

PRAYER REQUESTS:

OUR CONCERNS:

Peace in Israel, Palestine, and Ukraine
For peace & wisdom in areas of conflict
Wisdom & safety for government officials globally
President Joe Biden and VP Kamala Harris
Healthy and gentle campaigns and election process
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
Healing & peace for divisions caused by race,
class, gender, sexuality, politics & fears
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
Education Funding, 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
Lait and Clergy of the UMC
The UMC, Conference Delegates and Bishops as
we find our way forward in the Holy Spirit
Udobo School in Durban, South Africa
Campus Ministries
Dottie Sheaffer – healing for back & eyes
Eileen Williams – muscles
Bradley McGowan – ALS
Linda Philbin – motor neuropathy & healing
Rosemary (Marilyn Jones' sister) – healing
Chuck Flory – ALS
Annette McClarigan – health, sons & family
Jean Neideigh – healing (MS)
Angela, Maria and Becky – to be healthy & thrive
Children – to know they are not alone in struggles
Noah Boughter, Sophie and family
Heather Lindsey
Theo Wenger – healing for kidneys

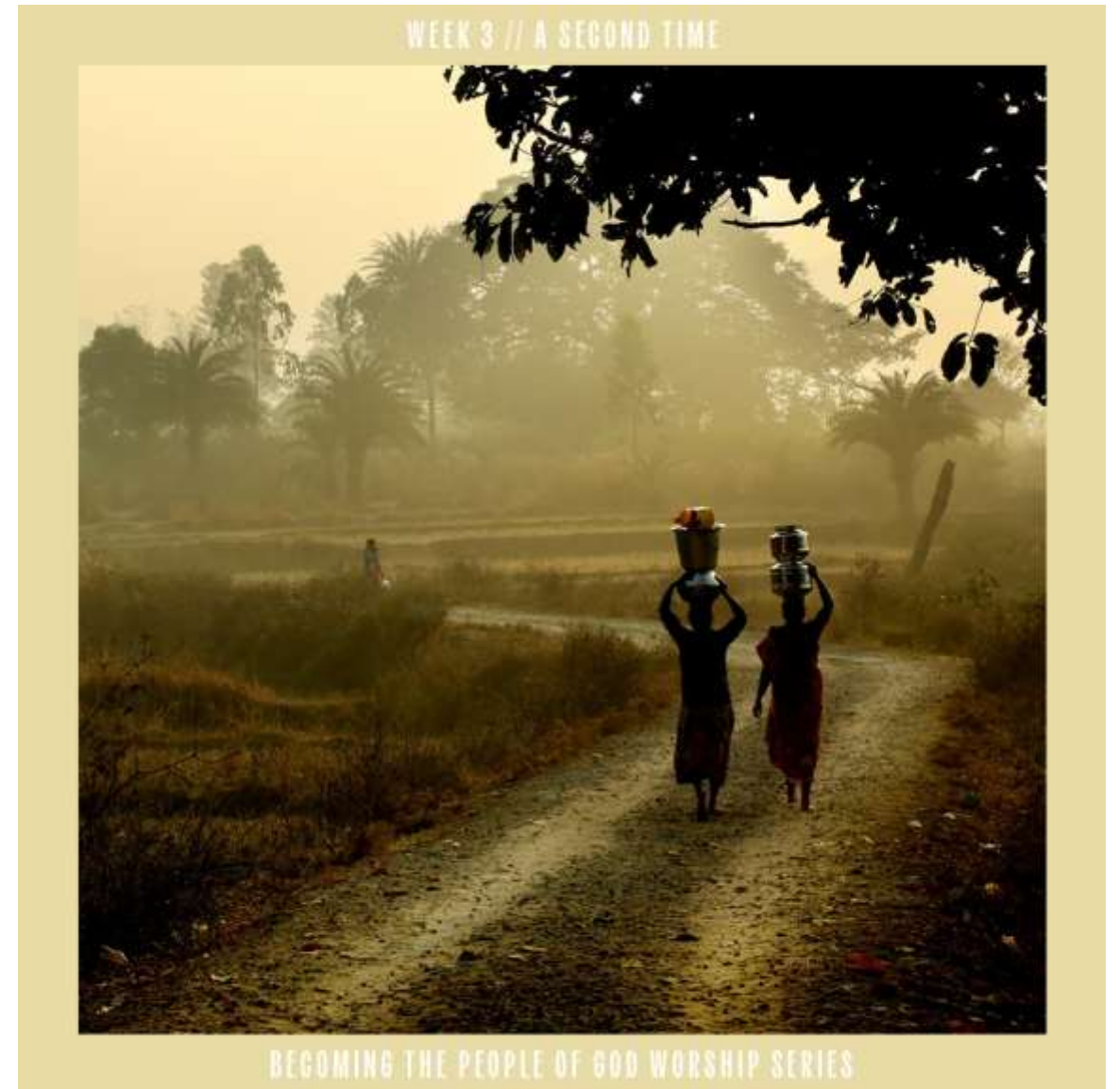
Those with cancer: Cyndi Campbell, Dean Grove,
Mark Reitzel, Kerry Link, Duane Lehman, Lori,
Ruthie, Martin Campbell, Ben Neideigh,
Harmony Chiccarine, Grandma Edwards, Nat,
Tina Miller, Carl Derr, Dorcas Kamanda,
Cynthia (from NJ), Jim Royer, Adam Malik,
Carol Bryner (Allen K's sister), Joan (Nancy's
sister-in-law), Benedicta Fair (Romanita's Aunt)

