

## PRAYER REQUESTS:

### OUR CONCERNS:

Wisdom & safety for government officials globally  
President Joe Biden and VP Kamala Harris  
Veterans and Service Members  
Civilians, leaders, and soldiers in war torn regions  
For peace & wisdom in areas of conflict  
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  
Healing & peace for divisions caused by race, class, gender, sexuality, politics & fears  
All affected by natural disasters, esp. Syria & Turkey  
Stewardship of our environment & climate  
Eradication of deadly diseases—incl. COVID-19  
Refugees & huddled masses yearning to be free  
Security and immigration reform  
People who are hungry and unhoused  
Prisoners, Prison Leadership & Judges  
Cash Bail and Prison Reform  
Schools, education and foster care reform  
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  
Bishop Schol, DS Freymoyer & EPAUMC Staff  
Laity and Clergy of the UMC  
The UMC, Conference Delegates and Bishops as we find our way forward in the Holy Spirit  
Rev. Dorcas, her eyes & ministries in Sierra Leone  
Udobo School in Durban, South Africa  
Campus Ministries  
Dottie Sheaffer – healing for back & eyes  
Eileen Williams – muscles  
Bradley McGowan – ALS  
Linda Philbin – motor neuropathy  
Rosemary (Marilyn Jones' sister) – healing  
Michelle Rathvon Mitterer – healing from strokes  
Chuck Flory – ALS  
Annette McClarigan – health, sons & family  
Jean Neideigh – healing (MS)  
Gene Onest – health issues  
Don Campbell – health  
Terry Kofroth – healing  
Angela, Maria and Becky – to be healthy & thrive  
Izabel, Oaklee, Carson, Matthew & their parents

Those with cancer: Cyndi Campbell, Dean Grove, Mark Reitzel, Kerry Link and her father-in-law, Joe, John Rathvon, Duane Lehman, Lori, Barb Royer, Linda Mutzel, Sophia Serio, Ruthie, Martin Campbell, Ben Neideigh, Harmony Chiccarine, Grandma Edwards, etc.

Kuzmenko family – health and transitions  
Sarah Kumzenko – Migraines  
Ukrainian people and their nation  
Margie Urban – health & healing from infection  
Noah Boughter, Sophia and family  
Heather Lindsey  
Theo Wenger – healing for kidneys  
Jake Ruhl – hip pain  
Jo Ann Steinmetz – healing  
Megan and Josh – Jackie Black's grandkids  
Shirley Gehr – healing  
Denise Herr (Steph Edward's mom) - healing  
The Jackson Family  
Jay Byerly – healing  
Jenita Beth Perkowski – testing and healing  
Robert T. Perkowski – healing  
Kay Newcomer – healing & peace  
Robyn Meckley – healing  
Jim Harbison – chronic pain and recovery  
Veronica Eckman – housing  
Children – to know they are not alone in struggles  
Darius  
Alan Price – Buni's father's health  
Buni Harbison – healing from hip surgery  
Daryl Hawthorne – healing from hip surgery  
Jeff Johns & family – healing for mom  
Linda Weber - healing  
Bobbi Ann Stone – healing after knee surgery  
Tiffany & those caring for her  
Evelyn (Janet Charles' aunt) – healing & Carl, her son who cares for her  
Terry & Margie Urban & family – housing problems  
Downtown Ministry to continue in a new form  
Diana Valentine – newly diagnosed with Parkinson's

### OUR PRAISES:

God's presence through illness, struggle & loss  
Grace and forgiveness from God  
Veronica Eckman – answered prayers for finances  
2.5 years of blessings for the Downtown Ministry

*Please submit prayer requests (& updates) by note or email to the office: [faithumc@hotmail.com](mailto:faithumc@hotmail.com)*



"Baptism Shell" by [WELS.net](http://WELS.net) is licensed under [CC BY-NC 2.0](https://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-nc/2.0/).

