

PRAYER REQUESTS:

OUR CONCERNS:

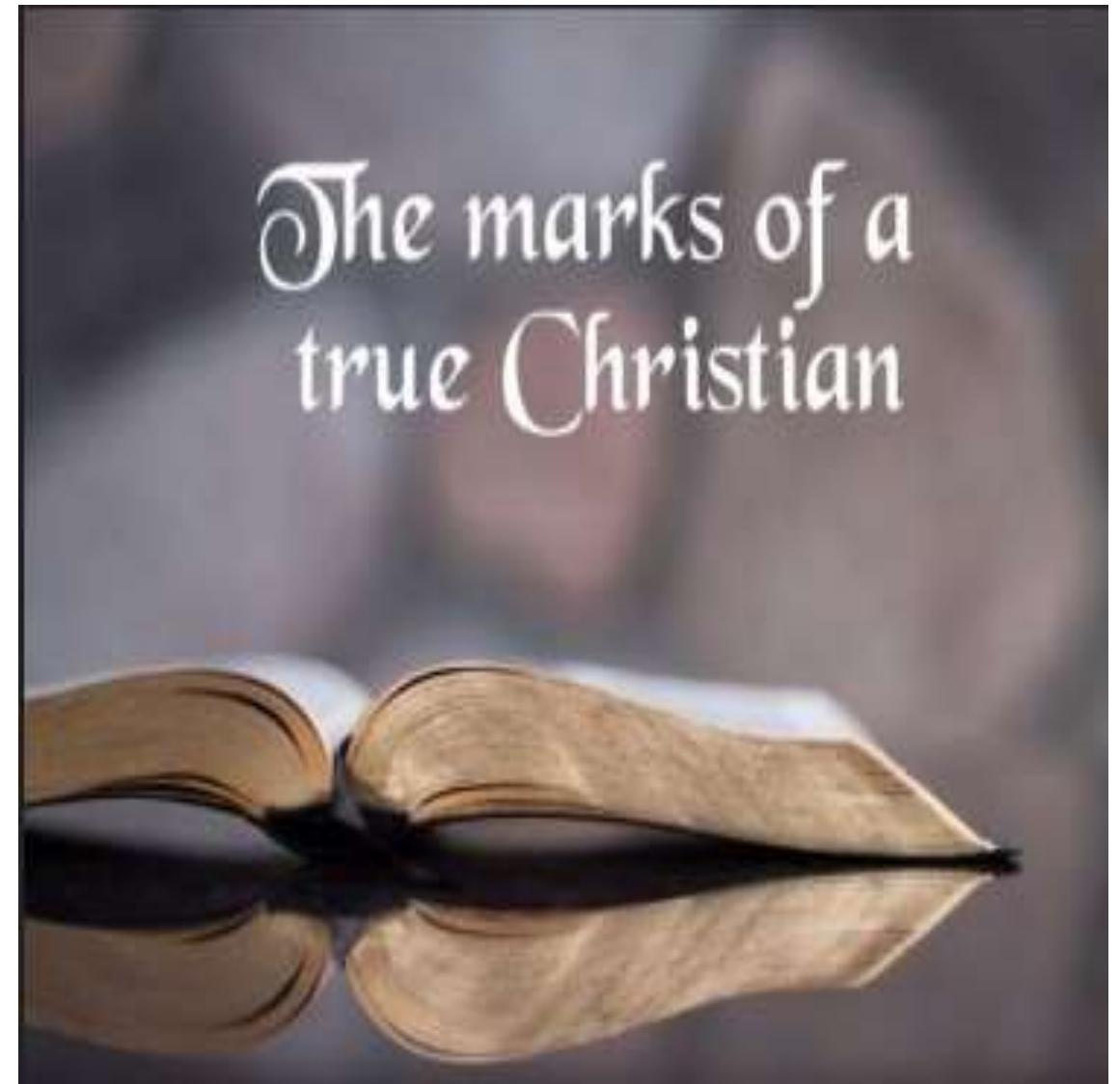
Bishop Moore-KoiKoi, DS Freymoyer & EPA
Staff as they travel in South Korea
Laity and Clergy of the UMC
Unity & love in the church universal & the UMC
Healing & peace for divisions over race, class,
gender, sexuality, politics & fears
Wisdom & safety for government officials globally
President Donald 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, amental
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
Mary Shenk for Alzheimer’s
Alfredo Vega, Jr – safety while on active duty
Mike Loechner healing from seizures
Loechner’s health and car accident
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
Michael - housing insecurity and addictions
Diana Allia – heart condition
Members currently in jail or returning home
Garnett K. for health & balance issues
Garnett’s daughter Kimberly Ann Wenger
Families dealing with custody arrangements
Melodie Dearolf for healing of back and leg pain
Sebastian for start of rehab
Oberholzer’s granddaughter Danielle in need of a car
Bob Black – lung cancer
All those affected by violence and hate
Mary Ann Unangst for healing and strength
Peace for those dealing with anxiety and stress
Unity in the midst of differences of opinions and
wisdom to recognize opinions versus absolutes
Bob Zimmerman’s family on his passing
Rachel Lindemuth’s family on her passing
Randy White’s family on his passing
Shirley Gehr for health and heart issues