Jake Ruhl – hip and shoulder pain
Shirley Gehr – healing
The Jackson Family
Robyn Meckley – healing
Linda Weber - healing
Terry & Margie Urban & family – housing & health
Michael Herr (Steph Edward's dad) – medical tests
Dave Fisher – car accident
Sandy Patschke – healing after a fall & back
Principal Rilatt, his family and his recovery
Terry Kofroth – healing and back surgery
Rev. Dorcas – eyes, cancer surgery, & Sierra Leone
Gail's cancer–friend of Sandy
Ruthie & Gary with Dementia – friends of Amy
Brenda, Dave and Mike Loechner – health
Bob Perkowski – shoulder & neurosurgery on back
George (Ella Buchanan's brother) – health
Jason & Julie Perkowski & their 3 foster boys
Kim – home was broken into and is afraid
Tracey – follow up reports on a tumor
Priscilla – defibrillator replacement
Deb Stauffer – healing from pneumonia
Diana Valentine – healing from foot surgery
Bev Charles – Diabetes
Kevin Bodder – healing from work accident
Carol Dronke – upcoming surgery
Baby Bentley – RSV
David Williams – flu
Tom Chapman - Gastritis

OUR PRAISES:

Love and support of Faith UMC Family
God's faithful love that is new every morning
God's presence through illness, struggle & loss
Beauty of nature & sunshine
The Promise of Heaven
God is in control ultimately!
God walks with us; even in the shadow of death
Prayers answered according to God's will & timing

*Please submit prayer needs, praises, & updates by
note or email to the office: faithumc@hotmail.com*



Welcome

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January 21, 2024 at 10:30 AM – 3rd Sunday after the Epiphany

WELCOME: We gather together to worship the God who calls us—who spoke everything into creation, who spoke from the mountain tops and the burning bush, who spoke through the law and the prophets, who speaks into our spirit as the Holy Spirit, and who is the Word made flesh. So, you are welcome 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. Together, we listen to hear God speak to us anew as individuals and as community.

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 & Pastor Jason

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Jason & God's People

Are you listening? God is doing a new thing! Will you join in? **Yes! We will follow!**
 Listen! Did you miss it? God calls us again to build the kin-dom of heaven. Will you join in?
Yes! We will be builders of the kin-dom.
 Wait, did you catch that? Again, God calls us to declare the good news to those in need. Will you join in?
Yes! We will declare the good news with our voices and our lives.
 And still, God calls. God never quits calling us to live and to give abundant life. Will you join in?
Yes! We will join with God in sharing the gracious gift of abundant life with the world.
 May we respond to God's loving and persistent call with a loving and persistent yes!
A yes for us, a yes for our neighbors, and a yes for our world to be transformed by the good news that God's kin-dom has come near. Amen.

Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, August 2023

*HYMN *Have Thine Own Way, Lord* UMH #382 v. 1, 2, 4

SCRIPTURE LESSON **Jonah 3:1-5, 10** Drew Hassara
This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!