## Welcome

*Faith United Methodist Church*  
1290 Fruitville Pike, Lititz, PA 17543  
717-560-0321 or [faithumc@hotmail.com](mailto:faithumc@hotmail.com)  
[www.FaithUMC.us](http://www.FaithUMC.us) & also on Facebook

*The Rev. Jason Perkowski* [jbperkowski@gmail.com](mailto:jbperkowski@gmail.com) Phone: 717-333-9238



May 21, 2023 at 10:30 AM – Confirmation Sunday

**W**ELCOME: We come together to worship God. Today we remember and testify to the resurrection of Jesus, God's Son and our Messiah. He chose to come and live among us, willingly died on the cross for us, and then rose from the dead to redeem our souls. The Father has seated the Son at His Right Hand and sent the Holy Spirit to minister to us powerfully. You are welcome in this sacred space in the presence of the Holy and Loving God no matter who you are; from where you have come; what experiences, struggles or gifts you bring; or the questions, doubts & beliefs you carry. Together, we seek to learn and live out our Faith. 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 & Brenden Edwards**

**A TIME FOR CENTERING & PRAYER** **Angela Dillon**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** **Eden Norman & God's People**

**\*CANDLE LIGHTING** **Brenden Edwards**

Come, people of God! Let us gather and worship the God who created us—all of us across the generations.

**God, help us learn from and feel the energy and joy of the youth who lead us today.**

God, help us learn from the wisdom, experience and traditions of our elders.

**Let's worship God together! Bind us together Lord in You.**

People of God, let us remember our own journey with God!

**We remember & give thanks for our baptisms, our salvation, & the daily bread & nurture God provides!**

*Written by The Rev. Jason Perkowski*

**\*HYMN** *Blessed Assurance* **UMH #369**

**CONFIRMATION SERVICE** **UMH #33**

**Video of Confirmands**

**Confirmation Liturgy** **UMH #33-39**

**\*HYMN** *Blest Be the Tie That Binds* **UMH #557**

**SCRIPTURE LESSON** **Isaiah 40:28-31** **Eden Norman**

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

**CHILDREN'S TIME** **Angela Dillon & Michelle Bame**

**THE PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE** **Abby Norman**

**\*HYMN** *Be Thou My Vision* **UMH #451**

**SCRIPTURE LESSON** **Jeremiah 29:10-14** **Eden Norman**

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

**SERMON** *In God's Hands* **Abby Norman**

**COMMUNION** **UMH #12-15**

*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**

**Special Music**

**\*Doxology**

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

*The Offering will be collected by the Youth: Abby, Angela, Brenden, and Eden*

**Jody and Anthony Wiker**

**UMH #95**

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING & THE LORD'S PRAYER** **UMH #13-15 & #895**

**RECEIVING THE BREAD AND THE CUP** **UMH #13-15**

*The elements will be distributed by the Confirmation Students and their Parents (The Edwards & Normans)*

**COMMUNION HYMN** *Come, Sinners, to the Gospel Feast* **UMH #616**

**BENEDICTION** **Brenden Edwards**

**POSTLUDE** *Oh I Want to Know You More* **Shannon, Father of Brenden Edwards**

*By Steve Fry* **CCLI #20560**

**\* You are invited to stand**

---

**Worship Musicians:** Jody & Anthony Wiker **AV Tech:** Dennis Meck, Sr. & Keagan Meck

**Pastor:** The Rev. Jason Perkowski **Ministers:** The People of God

**WORSHIP SERVICES ARE ALSO BROADCAST on Facebook & our website.**

**OFFICE COMMUNICATION:** Hours vary. Carol Kennedy, Office Admin, checks messages in the office on weekdays. Pastor Jason is with family from Noon Friday until Sunday & may not respond to non-emergencies then.

**MEMBERSHIP CLASS:** If you are interested in learning more about the UMC and our local churches, and are considering becoming a member, we invite you to contact Pastor Jason for info to join in a new membership class.

**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL at 9:00 AM** led by Michelle Bame meets in the 1<sup>st</sup> classroom in the Education Wing.

**JUNIOR CHURCH** for children age 3 years - 4th grade **during the 10:30AM Worship Service. Please sign your child in before the service and get a badge** with matching numbers. Children are dismissed to Jr. Church after the Children's Message. **After worship, pick up kids in the Education Wing, 3<sup>rd</sup> classroom on the right. Adults willing to be part of a teaching rotation for Junior Church in the fall should contact the office or Pastor Jason. After today, Junior Church is taking a break for the summer & will resume in September.**

**YOUTH GROUP, SUNDAYS, 5-7 PM at Faith UMC** for 5th-12th graders. Sign up in the hall to be the 2nd adult and/or to provide a meal. Contact Pastor Jason for more info. **No regular youth group on May 21 or 28. Join us tonight for a multi-church celebration for the Confirmation Class from 5-7 PM.**

