interested in participating in this ministry.*

**IN NEED OF HELP?** Contact Pastor Jason, dial **2-1-1** or visit [www.211.org](http://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*.

**FOOD ALLERGIES OR SENSITIVITIES?** We are working to have placards on dishes during our meals to identify ingredients that may cause reactions to people who grace our tables. If you have a food allergy or sensitivity (nuts, fish, dairy, etc.) or are vegetarian or vegan, please see Buni Harbison. If you are bringing dishes to events in the future, please help us by being prepared to identify ingredients that may be allergens.

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

**ANNUAL OUTDOOR COMMUNITY YARD SALE is on Saturday May 24th from 7AM to 2PM (RAIN or SHINE).** We have **Yard Sale spaces for rent that are 20’x 20’ in the grass for \$20.** Pre-registration to rent a space is required, with payment due the day of the event. On-line space registration is available through [www.FaithUMC.us](http://www.FaithUMC.us) or contact 717-696-5321. **VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED!** Please see the sign-up sheet in the hall to help the day of the event or to donate deserts. **Donation of gently used items (no clothing)** can be brought to the purple Sunday School room across from the Youth room to be sold by the youth to support their upcoming events. **Donation of books and puzzles** can be dropped off in the 2nd Sunday school room. **THANK YOU!**

**THREADS OF FAITH:** If you like to knit, sew, crochet or quilt **join us from 10am - Noon the first Saturday of each month** for a time of fellowship and crafting! Bring your sewing machines and supplies and work on your projects in our Fellowship Hall! **Next meeting is June 7.**

**ONGOING EVENTS:**  
**Sundays**

**1<sup>st</sup> Sundays**  
**Mondays**  
**1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays**  
**Wednesdays**  
**Every Other Wednesday**  
**1<sup>st</sup> Wednesdays**  
**Thursdays**  
**1<sup>st</sup> Thursdays**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Thursdays**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays**  
**4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays**  
**Fridays**  
**1<sup>st</sup> Saturdays**

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**  
**Sunday, May 4**  
**Monday, May 5**

**Wednesday, May 7**  
**Thursday, May 8**  
**Saturday, May 10**  
**Sunday, May 11**  
**Monday, May 12**  
**Thursday, May 15**  
**Sunday, May 18**  
**Tuesday, May 20**  
**May 20-22**  
**Saturday, May 24**  
**Monday, May 26**  
**Saturday, June 14**  
**Saturday, July 12**  
**Mon-Fri July 21-25**

**WORSHIP LEADERS for Next Sunday, May 11**  
GREETERS: Lisa Baker & Marilyn Jones  
USHERS: Lisa Baker & Carol Kennedy  
LITURGIST: Michelle Bame  
CHILDREN’S TIME: Michelle Bame  
JUNIOR CHURCH: Diane Black & Allen Kennedy  
YOUTH GROUP: **Happy Mother’s Day! No Youth Group**

Adult Sunday School, 9AM  
Worship, 10:30AM in the Sanctuary and Facebook Live  
Junior Church during 10:30AM worship  
Youth Group at Faith, 5-7PM  
Communion offered during worship service, followed by refreshments  
GriefShare, 5PM – 6:30PM (*except May 26*)  
Nar-Anon, 7:15-8:45PM at Faith UMC  
Worship Team Practice, 6:45PM  
POWER Criminal Justice Reform Team by Zoom, Noon  
**Women’s Lunch at Oregon Dairy, 11:30AM**  
Wing and a Prayer AA Meeting in the Fellowship Hall, 10AM  
Staff Parish Relations Committee (SPRC), 6PM  
Finance Team, 6PM  
**Men’s Lunch at Oregon Dairy, 11:30AM**  
Church and Society Team (CST) by Zoom, 5PM  
Trustees (on even months) // Church Council (on odd months), 6PM  
Bible Study led by Pastor Jason, 10AM  
Threads of Faith, 10AM

West District Conference at Cornwall UMC, 3PM  
Book Club via Zoom, 5PM  
**Mandated Reporter/Safe Sanctuaries Training, 6:30PM – 8PM**  
**Women's Lunch at Oregon Dairy, 11:30AM**  
Finance Meeting, 6PM  
District 22 AFG, 10AM-Noon  
**Happy Mother’s Day! -- No Youth Group**  
District Resource Team via Zoom, 6:30PM – 8PM  
Church and Society Team via Zoom, 5PM  
**CST Community Conversation: Immigration Reform, Noon-1:30PM**  
Primary Election, Faith UMC Polling Place 6AM-9PM  
Annual Conference at Wildwood Convention Center, NJ (1PM Tues - Noon Thurs)  
Annual Yard Sale  
Memorial Day -- **No GriefShare**  
Dog Wash, 10AM – 2PM  
Puzzle Palooza, 1-2:30PM  
Vacation Bible School, 6 – 8PM