OUR PRAISES:

Carter & Ramonita found an apartment
Bob Miller recovery from hip replacement
All who are healing from various surgeries
New members and guests in worship
Church leaders gathering to hear God’s vision for us
***Please submit prayer needs, praises, & updates by
note or email to the office: faithumc@hotmail.com***



Welcome

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October 5, 2025 at 10:30AM – 17th 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 worshiping online, please ‘sign in’ and add prayer requests by commenting on the video.

GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTSMichelle Bame

***CALL TO WORSHIP**
Destruction and violence are everywhere; strife and contention are all around
The needs of the world are so great; O Lord, increase our faith.
The law is slack, and justice does not prevail.
The needs of the world are so great; O Lord, increase our faith.
How many threats surround us; warfare, homelessness, loneliness, loss.
The needs of the world are so great, but you, O God, are greater still – the One in whom all things are possible. O Lord, increase our faith in you!
Feasting on the Word, Worship Companion, Liturgies for Year C, Vol. 2, Kimberly Bracken Long, ed. WJK Press, 2013, 193.

Michelle Bame & God’s People

***HYMN**
The Church’s One Foundation

UMH #545

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

Daryl Hawthorne

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

Michelle Bame
UMH #95

CHILDREN’S TIME

Amy Boughter

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

Michelle Bame

***HYMN**
Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty

UMH #64

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

The Rev. Sally Ott

SERMON
Marks of the True Christian

The Rev. Sally Ott

COMMUNION: The feast of Christ our Lord is spread before our eyes and He himself is present.
In company with all believers in every time & place, we come to this table to know Him in the breaking of bread.
Open your hearts. **We are open for thanks**
We thank you Lord God for your saving work for becoming a man in Jesus of Nazareth and revealing yourself in Jesus the Christ, who sacrificed himself to bear the wrongs of humanity and offered us the life he gave.
We open ourselves, our hearts, and our minds to the mystery of this meal that unites us with our brothers and sisters so that through the life you offer we may live our lives for others.
He rules with us. He lives with us. He celebrates with us today in the feast of life and love.
For this we cry “Glory!” Amen. Amen. AMEN!

COMMUNION AT THE LORD’S TABLE
***HYMN**
***HYMN**

For the Bread Which You Have Broken
Let Us Break Bread Together

The Rev. Sally Ott
UMH #614
UMH #618

We give thanks, Almighty God, that you have refreshed us at your table by granting us the presence of your Son, Jesus the Christ. **Strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another, & send us forth into the world in courage and peace, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit, through Jesus the Christ our Lord. Amen.**

BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH
***HYMN**

Sent Forth by God’s Blessing

The Rev. Sally Ott
UMH #664

*** 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 THE REV. SALLY OTT AS OUR GUEST PREACHER TODAY. Rev. Ott has served as Pastor of Visitation and Outreach at Covenant UMC in Lancaster since Oct. 1, 2013. Prior to this, she served for 20 years as Executive Director of LUMINA which is God’s Mission in Lancaster County. Her variety of experiences has also included serving part-time as Pastor of Newtown UMC from January 2017 through June 2018. She enjoys supply preaching when asked and is honored to bring us God’s Word for today.

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.*

PASTOR JASON IS ON VACATION from Thursday, October 2 through Saturday, October 11. 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 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. **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. NO BIBLE STUDY ON OCTOBER 3. WE WILL MEET WITH PASTOR JASON ON OCTOBER 10.

PUZZLE PALOOZA! DO YOU LOVE JIGSAW PUZZLES? Join us at Faith UMC on **Saturday, Oct 11, 2025 from 10AM-11:30AM.** If you are a puzzle enthusiast, jump onto Faith's Online Giving link and pre-register your 1–4 member team for this fast-paced event! Twenty teams will vie to be crowned the Palooza champion by completing a 500-piece puzzle in the fastest amount of time. Doors open up at 9:45PM for a puzzle swap. The cost is \$40.00 per team and must be paid at the time of pre-registration. Pre-register now via our "Online Giving" link at www.faithumc.us. Be sure to choose "Register Now" under "Puzzle Palooza" on the online giving site. It will then ask you to enter the name of a contact person for the team along with their email and phone number in case we need to contact you ahead of the event. *To join with another team or if you have questions about the event, please contact Gwen at 717-696-5321 or the church office.*

THE CHURCH & SOCIETY TEAM (CST) engages in improving our community by standing up against injustice. **Next meeting: October 16 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: Oct 15*) <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82483314676?pwd=K2ZtZGQ0LzBOeIVlVXQwUk5LR2VFQT09>.