**GRIEFSHARE GROUP** to help people find support and process the loss of loved ones meets every other Monday from 5-6 PM at Faith UMC. **No meeting Memorial Day, May 29. Next Meetings: June 5 & 19.**

**CHATTING VIA ZOOM on Mondays at 6:30 PM:** This member-led, discussion group meets online at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86190453518?pwd=cEVDeDljeThaaWVlYjJlQWmZjTm5oUT09>. **No meeting May 29.**

**BIBLE STUDY on WEDNESDAYS** at Oregon Community UMC will take a break for the summer.

**FRIDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY at 10AM in Faith UMC Fellowship Hall.**

**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.**

**CONFIRMATION CELEBRATION!** We will be having a dinner on **tonight**, from 5-7pm at Faith UMC. This is a **potluck meal with burgers and hot dogs being provided.** We hope to see everyone there to help celebrate our students and all their hard work on their journey. Please feel free to come—even if you didn't register. Just bring something to share.

**THE FINANCE TEAM IS LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS** to be Treasurer (sign checks, prepare budget, monitor income & expenses, report to Finance Team) or a Tax Form Preparer. Contact the office to help.

**NEIGHBORHOOD YARD SALE:** Join us and our neighbors from Wetherburn North for a neighborhood yard sale on **MAY 27 FROM 7AM – 1PM**. **Space rentals at Faith UMC are available** by calling 717-696-5321 or visiting our website at [www.FaithUMC.us](http://www.FaithUMC.us) to sign up online. Stop by for food and baked goods while you shop.

***YOU MAY DONATE YARDS SALE ITEMS OR BOOKS TO THE CHURCH NOW. These will then be sold and the proceeds put toward our ministries.***

**THE CHURCH & SOCIETY TEAM** of Faith & Oregon Community UMCs are exploring how we can engage in improving our community by standing up against injustice and the forces of wickedness. If interested in learning more, contact Pastor Jason or Renee Norman. We will be meeting on the **3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of every month from 5:30-6:30pm, including June 15**. To learn more about **Bail Reform**, join the weekly **Wednesday Zoom Session at Noon:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82483314676?pwd=K2ZtZGQ0LzBOelVlVlXQwUk5LR2VFOT09>

**OFFERINGS:** Thank you for your gifts that support our ministries. Gifts can be directed to **General Ministry and the Debt Reduction / Building Fund**. Mark preferences in the memo line or on an envelope. You can set up recurring gifts through your own financial institution or at <https://secure.myvanco.com/L-Z37Q/home>. There is a link at [FaithUMC.us](http://FaithUMC.us) or via the **QR Code**. You can also **mail or place an offering in the plate**. We are also able to receive gifts from **various sources: Required Minimum Distributions** from tax deferred **Retirement Accounts** (of those over 73 years of age), **Stocks, Bonds, Investments, Foundations, IRAs etc.**



**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL AT LONG MEMORIAL: JULY 16 TO 20** “Keepers of the Kingdom”

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL AT FAITH UMC: JULY 24–28, 6-8 PM.** We are excited to invite you to a **Food Truck Party!** Students (ages 4–10) and volunteers may register at [faithumclititz.mycokesburyvbs.com](http://faithumclititz.mycokesburyvbs.com). *VBS crafts are looking for clean plastic icing containers with lids, for our kids' crafts.* If you have any questions, please see Marilyn Jones or Buni.

**TEAM MEMBERS NEEDED FOR FOOD TRUCK PARTY VBS!** We need you to join us on our way to Food Truck Party VBS! There is a signup sheet in the hall or contact Carol Kennedy for opportunities to serve, lead, and most of all, **HAVE FUN** at Food Truck Party with children from our church and the community!

**MANDATED REPORTER/SAFE SANCTUARIES TRAINING:** You are required to attend this training **annually if you have any interaction with children or youth programs**. Please provide us with a certificate proving that you have done this training or plan to join us on **Thursday, June 1 from 6:30 – 8:00 pm for training led by Pastor Jason —for youth & adults**. If you are not able to attend that day and need to schedule a different time please let Pastor Jason know and we can explore options.

**SUMMER CAMP: REGISTER TO ATTEND A UMC CAMP THIS SUMMER—OR VOLUNTEER AS A COUNSELOR / SUPPORT STAFF.** Visit <https://www.epaumc.org/ministry/camp-retreat> for more info or visit each camp's website. There is info in the hallway. **For financial support please contact our church office.**

**SERVANT SATURDAY:** On the first Saturday of each month, incl. **June 3**, show God's love to the people around you by finding a way to give of your time, talents and treasure. Use your imaginations to find ways to give by yourself or with others.

