

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

THREADS OF FAITH is for those who like to knit, sew, crochet or quilt. Join us from 10am - Noon at Faith UMC the first Saturday of each month inc. **Come Dec. 6 at 9AM to help with Elf Shelf Crafts.**

HEALTHY MASCULINITY: Redefining Strength. Saturdays Nov. 15 & Dec. 6 from 3:30PM-5PM at the Lancaster Public Library Board Room. Men can explore how masculinity impacts mental health, relationships, media and more, and build tools for emotional resilience and authentic connection.

HOLIDAY CRAFT BAZAAR at OCUMC on Saturday, November 15 from 8AM – 1PM. 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.

YOUTH GROUP ON SUNDAYS, 5-7PM at Faith UMC for 5th-12th graders. Each week there is dinner, games & a lesson. All students are invited. **Please contact Pastor Jason if you are willing to provide a meal. YOUTH WILL GO TO GRETNA GLEN CAMP on Sunday, Nov. 16. We will meet at Faith UMC at 3:30PM and return by 7PM for parents to pick them up. RSVP in advance so we can plan for transportation. We go to Gretna Glen on the 3rd Sunday of each month (except December).**

HANGING OF THE GREENS: Sun. November 23, after Worship, we will decorate the church for Christmas. Please plan to stay that day to help hang wreaths, decorate the tree, etc.

SALEM'S LITTLE FREE PANTRY is in need of **peanut butter and jelly**. You can donate this in the box in the hallway at Faith UMC. Anyone in need can come at any time to get groceries from this outdoor pantry located on the porch at Salem Lutheran, 26 Owl Hill Rd, Lititz.

NEIGHBORS IN NEED: Two families have sought assistance with groceries. One family of four (mom and 3 children) will be our focus until November 16. The second family of 10 was specifically concerned about Thanksgiving. So after November 16 we will shift our focus to their grocery list and deliver the week of Thanksgiving. Sign-up sheets are at the back of the Sanctuary. Deadline for this family of four is November 16. The family of ten will be from Nov. 16-23. If you have questions, contact Pastor Jason.

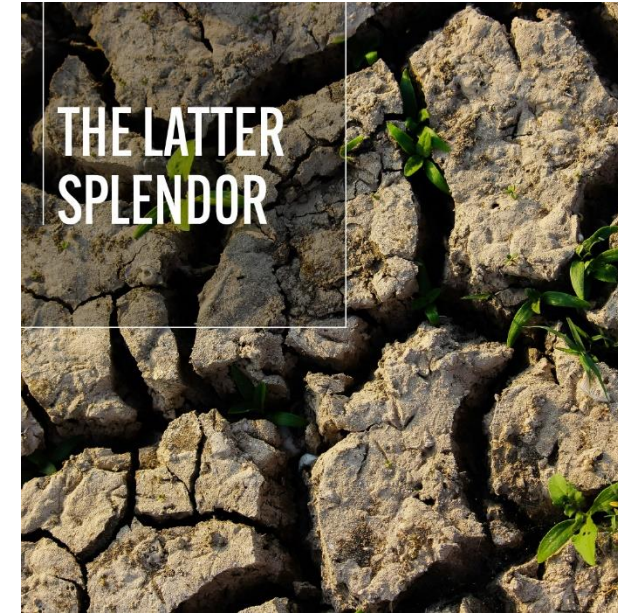
THE CHURCH & SOCIETY TEAM stands up against injustice. **Next meeting: Dec. 18 at 5PM (3rd Thurs)** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82735304374?pwd=eDBSZHRCZVphSnh2TENDZ0xrdG0vQT09>. The **Criminal Justice & Bail Reform Team** meets at Noon every other Wed. **Next meeting: Nov. 12.** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82483314676?pwd=K2ZtZGQ0LzBOelVlVXQwUk5LR2VFQT09>.

OREGON DAIRY SOUP SALE at Faith UMC. All varieties available! Vegetable Beef, Chicken Corn Soup, Tomato Bisque, Creamy Potato Soup, Chicken Corn Noodle and Ham and Bean Soup. **\$12/quart. Pick up is Saturday, November 22nd 10am-12pm at Faith UMC. Soup is available while supplies last.**

CARE PACKAGES FOR MILLERSVILLE STUDENTS: We are continuing our tradition of providing boxes to support college students who are part of The HUB: Millersville University Campus Ministry while they prepare for final exams in Dec. **If you wish to participate**, please donate shoe boxes, Post-it notes, highlighters, travel-size tissues, snack crackers, granola bars, popcorn or hot chocolate mix by **Nov 23 at Faith UMC. We will be packaging items & wrapping the boxes on Nov 30 after worship at Faith UMC.**

SECRET SISTER forms are due by December 7, 2025 for next year. They are available in the back of the Sanctuary. This will be a joint effort between the women of Oregon Community and Faith UMC. Any woman who would like to be a part of encouraging, praying for, and providing small gifts for other women in the church are invited to participate. Stay tuned for the Secret Sister Reveal for those who were part of the OCUMC Secret Sister in 2025.

