

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**CHURCH COUNCIL:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays of ODD numbered months (July 17 and Sept. 18) at 6:30PM

**CHURCH CLEANING/WORKDAYS:** 2nd Saturdays (July 12 & August 9) from 9-11AM

**OREGON COMMUNITY UMC ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL at 8 AM**

**YOUTH GROUP ON SUNDAYS, 5-7PM** for 5th-12th graders. 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. During summer, the rising 5<sup>th</sup> graders begin attending Youth Group and graduates may still attend. While Pastor Jason is away Pastor Ian Solodky and Bryan Nelson will lead youth group. *No Youth Group on July 6 so you can celebrate Independence Day. (WE NEED PEOPLE TO SIGN UP FOR THE MEAL FOR JULY 13)***

**GRIEFSHARE** helps people process the loss of loved ones and to find support from peers. **June 9 was our last session until the Fall. Let Pastor know if you are interested in attending the next series.**

**FRIDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY AT 10AM** in the Adult Classroom in Education Wing: While Pastor Jason is away, Bible Study will be lead by John Rice.

**THREADS OF FAITH:** If you like to knit, sew, crochet or quilt **join us at Faith UMC from 10am - Noon the first Saturday of each month** for a time of fellowship and crafting! Bring your supplies and join us **August 2**.

**THE CHURCH & SOCIETY TEAM (CST)** engages in improving our community by standing up against injustice. **Next meeting: July 17 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. **(Next meeting is not until July 16 due to vacations)** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82483314676?pwd=K2ZtZGQ0LzBOeIVlVXQwUk5LR2VFQT09>.

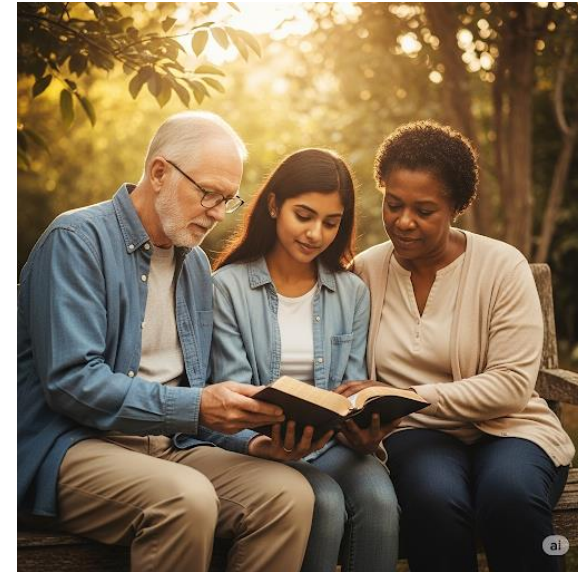
**CALLING ALL KIDS AGES 4-10!!! Vacation Bible School is July 21-25 from 6-8PM.** This year we are going on a Road Trip! Our Travelers will discover how they can trust that God is with them in all kinds of situations and know that God is always with us as we share the good news of Jesus with the world. Come and join us for a fun-filled week of skits, games, music, crafts, and snacks. Sign up now by using this link: <https://faithumclititz.mycokesburyvbs.com/>, or visit our website and click the link in the events section. We can't wait to see you here!

**ADULTS AND YOUTH ARE INVITED TO JOIN US ON OUR VBS ROAD TRIP!** Volunteers are needed to co-lead games, crafts, & snacks. You could be a puppeteer or lead a skit, provide childcare, lead a group, help decorate, and more! There are so many ways to help! Although we would love to have you here every evening July 21-25, we would appreciate any time you can give. There is a paper with brief job descriptions next to the signup sheet in the hall or go to <https://faithumclititz.mycokesburyvbs.com/> or contact Carol Kennedy for opportunities to serve, lead, & have fun with children from our church and the community!

**IMPACT! MISSIONS** helps create warm, safe, and dry homes to be sold to lower-income families and does repairs on homes for existing homeowners in financial distress. They need volunteers to restore these homes. **Contact Leon Bame for more info at 717-344-9924 or [leonshel37@gmail.com](mailto:leonshel37@gmail.com).** **IMPACT MISSION LUNCH CREW needs volunteers on Thurs. 10AM-Noon to help make bagged lunches for volunteers** at Christ UMC. Contact Sue at [sgrimm1028@gmail.com](mailto:sgrimm1028@gmail.com) or 717-575-6414.

**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.* **Monday, July 7 we will serve the Bag 'n Go Lunch at Zion at 11AM. Prep is at 9:30AM at Faith.**

# Welcome to Oregon Community United Methodist Church



**Address:** 1214 Creek Road, Lititz, PA 17543

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Mission of Oregon Community United Methodist Church:  
**“Making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation  
of our community and the world.”**

**SUNDAY WORSHIP** in Sanctuary at 9:00 AM at Oregon Community UMC  
**BROADCAST ONLINE** at 10:30 AM from Faith UMC on Facebook  
& church websites under *Online Worship*.

**OFFICE HOURS:** Pastor Jason is generally available Mon-Thurs from about 10-5pm—but has various meetings throughout the week. Call to make an appointment. He spends time with family from Friday at Noon through Saturday. If there is an emergency, please leave a detailed message.