**CHANGES FOR COMMUNITY AID DONATIONS:** **Community Aid will donate \$.13 to Faith UMC for every pound of clothing, shoes, electronic, toys, & household goods (excluding furniture) donated** at their retail store located at 31 Rohrerstown Road, Lancaster. The donation center entrance is on Good Drive and is open Monday – Saturday 9am – 6 pm. ***Our partner number is 10221.*** Make sure to tell the staff at the door that you're there to credit your donations to a Nonprofit Partner - Faith United Methodist Church. It is helpful to tape a note with our partner number to the outside of the bag or place it inside each bag.

**MEDICINE BOTTLE PROJECT:** We collect empty prescription pill bottles for clinics overseas to package medications. ***Remove labels & residue.*** The collection basket is under a table as you enter the Sanctuary.

**PRAYER SHAWLS AVAILABLE:** Perhaps you or someone you know would appreciate the comfort of a prayer shawl or quilt. **Please help yourself to one from the rack in the hall** and sign the sheet attached to the rack. **You are invited to knit or crochet prayer shawls or to donate yarn for this ministry.** Each month we deliver prayer shawls and lap quilts to nursing homes, hospice centers, hospitals, etc. Thanks for your support!

#### ONGOING EVENTS:

<b>Sundays</b>	Adult Sunday School, 9:00 AM Worship, 10:30 AM in the Sanctuary and Facebook Live Junior Church during 10:30 AM worship – <i>taking a break for the summer after today</i> Youth Group at Faith, 5-7 PM.
<b>1st Sundays</b>	Communion is offered during worship service, 10:30AM
<b>Mondays</b>	GriefShare Group - Every other Monday from 5:00-6:00 PM at Faith UMC Chatting Club via Zoom, 6:30 PM
<b>Wednesdays</b>	Worship Team Practice, 6:30 PM
<b>Thursdays</b>	Wing and a Prayer AA Meeting in the Fellowship Hall, 10:00 AM
<b>Fridays</b>	Bible Study led by Pastor Jason, 10:00 AM
<b>1st &amp; 3rd Saturdays</b>	Faith UMC works with IMPACT! Missions – Contact Leon Bame to help
<b>1st Saturdays</b>	Servant Saturday

#### UPCOMING EVENTS:

<b>Sunday, May 21</b>	<b>Confirmation of Youth into full membership, 10:30 AM Worship Service followed by fellowship &amp; refreshments</b> <b>Potluck Meal at Faith UMC with confirmands &amp; families, 5-7 PM</b>
<b>Thursday, May 25</b>	Church Council meeting, 6:00PM
<b>Saturday, May 27</b>	<b>Neighborhood Yard Sale – Space rentals &amp; food available, 7 AM-1 PM</b>
<b>Thursday, June 1</b>	<b>Mandated Reporter Training, 6:30 -8:00 PM</b>
<b>Monday, June 5</b>	GriefShare Group - Every other Monday from 5:00 to 6:00 PM Chatting Club via Zoom, 6:30 PM
<b>Wednesday, June 7</b>	Ladies' Lunch at Oregon Dairy, 11:30 AM – RSVP to Sandy Patschke
<b>Thursday, June 8</b>	Finance Committee meeting, 6:00 PM
<b>Thursday, June 15</b>	Senior Men's Lunch, 11:30 AM Church & Society Team meeting, 5:30 PM ( <i>3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of every month</i> )
<b>Saturday, June 17</b>	<b>Dog Wash Fundraiser, 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM</b>
<b>Wednesday, June 21</b>	<b>Red Cross Blood Drive, 1:00-6:00 PM</b>

#### WORSHIP LEADERS for next Sunday, May 28 are:

PASTOR: Jason Perkowski  
WORSHIP MUSIC: Jody & Anthony Wiker and the Faith Singers  
AUDIO/VISUAL TECH: Dennis Meck, Sr.  
GREETERS: Lisa Baker & Marilyn Jones  
USHERS: Lisa Baker & Gwen Newell  
LITURGIST: Buni Harbison  
CHILDREN'S TIME: Michelle Bame  
JUNIOR CHURCH: Will resume in September  
NO YOUTH GROUP: Enjoy the holiday!