

PRAYER REQUESTS:

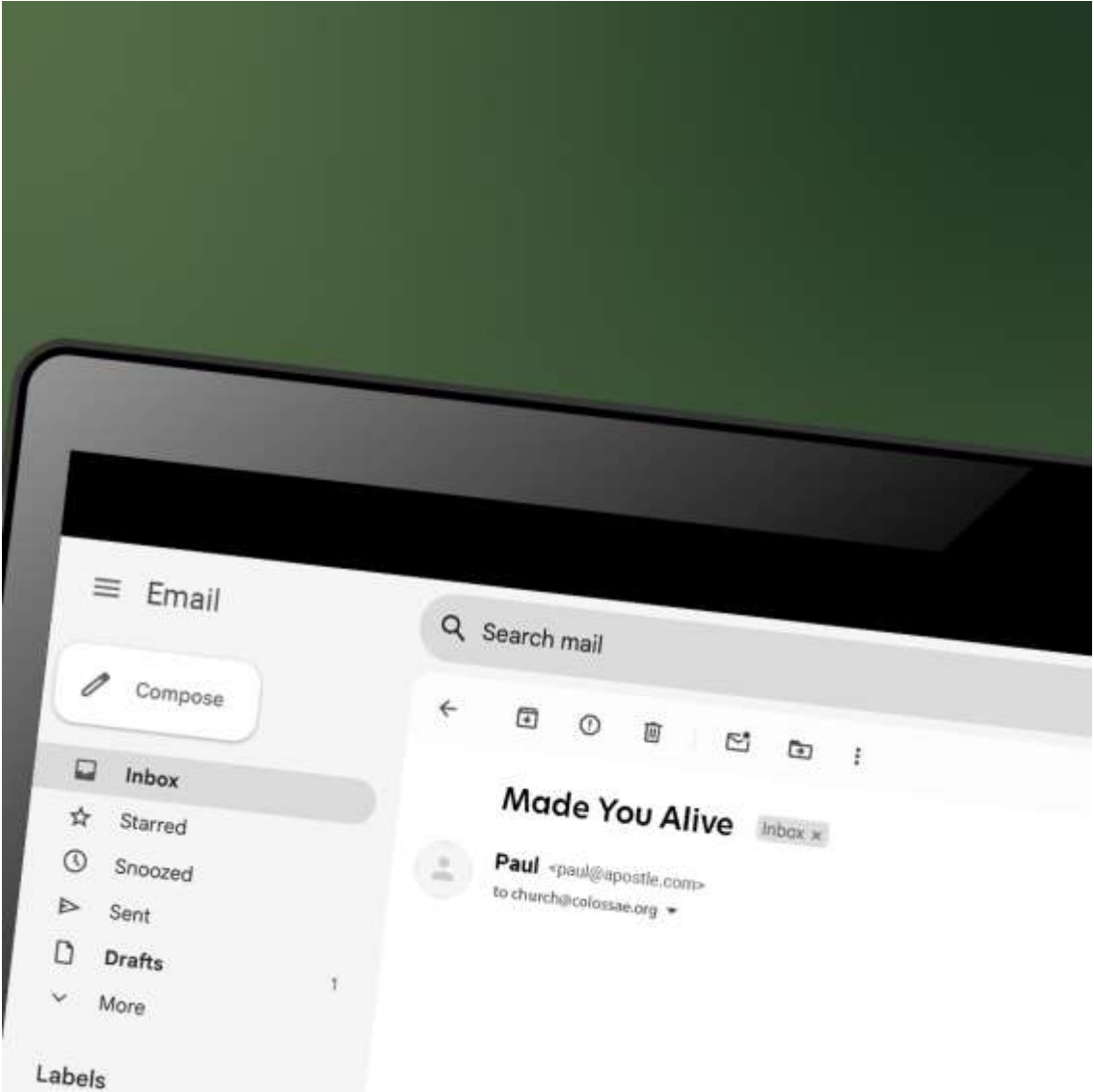
OUR CONCERNS:

Bishop Moore-KoiKoi, DS Freymoyer & EPA
Staff as they travel in South Korea
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 and the
Middle East
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
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
Rosemary (Marilyn Jones’ sister) healing

Those with cancer: Cyndi Campbell, Dean Grove,
Mark Reitzel, Duane Lehman, Ruthie, Martin
Campbell, 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, Janet (friend of Lisa)
Terry Kofroth healing for back issues
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
Javier Robles for healing & guidance
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
Destiny Eckman – brain tumor
Kole – brain tumor needs further treatment
Kathy Oberholtzer’s mother
Sandy Patschke – health
Carolyn Olein – end of life
Diana Valentine – healing
Baker & Nelson transitions into new homes
Elijah Hoffman for broken femur
Dale Jackman for Surgery
Kathy Oberholtzer for family concerns
Jimmy suffering from seizures (Di’s Nephew)
Michael - housing insecurity and addictions
Jim Harbison recovery from back surgery
Diana Allia – heart condition
Members currently in jail or returning home
Garnett K. for health & balance issues

OUR PRAISES:

Amy’s friend Ray for heart back in rhythm
Those celebrating weddings this Summer
New members and guests in worship
Volunteers completing projects around our church
***Please submit prayer needs, praises, & updates by
note or email to the office: faithumc@hotmail.com***



Welcome

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July 27, 2025 at 10:30AM – 7th Sunday after Pentecost

WELCOME: In this season of Pentecost, we remember Jesus’ promise that the Holy Spirit would come and baptize us, empower us, & remind us of God’s teachings so that we might become who we were always meant to be. As you experience the Holy Spirit’s work in your life, you are welcome to engage with us 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 worshipping 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**
Children of God, when the journey ahead seems long and hard, full of unknown dangers and all-too-real risks, remember:
Keep the faith. God, who made us alive, is our Guardian and Guide.
When the voices on the side of the road tempt us with their misinformation full of unearned certainty, simple solutions, and quickness to blame and shame those who disagree with them, remember:
Stay the course. God, who made us alive, is our Wisdom and Judge.
When those in power place barriers in our way, making it harder to share the love of God in our communities, trying to convince us it is easier to do nothing than remain firm in God’s call to act for the flourishing of all our neighbors, remember:
Do not be afraid. God, who made us alive, is our Strength and our Advocate.
Children of God, come! Let us worship God, whose persistent love empowers us to persevere, to stay the course, to live by faith and not fear.
Come, let us worship God, who makes us alive, through grace to love and serve God and one another.

Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, February 2025

***HYMN** *What a Friend We Have in Jesus* **UMH #526**

SCRIPTURE LESSON **Luke 11:1-13** **Drew Hassara**
This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!

CHILDREN’S TIME **Pastor Jason**

***HYMN** *Here I Am Lord* **UMH #593**

SCRIPTURE LESSON **Hosea 1:2-10** **Drew Hassara**
This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!

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

***HYMN** *Sweet Hour of Prayer* **UMH #496**

SCRIPTURE LESSON **Psalms 85** **Drew Hassara**
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 **Colossians 2:6-19** **Drew Hassara**
This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!

SERMON *Made You Alive* **Pastor Jason**

BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH
***HYMN** *It Is Well With My Soul* **Pastor Jason UMH #377**

** 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 meeting.*

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

NURSERY (1 year old - 3 years old) & **JUNIOR CHURCH** (4-years-old - 4th grade) are offered during the 10:30AM Worship Service. Please sign your child in before the service & get a numbered badge. *The Nursery is available at the start of the worship service.* Junior Church begins after the Children’s Message during the worship service. After worship, you will sign your children out in their classrooms in the Education Wing.

