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, mental

health illnesses, anxiety and stress 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

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

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

Shirley Gehr for health and heart issues

Pastor Ian Solodky for knee injury

Youth group members with sprains and injuries

Jake's friend Carol for fall

Little girl with Lyme disease symptoms

Joy Lane, sister of Wayne Dearolf for mass detected Daryl for possible knee replacement

OUR PRAISES:

Weddings taking place this weekend 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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Faith United Methodist Church



October 19, 2025 at 10:30AM – 19th Sunday after Pentecost

ELCOME: 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 & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*HYMN

*BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH

* You are invited to stand in body or in Spirit

Terry Kofroth

UMH #408

Pastor Jason

*CALL TO WORSHIP
We have gathered once again, Lord of all and Lord of us.

We come to lift our prayers, and to sing your praises once again.

We come to ask and hope and long to see your justice in the land.

We worship in that hope and will work in that Spirit.

Derek Weber, March 2025

Terry Kofroth & God's People

*HYMN	Thy Word is a Lamp	UMH #601
SCRIPTURE LESSON	Jeremiah 31:27-34 This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!	Tim Patschke
CHILDREN'S TIME		Pastor Jason
*HYMN	Here I Am Lord	UMH #593
SCRIPTURE LESSON	Psalm 119:97-104 This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!	Tim Patschke
THE PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER		UMH #895
*HYMN	Sweet Hour of Prayer	UMH #496
SCRIPTURE LESSON	2 Timothy 3:14-4:5 This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!	Tim Patschke
OUR OFFERINGS: OF PI *DOXOLOGY	RAYERS, PRESENCE, GIFTS, SERVICE & WITNESS Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow	Pastor Jason UMH #95
SCRIPTURE LESSON	Luke 18:1-8 This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!	Tim Patschke
SERMON	Persistent Faith	Pastor Jason

The Gift of Love

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.*

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. Please sign up on the sheet in the hallway if you are willing to provide a meal.

TUESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY WITH KATHY "Meet Yourself in the Psalms" 6PM-7:30PM starting on October 21. This is a Bible Study reading through some of the Psalms to explore how to pray more holistically.

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: November 20 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 29) https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82483314676?pwd=K2ZtZGQ0LzBOelVIVXQwUk5LR2VFQT09.

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. Kids are invited to wear their costumes, stop by all of the decorated vehicles to get candy in the parking lot, and enjoy some crafts and games. We will be offering one free meal ticket to each person for a hot dog, bag of chips and a drink. Additional food will be available for purchase at a low cost. **We are seeking volunteers to decorate their car trunks and hand out candy—as well as to cook and serve hot dogs, clear tables or help with crafts and games.** Sign up sheets are in the hallway or call Lisa Baker at 717-615-6707. 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 ehecks 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. This month we will start at 9am to allow time to also help create some of the craft items for the Elf Shelf.**

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY: On November 2, we would like to honor all of our loved ones that have passed away since last year. VETERANS DAY: On November 9 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 27 / Nov 3). 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.

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 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.

LOVING CAT SEEKS A NEW FOREVER HOME: Due to the owner's declining health, Sunday is looking for a new owner to love and care for him. He is a grey and white striped cat about 13 years old. For more information, please call 717-468-2998.

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

1st Sundays Communion offered during worship service, followed by refreshments

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

Tuesdays Bible Study with Kathy, 6PM (STARTING October 21)

Tuesdays
Wednesdays
Bible2School, 10:20AM-Noon
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Worship Team Practice, 6:45PM

Every Other Wednesday POWER Criminal Justice Reform Team by Zoom, Noon

1st Wednesdays Women's Lunch at Oregon Dairy, 11:30AM

Thursdays Wing and a Prayer AA Meeting in the Fellowship Hall, 10AM

Thursdays Girl Scouts once a month, 5PM-6:30PM

1st Thursdays Staff Parish Relations Committee (SPRC), 6PM

2nd Thursdays Finance Team, 6PM

3rd Thursdays Men's Lunch at Oregon Dairy, 11:30AM

3rd Thursdays Church and Society Team (CST) by Zoom, 5PM

4th Thursdays Trustees (on even months) // Church Council (on odd months), 6PM

Fridays Bible Study, 10AM in the Adult Classroom at Faith UMC

1st Saturdays Threads of Faith, 10AM

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Tuesday, October 21 Bible Study with Kathy, 6-7:30PM

Thursday, October 23 Girl Scouts, 5PM-6:30PM

Friday, October 24 OCUMC Trivia Night, 6PM-8PM

Saturday, October 25 Celebration of Life for Alan Strait, 1PM Visitation and 2PM Service

Trunk or Treat, 5-7PM

Sunday, October 26 Zion Grab 'n Go 11:45AM meal prep at FUMC

Monday, October 27 FUMC to provide Grab & Go Meal at Zion East Pete, packaging 9:30AM

Saturday, Nov 1 Threads of Faith (10AM) and Elf Shelf Crafting (9AM) Wednesday, Nov 5 Charge Conference at Faith UMC w/ OCUMC, 6:30PM

Saturday, Nov 15 Holiday Craft Bazaar at OCUMC 8AM-1PM

Sunday, Nov 23 Hanging of the Greens, after Worship Wednesday, Nov 26 Thanksgiving Eve service at OCUMC 7PM

Saturday, December 13 Breakfast with Santa & Cookie Sale, 8AM-10:30AM

WORSHIP LEADERS for Next Sunday, October 26

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Michelle Bame GREETERS: Tim & Sandy Patschke USHERS: Tim & Sandy Patschke LITURGIST: Michelle Bame

CHILDREN'S TIME: Michelle Bame

JUNIOR CHURCH: Erich Byers & Julie Perkowski

NURSERY: Ann Byers

YOUTH GROUP: Pastor Jason, Pastor Ian Solodky & Bryan Nelson