

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 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 & heart issues
Kole – brain tumor needs further treatment
Kathy Oberholtzer’s mother & family concerns
Sandy Patschke – health
Baker & Nelson transitions into new homes
Elijah Hoffman for broken femur
Dale Jackman for Surgery
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
Tyler’s Nanny & Aunt Karen for safe travels
Family & friends of McKenna Rose Gardner (inc.
Pastor Shannon & Ginger Weaver) on her death
Bob Black – for healing of lung infection
John Dwyer family on his death
Randy White in hospice

OUR PRAISES:

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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Faith United Methodist Church



August 17, 2025 at 10:30AM – 10th Sunday after Pentecost

WELCOME: We come together to worship the Creator God who spoke all things into existence, whose Spirit fills us and invites us into righteous and loving relationship, and who came among us in human flesh as Jesus the Rabbi and Savior. You are welcome to engage with us and our loving God 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 **Michelle Bame**

***CALL TO WORSHIP** **Michelle Bame & God’s People**
Children of God, for the sake of the joy, we gather...
We gather to worship, to encounter grace, to grow in faith.
For the sake of the joy, we proclaim...
We proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ, the love of God that surrounds us and forms us into a community marked by love for God, self, neighbor, and all creation.
For the sake of the joy, we respond...
We respond with our lives, ready to embody our faith as agents of God’s already-and-not-yet kingdom.
For the sake of the joy, God sends us...
God sends us into the world to meet our neighbors with the defiant joy and persevering love of the gospel today and every day.
Come, let us worship the Triune God who dwells with us as we gather, proclaim, respond, and go forth from this place.
Come, let us worship! Thanks be to God. Amen..

Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, February 2024

***HYMN** **UMH #575**
Onward Christian Soldiers

SCRIPTURE LESSON **Lisa Baker**
Ephesians 6:10-18
This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!

CHILDREN’S TIME **Michelle Bame**

***HYMN** **UMH #514**
Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus

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

***HYMN** **UMH #723**
Shall We Gather at the River

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

SERMON **Dr. Brenda Ingram-Wallace**
Survival Instructions

BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH **Michelle Bame**
***HYMN** *Amazing Grace, My Chains are Gone*

*** 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

WE WELCOME DR. BRENDA INGRAM-WALLACE AS OUR GUEST PREACHER THIS SUNDAY. She is a Professor of Psychology, Associate Vice President for Advocacy and Full Participation at Albright College, Director of Counseling Services, Gable Health and Counseling Center, Director of the Black Cultural Collection and Resource Center and a dynamic preacher/teacher. She and her husband, The Rev. Quentin Wallace, are the parents of four wonderful children. Pastor Quentin serves at Lincoln Park Community UMC in Reading, PA.

OFFICE COMMUNICATIONS: Office Admin, Paula Fultz, 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.*

PASTOR JASON ON VACATION: Pastor Jason will be on vacation from Sunday, August 10 after Worship through August 17th. If you have any pastoral care needs during that time, please contact Paula in the church office during regular hours or Lay Leader Michelle Bame (717-537-5064). They will have contact information for local pastors who can provide support.

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.* **Children who are 4 years old-4th grade should stay in the service until after the Children’s Message during the worship service.** After worship, you will sign your children out in their classrooms in the Education Wing—except on the First Sundays when children will be brought to the Sanctuary as Communion begins.

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 until August 31. 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.** **TONIGHT, AUGUST 17 Youth will help with the Spaghetti Dinner from 4-6PM followed by regular youth group until 7PM. RSVP to Pastor Jason.**

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>. Contact Renee Norman for more info. The **Criminal Justice & Bail Reform Team** meets at Noon every other Wed. (*Next meeting: Aug 20*) <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82483314676?pwd=K2ZtZGQ0LzBOelVlVlXQwUk5LR2VFQT09>.

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.*

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.***

SALEM’S LITTLE FREE PANTRY: We are excited to announce that Faith UMC will be partnering with Salem Lutheran of Kissel Hill, the home church of Paula Fultz (our Office Administrator). We will help them provide groceries to families in need. Stay tuned for details on this wonderful opportunity to support our neighbors and community.