ON COMMUNION SUNDAYS WE WILL BRING CHILDREN BACK TO THE SANCTUARY AS COMMUNION BEGINS so that they are with their parents. Parents can decide if they want their children to receive communion or to simply observe and learn. **Please be prepared to receive your children as communion begins. Then turn in their numbered tags and sign them out on the clipboard right after the service.**

YOUTH GROUP ON SUNDAYS, 5-7PM for 5th-12th graders. Each week there is dinner, games & a lesson. All students are invited. **During summer, the rising 5th graders may begin attending Youth Group and graduates may still attend. We still need volunteers to provide a meal for youth group each week. Please sign up on the sheet in the hallway if you are willing to help.**

FRIDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY with Pastor Jason at 10AM in the Adult Classroom in Education Wing

THE CHURCH & SOCIETY TEAM (CST) engages in improving our community by standing up against injustice. **Next meeting: August 21 at 5PM (3rd 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. *(Next meeting is August 6—and then every other Wednesday after that)* <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82483314676?pwd=K2ZtZGQ0LzBOelVlVXQwUk5LR2VFQT09>.

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 date for 2025 is Oct 27. *Contact Carol Kennedy if you are interested in participating in this ministry.*

FAITH UMC WORSHIP TEAM: We are looking to add some new musicians and singers to our worship team. So, if you sing or play guitar, bass guitar or drums we would love to have you join us. **The Worship Team meets every Wednesday at 6:45PM to learn Sunday morning's music.**

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. **NOTE: The donation centers are now equipped with the necessary equipment and capacity to accept and sterilize items with padding and cushions. That includes pillows, quilts, sleeping bags, furniture items, and more.**

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.**

FINANCIAL UPDATE: *As of June 30*, we have received \$89,341 in offerings, fundraising proceeds, & special donations. Our expenses were \$91,440. That difference is only -\$2,099. We are almost at a balanced budget as of the middle of the year!! Thank you for your generosity!! We also have a healthy balance in our checking and savings account for various purposes including capital projects and a reserve for cash flow. Our goal is to finish 2025 with at least the same reserves that we began with. We need an average of \$4,200 per week in giving toward the general ministry budget and our mortgage payments.

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 automatic gifts through your own bank or at <https://secure.myvanco.com/L-Z37Q/home>. There is a link at FaithUMC.us or via the **QR Code**. Special gifts from IRAs, stocks, etc. can also be received. You can also mail checks directly to the church.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: Twenty-four children participated in a fun filled week of skits, Bible stories, games, music, crafts, and snacks. We went on a road trip and learned that God is with us wherever we go. Thank you to all our volunteers! We are continuing our mission project to support the Columbia Borough School District for a few more weeks if you would like to contribute.

VBS MISSION PROJECT: Each year during VBS we invite children and the congregation to support a Mission Project. This year we will be helping the Columbia Borough School District support their families in need. They have requested the following items:

- **Hygiene/Clothing/Personal Care Items:** hand sanitizer, baby wipes, deodorant (travel size), toothbrushes & toothpaste, hairbrushes/combs/picks, hair ties, detangling spray, chapstick, kid’s t-shirts (solid colors), new underwear and socks (kid’s sizes), lotions for different skin types, hair products for different hair types
- **Snacks & Extras:** granola bars, Nutri-grain bars, crackers, applesauce pouches, fruit snacks, individual bags of goldfish, graham crackers, veggie straws, pretzels, fidget toys, stress balls, stickers or small reward items

RETIREMENT CELEBRATION FOR CAROL KENNEDY ON AUGUST 10 will be here before we know it. In celebration of Carol's long and devoted service to our church, we will host a **potluck luncheon on Sunday, August 10th**, immediately following the service. Beef BBQ and drinks will be provided. You are welcome to bring your favorite side or dessert to share. **Donations to cover the costs of the celebration and a gift for Carol may be given in the office to Paula Fultz or given to Diana Valentine or Amy Boughter directly or in their mailbox.** *Cash is preferred, but if you write a check, please make it payable to Amy Boughter.* There are plain envelopes available in Amy's mailbox. Place your donation in an envelope; mark it “Carol's Retirement,” seal it and return it as noted above. We have been blessed by Carol's dedication and love to our church family and would love to place a bench in her honor in the proposed Memorial Garden as well as providing a gift for Carol personally. There is also be a box in the church hallway to drop off cards/notes thanking Carol for her service. Thank you for joining us for the meal and for any gifts you choose to contribute.