# Oregon Community United Methodist Church

July 6, 2025 at 9:00 AM – 4<sup>th</sup> 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!

**GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS** **Bob Jolly**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** **Bob Jolly & God’s People**  
What do we have to boast about? **The cross of our Lord Jesus Christ.**  
And what does this cross mean for us? **Everything is a new creation.**  
As we are being re-created and our stories are being guided by God may we testify to his good news.  
**May we tell the stories of Jesus and the stories of Jesus revealed in our own lives!**

**\*HYMN** *Tell Me the Stories of Jesus* **UMH #277**

**THE PRAYERS OF GOD’S PEOPLE** **Bob Jolly**

**\*HYMN** *I Love to Tell the Story* **UMH #156**

**SCRIPTURE LESSON** **2 Timothy 3:14-4:5** **Bob Jolly**  
*This is the Word of the Lord — **Thanks be to God!***

**SERMON** *What’s Your Story?* **The Rev. Richard Rimert**

**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** **The Rev. Richard Rimert**  
**\*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** *One Bread, One Body* **UMH #620**  
**\*HYMN** *This Is a Day of New Beginnings* **UMH #383**

**BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH** **The Rev. Richard Rimert**

**\*HYMN** *Victory in Jesus* **UMH #370**

**\* You are invited to stand in body or in Spirit**

**Pianist:** Jody Wiker **Pastor:** The Rev. Jason Perkowski **Ministers:** The People of God  
**Liturgists:** **July 6** Bob Jolly; **13** Dot Lange; **20** Mike Shifflet; **27** Ralph Stone

**BIRTHDAYS:** **July 14** David Fritsch; **16** Christie Jolly; **21** Al Lange **30** Bob Jolly;  
**ANNIVERSARIES:** **July 4** Anthony and Jody Wiker; **11** Jason and Julie Perkowski

**OUR GUEST PREACHER TODAY IS THE REV. RICHARD RIMERT:** We are grateful for him bringing us the message today. He is a retired United Methodist Pastor who has served various churches across our West District. He and his wife are currently worshipping at Ruhl’s UMC where they were married. They enjoy Longwood Gardens, Hershey Park and time with family. Pastor Rick is also an avid bicyclist.

**PUZZLE PALOOZA! DO YOU LOVE JIGSAW PUZZLES?** Join us at Faith UMC on **Saturday, July 12, 2025 from 1PM-2:30PM.** If you are a puzzle enthusiast, jump onto Faith's Online Giving link and pre-register your 2–4-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 12:15PM 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](http://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, please contact Gwen at 717-696-5321 or the church office.*

**PRAYER REQUESTS:** Dean & Val Cooper for health; Destiny & Kole – brain tumors; those caring for elderly parents—including Julie; **Jackie Black at Paramount Senior Living, Room #206, 2750 Maytown Rd., Maytown, PA 17550;** Jan Berger for health; Kevin’s dialysis and wrist; Paula’s Aunt Emily; friend of Dennis and Mary with cancer; **Leah, healing after car accident;** Katie at CHOP; Kathy, friend of Shifflet’s with cancer; Shelly, bronchitis; Nat (friend of Wikers), cancer; Joanne (Jackie’s sister), scleroderma; Bobbi Ann Stone, healing; Ally Lavery, foot surgery; Gary Sellard, chemotherapy; Bernadine’s friend Betty, healing; Andrew, freedom from addictions; Vince Habel, heart & kidney problems; Shirley Baker and Cheryl Cooper for healing; Patty’s ALS; Jane Hess, healing; Denny Armstrong, kidney failure; Frank & Charlene; Alfred Byrd; all battling cancer; Kathy & Jack Muth; Chuck Flory, ALS; Judy Brivchik. **PRAISES: Aaliyah healing from brain tumor; Rob & Keyonna Boyle expecting a daughter Alizabeth in July;** Shifflet’s friend Valerie with cancer that is now in remission; God’s faithful love. **PRAYERS FOR THE WORLD:** For peace even when we disagree; those affected by deportation; the unemployed & furloughed; Bishop Cynthia Moore-Koikoi; DS Freymoyer & EPAUMC Staff; Laity and Clergy; unity & love in the church; Refugees & immigrants; stability of our government and wisdom for elected leaders in US and worldwide; President Trump and VP Vance; people suffering from environmental disasters; struggles between the GMC and the UMC; school shootings and threats; NarSarah Clinic in Sierra Leone; Udobo School in Durban, South Africa; Christ Home for Children; Blackfeet UMC Parish; the people of Israel, Palestine, the Middle East, Ukraine & Russia; veterans & military service members; police & medical personnel; the sick & caregivers; victims of violence & racism; peace; wisdom & reconciliation; abused persons & abusers; the hungry & homeless; incarcerated; design of new prison and its programs; all struggling with addictions or mental illness; schools; campus ministries; foster families; seniors; those grieving; etc.

**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.**

**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.

**PASTOR JASON ON VACATION:** Pastor Jason is on vacation until July 12. **He will be back to preach next Sunday.** If you have any pastoral care needs during that time, please contact Dot Lange (215) 601-3131 or Bob Jolly (717) 725-9959 & Christie Jolly (717) 368-9995. They will have contact information for local pastors who can provide support.