FINANCIAL UPDATE: We have a balanced budget as we wrap up summer! As of July 31, we have received \$105,712 in offerings, fundraising proceeds, & special donations. **Our expenses were \$106,049.** That **difference is only -\$337. 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.*



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.**

WEST DISTRICT DAY AT GRETNA GLEN on Saturday, September 6, 2025 from 10:30 AM-3:00 PM
This is a time for our West District United Methodist community to gather for fun and fellowship. Laity, clergy, family, and friends of folks from the EPAUMC West District are all welcome to join us at Gretna Glen Camp! **Come when you can. Leave when you have to. The address is 87 Old Mine Road, Lebanon, PA 17042.**

We will worship together, enjoy lunch, and then have a variety of optional camp activities for all ages (boating, fishing, singing, crafts, plunger-chucking, etc....or just sit and visit awhile). We will have golf carts available to shuttle people, as needed. We want everyone to be able to participate. There is a good-sized parking lot, but carpooling might be helpful. **On the day of the event, we will be accepting donations to support scholarships to Gretna Glen Retreats and Events via cash, check, or electronic giving. This event, however, is a free gift to all that attend.** You will be able to register at <https://member.gnjumc.org/default.aspx?page=3352&occurrenceId=848&profileId=1655> so that we can plan for food and staffing for the event. **You can also sign up in Hallway and Pastor Jason will register our church as a group. If you sign up on the sheet in the hallway you DO NOT need to register online. If you register online, you DO NOT need to sign up in the hallway.**

OREGON COMMUNITY UMC COMMUNITY DAY on Sat., Sept 13 from 10AM-2PM (1214 Creek Road, Lititz, PA by the Oregon Dairy). We will be selling Chicken BBQ, hotdogs, and baked goods. There will be a free bounce house, yard games, face painting and music. This is a fun free event for the whole family!!

TRIVIA NIGHT COMPETITION at OCUMC on Saturday, October 25 from 6PM-8PM. You can come out and bring a team with you to compete at answering trivia questions created by Pastor Jason. The team that earns the most points after 4 rounds will get the prize. Everyone is welcome. There is no cost to play, but we will have hotdogs, pizza and drinks to sell for dinner/snacks. A sign-up sheet for teams will be available as we get closer. Challenge your friends, family and coworkers to come and compete with you or against you!

HOLIDAY CRAFT BAZAAR at OCUMC on Saturday, November 15 from 8AM – 1PM. Please mark this on your calendar. Vendors can rent a table to sell craft items in the Fellowship Hall. Sign up for a table if you are interested—and invite your friends and colleagues to do so—by calling Joetta at 717-371-0112.

DRESSERS NEEDED: If you or anyone you know has a gently used dresser(s) that you would like to donate, please send a photo of the dresser to Diane Black at dnewcomer48@gmail.com or text the photo to her cell 717-682-0510. She will let you know if the need for the dressers still exists and pickup arrangements.

THANK YOU to everyone who participated in my retirement celebration with your attendance, gifts, cards, kind words, & food. I felt appreciated and surrounded by love. This church and its members, past & present, will always hold a special place in my heart. The bench in my honor is a lasting reminder of all we have done in ministry together. I look forward to serving with you together in the future. Thank you again for a special day! Carol

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.**

FOOD ALLERGIES OR SENSITIVITIES? We will placards on dishes during our meals to identify ingredients that may cause reactions to people who grace our tables. If you are bringing dishes to events in the future, please help us by being prepared to identify ingredients that may be allergens.

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, August 17	Adult Sunday School, 9AM Worship, 10:30AM, Junior Church during 10:30AM worship Youth Group, 5-7PM Spaghetti Dinner Noon-1PM dine in or take out, 4-6PM take out only Fellowship Hall in Use for Welcome to New Neighbors, 6-7:30PM Choir Practice, 6:45PM
Wednesday, August 20	Men’s Lunch 11:30PM at Oregon Dairy
Thursday, August 21	CST via Zoom 5PM

WORSHIP LEADERS for Next Sunday, August 24

GREETERS: Jake Ruhl & Allen Kennedy
USHERS: Jake Ruhl & Allen Kennedy
LITURGIST: Tim Patschke
CHILDREN’S TIME: Michelle Bame
JUNIOR CHURCH: Lisa Baker & Carol Kennedy
NURSERY: Julie Perkowski
YOUTH GROUP: Pastor Jason, Pastor Ian Solodky & Bryan Nelson **(SIGN UP TO PREPARE A MEAL)**