TRIVIA NIGHT COMPETITION at OCUMC on Friday, October 24 from 6-8PM. 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 earn a prize. Everyone is welcome. **FREE 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!

TRUNK OR TREAT on Saturday, October 25th from 5:00PM to 7:00PM. Bring your kids to wear their costumes, get treats at each vehicle decorated and offering candy in the parking lot, and enjoy some crafts and games. We will be offering one free meal ticket to each person to include a hot dog, bag of chips and a drink. Additional food will be available for purchase at a low cost. We are asking for volunteers to decorate their trunks and hand out candy. If you are interested in helping, please sign up by October 5th. Volunteers will also be needed for cooking and serving hot dogs, clearing tables and helping with crafts and games. Sign up sheets are in the hall. If you have any questions please reach out to Lisa Baker. We hope to see you here!

COMMUNITY MEAL: People in need may pick up a **Grab ‘n Go Meal at Zion Lutheran** in East Pete every Monday. **Faith UMC provides sixty meals quarterly.** Our next date is Oct 27. *Preparation is Oct 26 at 11:45AM, and 9:30AM for packaging on October 27. Contact Carol for more information.*

CHARGE CONFERENCE on Wednesday, November 5 at 6:30PM at Faith UMC. Our Charge Conference for Faith and Oregon Community UMC will be a joint charge conference at Faith UMC. Everyone is invited to join us as we report on and celebrate our ministries, complete official annual documentation, and learn about upcoming District and Conference opportunities. All members of Church Council are expected to attend. **All Charge Conference Forms/Reports were due in Arena by September 30, 2025.**

HOLIDAY CRAFT BAZAAR at OCUMC on Sat., Nov. 15 from 8AM – 1PM. Vendors can rent a table to sell craft items in the Fellowship Hall. To reserve a table call Joetta at 717-371-0112. Be sure to invite your friends.

FINANCIAL UPDATE: *As we head into the final quarter of the year, we are now about \$2,500 behind when comparing income and expenses for the year. If you have gotten behind in your planned giving, we encourage you to consider ways to close that gap. Thank you for your generosity!!* We still 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.



THREADS OF FAITH: If you like to knit, sew, crochet or quilt, Faith UMC would like to invite you to Threads of Faith! Whether you are experienced or just learning, you are welcome to 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 or start a new one while we chat and share talents in our brightly lit, spacious Fellowship Hall with plenty of outlets! **Next meeting is November 1.**

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.*

SALEM’S LITTLE FREE PANTRY: Salem’s Little Free Pantry is in need of canned tuna and chicken noodle soup. You can donate this in the box in the hallway. Anyone in need – at any hour of the day or night – can come and get groceries from this outdoor pantry located on the porch at Salem Lutheran, 26 Owl Hill Rd, Lititz.

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 Nar-Anon, 7:15-8:45PM at Faith UMC Bible Study with Kathy, 6PM (STARTING SOON) Bible2School, 10:20AM-Noon Bible2School, 10:20AM-1:20PM 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 Girl Scouts once a month, 5PM-6:30PM 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, 10AM in the Adult Classroom at Faith UMC Threads of Faith, 10AM
1st Sundays 1st & 3rd Tuesdays Tuesdays Tuesdays Wednesdays Wednesdays Every Other Wednesday 1st Wednesdays Thursdays Thursdays 1st Thursdays 2nd Thursdays 3rd Thursdays 3rd Thursdays 4th Thursdays Fridays 1st Saturdays	

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Saturday, October 11 Thursday, October 23 Friday, October 24 Saturday, October 25	Puzzle Palooza 10AM-11:30AM Girl Scouts, 5PM-6:30PM OCUMC Trivia Night, 6PM-8PM Celebration of Life for Alan Strait, 1PM Visitation and 2PM Service Trunk or Treat, 5-7PM Zion Grab ‘n Go 11:45AM meal prep at FUMC FUMC to provide Grab & Go Meal at Zion East Pete, packaging 9:30AM Charge Conference at Faith UMC w/ OCUMC, 6:30PM Hanging of the Greens, after Worship Thanksgiving Eve service at OCUMC 7PM Breakfast with Santa & Cookie Sale, 8AM-10:30AM
Sunday, October 26 Monday, October 27 Wednesday, Nov 5 Sunday, Nov 23 Wednesday, Nov 26 Saturday, December 13	

WORSHIP LEADERS for Next Sunday, October 12

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Michelle Bame
GREETERS: Daryl Hawthorne & Leon Bame
USHERS: Daryl Hawthorne & Leon Bame
LITURGIST: Bob Rodgers
CHILDREN’S TIME: Michelle Bame
JUNIOR CHURCH: Lisa Baker & Marilyn Jones
NURSERY: Gwen Newell
YOUTH GROUP: Pastor Jason, Pastor Ian Solodky & Bryan Nelson