Welcome to Oregon Community United Methodist Church



Address: 1214 Creek Road, Lititz, PA 17543

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Pastor: The Rev. Jason Perkowski

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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

November 9, 2025 at 9:00 AM – 22nd 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!

GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS **Pastor Jason**

***CALL TO WORSHIP** **Pastor Jason & God’s People**

Even though we don’t always feel it, God is with us.
The darkness and doubt of the world can threaten to consume us.
Yet God is with us. **All around us, there is fear and hopelessness.**
God brings to us hope and peace. We place our trust in God’s abundant love.
Let us freely and without fear open our hearts to God’s healing words of hope. AMEN.
Nancy C. Townley, “Call to Worship 4,” Worship Connection: November 6, 2022, Ministry Matters

***HYMN** *Great Is the Lord* **TFWS #2022**

HONORING OF VETERANS **Pastor Jason**
We thank you all for your service and your selfless love for your neighbors!

SCRIPTURE LESSON **Psalms 145:1-5, 17-21** **Ralph Stone**
This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!

***HYMN** *Trust and Obey* **UMH #467**

SCRIPTURE LESSON **Haggai 1:15b-2:9** **Ralph Stone**
This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!

***HYMN** *Standing on the Promises* **UMH #374**

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

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

SCRIPTURE LESSON **2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17** **Ralph Stone**
This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!

SERMON *The Latter Splendor* **Pastor Jason**

***HYMN** *When We All Get to Heaven* **UMH #701**

***BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH** **Pastor Jason**

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

Pianist: Jody Wiker **Pastor:** The Rev. Jason Perkowski **Ministers:** The People of God
Liturgists: November 2 Mike Shifflet; 9 Ralph Stone; 16 Bob Jolly; 23 Dot Lange 30 Pastor Jason
BIRTHDAYS: November 6 Dean Cooper; 7 Nancy Sims; 13 Jim Garner; 20 Jason Perkowski

PRAYER REQUESTS: Shirley Gehr’s family on her passing; Pastor Ian Solodky for knee injury; Michael Mateer for healing from cancer and other health issues; Dean & Val Cooper for health; those who have lost loved ones; Mary Ann Unangst for healing and strength; those dealing with anxiety and stress; unity in the midst of differences; those caring for elderly parents; Jackie Black at Paramount Senior Living; Shifflet’s neighbor Bob; Katie at CHOP; Nat (friend of Wikers), cancer; Joanne (Jackie’s sister), scleroderma; Bobbi Ann Stone, healing; Vince Habel, heart & kidney problems; Shirley Baker and Cheryl Cooper for healing; Denny Armstrong, kidney failure; & all battling cancer and disease. **PRAISES:** God’s faithful love and grace; those healing from illnesses. **PRAYERS FOR THE WORLD:** All those affected by violence and hate; all those impacted by the budget impasse at the state and federal levels (food, mental health, housing, senior citizens, drug and alcohol counseling, etc.); those killed and injured in shootings in sacred spaces, schools, and colleges; those affected by deportation and immigration policies; the unemployed & furloughed; Bishop Cynthia Moore-Koikoi; DS Freymoyer & EPAUMC Staff; Laity and Clergy; unity & love in the church; 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; NarSarah Clinic in Sierra Leone; Udobo School in Durban, South Africa; Christ Home for Children; Blackfeet UM Parish; the people of Israel, Palestine, the Middle East, Ukraine & Russia; veterans & military service members; police & medical personnel; the sick & caregivers; peace; wisdom & reconciliation; abused persons & abusers; hungry & homeless persons; incarcerated persons and prison staff; design of new prison and its programs; all struggling with addictions or mental illness; schools; foster families; senior citizens; etc.

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.**

COMMUNITY MEAL: People in need may pick up a Grab ‘n Go Meal at Zion Lutheran Church in East Petersburg every Monday. Several churches support this ministry. Faith UMC provides sixty Grab ‘n Go Meals quarterly. Our next date is January 12. Contact Carol Kennedy if you are interested in helping.

CHURCH CLEANING/WORKDAYS: 2nd Saturdays **Next: Dec. 13** from 9-11AM

CHURCH COUNCIL: 3rd Thursdays of ODD numbered months **Next: Nov. 20** at 6:30PM

OREGON COMMUNITY UMC ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL at 8 AM in the Fellowship Hall.

TUESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY WITH KATHY “Meet Yourself in the Psalms” 6PM-7:30PM at Faith UMC. This is a Bible Study reading through Psalms to explore how to pray more holistically.

FRIDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY with Pastor Jason at 10AM in the Faith UMC Adult Classroom

POINSETTIAS AVAILABLE: Help beautify the sanctuary for Christmas by purchasing a poinsettia in memory or honor of someone. You may take your poinsettia home any time after the Christmas Eve service. Order forms are at church. Please return them to Joetta Henry along with payment ASAP.

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Great is the Lord, He is holy and just; By His power we trust In His love.
Great is the Lord, He is faithful and true, By His mercy He proves, He is love.
Great is the Lord, And worthy of glory! Great is the Lord And worthy of praise.
Great is the Lord; Now lift up your voice, Now lift up your voice: Great is the Lord!