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.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED on Wednesday, July 30, 2025, at 5PM to help move furniture and items to our new neighbor's house at 955 Fruitville Pike. Loading will begin at Faith, and trucks are also needed. This marks an important step in welcoming our new family to the area. We have been blessed that several families have donated furniture and household items. **We are still looking for 2 twin beds, dining room table and dressers. We are looking for volunteers to help us move furniture to the house which is only several miles up Fruitville Pike on Wednesday evening, July 30, 2025.** If 5PM is a bit too early please join us when you are able. Please let Diane Black know as soon as possible if you could lend us a few hours of your time on July 30th. Her email is dnewcomer48@gmail.com

SPAGHETTI DINNER on Sunday, August 17 from Noon - 1:00PM (Dine In or Take Out) and again from 4 - 6:00PM (Take Out Only). What is better than a sunny summer Sunday? A sunny summer Sunday spaghetti dinner where Faith takes the stress out of Sunday meal planning. We will be hosting a spaghetti dinner at two different times during the day. **The dinner includes spaghetti (gluten free or regular as well as meat and meatless sauce options), salad, bread and dessert.** Walk-ins are welcome while supplies last, however, *people are encouraged to pre-order* by calling the church at 717-560-0321 or through email at Faithumc@hotmail.com. You can also sign up on the sheet in the church hallway.

There is no set price for the dinners. Your donation will support the ministries of the church. You can pay by check, cash or credit when you pick up your meal. Online payments can be completed on the church web site: www.Faithumc.us. Please click [Online Giving](#) site. Be sure to choose "Spaghetti Dinner" on that giving site. **Donations of supplies and volunteers will be needed. Sign-up sheets and pre-order sheets are out on the table.**

ONGOING EVENTS:

Sundays	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
1st Sundays	Nar-Anon, 7:15-8:45PM at Faith UMC
1st & 3rd Tuesdays	Worship Team Practice, 6:45PM
Wednesdays	POWER Criminal Justice Reform Team by Zoom, Noon
Every Other Wednesday	Women’s Lunch at Oregon Dairy, 11:30AM
1st Wednesdays	Wing and a Prayer AA Meeting in the Fellowship Hall, 10AM
Thursdays	Staff Parish Relations Committee (SPRC), 6PM
1st Thursdays	Finance Team, 6PM
2nd Thursdays	Men’s Lunch at Oregon Dairy, 11:30AM
3rd Thursdays	Church and Society Team (CST) by Zoom, 5PM
3rd Thursdays	Trustees (on even months) // Church Council (on odd months), 6PM
4th Thursdays	Bible Study, 10AM in the Adult Classroom at Faith UMC
Fridays	Threads of Faith, 10AM
1st Saturdays	

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Sunday, July 27	Adult Sunday School, 9AM Worship, 10:30AM Junior Church during 10:30AM worship Youth Group, 5-7PM
Wednesday, July 30	Volunteers for furniture moving 5PM Choir Practice, 6:45PM
Thursday, July 31	Church Council, 6PM
Saturday, August 2	Threads of Faith 10AM-12PM

WORSHIP LEADERS for Next Sunday, August 3

GREETERS: Lisa Baker & Marilyn Jones
USHERS: Lisa Baker, Jake Ruhl & Allen Kennedy
LITURGIST: Bob Rodgers
CHILDREN’S TIME: Amy Boughter
JUNIOR CHURCH: Erich Byers and Carol Kennedy
NURSERY: Gwen Newell
YOUTH GROUP: Pastor Jason, Pastor Ian Solodky & Bryan Nelson *(SIGN UP TO PREPARE A MEAL)*