CHILDREN'S TIME Amy Boughter

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

*HYMN *O Jesus, I Have Promised* UMH #396

SCRIPTURE LESSON **Psalms 62:5-12** Drew Hassara
This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!

*HYMN *I Surrender All* UMH #354 v. 1, 3, 4, 5

SCRIPTURE LESSON **1 Corinthians 7:29-31** Drew Hassara
This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!

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

*HYMN *Jesus Calls Us* UMH #398 v. 1, 2, 5

SCRIPTURE LESSON **Mark 1:14-20** Drew Hassara

SERMON *A Second Time* Pastor Jason

BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH

*HYMN *Trust and Obey* UMH #467 v. 1, 3, 4

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

Pianist: Dolly Bankert **AV Tech:** Dennis Meck, Sr & Keagan Meck
Pastor: The Rev. Jason Perkowski **Ministers:** The People of God

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.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL at 9:00 AM meets in the 1st classroom in the Ed. Wing.

JUNIOR CHURCH for 3-year-olds - 4th grade during the 10:30AM Worship Service. Please sign your child in before the service & get a numbered badge. Children are dismissed to Jr. Church after the Children's Message. After worship, pick up kids in the Education Wing, 3rd classroom on the right.

MEMBERSHIP CLASS: Meet on January 21 and Feb 11 at Noon. If you are interested in learning more about the UMC and our church, and are considering membership, contact Pastor Jason.

YOUTH GROUP ON SUNDAYS, 5-7 PM at Faith UMC for 5th-12th graders. Each week there are dinner, games & a lesson. Sign up to be the 2nd adult and/or to provide a meal. For more info or to help, please contact Pastor Jason. **No Youth Group Jan 21. The next Gretna Glen trip is Feb 18 (3:30-7 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. **Next Meetings: January 22 & February 5.**

CHATTING on Mondays at 6:30 PM: This member-led, discussion group meets online at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86190453518?pwd=cEVDeDljeThaaWVIYjlQWmZjTm5oUT09>.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY at Oregon Community UMC, 6:30 PM.

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

YOUTH WINTER RETREAT: On Feb. 2-4 the Youth will go to Gretna Glen for the Winter Blast Youth Retreat. Please sign up by the Youth Bulletin Board. Permission Slips are needed. Cost is \$120, but \$60 will be covered from Youth Fundraisers. **Payment is due now.**

THE CHURCH & SOCIETY TEAM engages in improving our community by standing up against injustice. **Next meeting: Jan 18 at 5:30 PM (3rd Thursdays).** **These sessions will now be by Zoom only at:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82735304374?pwd=eDBSZHRCZVphSnh2TENDZ0xrdG0vQT09>. **This month the discussion topic will be: "The Cost of Poverty."** To learn more, contact Renee Norman. **Roadmap For Justice:**

POWER Interfaith Convention in Harrisburg on Feb 19. To be a part of the team working on **Bail Reform & Representation for persons accused of crimes**, join the Zoom Session at Noon every Wednesday:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82483314676?pwd=K2ZtZGQ0LzBOelVlVXQwUk5LR2VFOT09>

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.**

SEND A CARD TO HOMEBOUND PEOPLE: There are cards and address labels in the hall. Add your thoughts and prayers, maybe include a special memory, and drop it in the mail. Getting "snail mail" is always a delight; spread some joy to those who cannot get to church. If you know of someone to add to our list, please see Buni. In addition to individual cards and labels, there are complete sets of labels in small bags pinned to the bulletin board.

CHILI FUNDRAISER: We are trying a new FUNdraiser in 2024. On January 28, after church through 2pm, you may stop by Fellowship Hall for a warm bowl of chili with toppings. We hope to include a choice of 3 bases (Tator tots, rice, or spaghetti), 2 types of chili (regular or vegan), and plenty of toppings to make it just to **your** spice level. Like our spaghetti fundraiser, this will be a goodwill offering. You can also create pints to-go for those who wish to eat it during your favorite sports events later in the day. There is a volunteer sign-up sheet and a donation sign-up sheet in the hall. Please consider helping in any way to make our first ever Chili FUNdraiser a success. If you have any questions, please contact Tim Patschke or Gwen Newell. **WE'RE NOT COLD, WE'RE JUST A BIT CHILI.**

SUB SALE: We have certificates from S. Clyde Weaver for \$7.00. Pick up a delicious made-to-order sub at any of their locations. You have 7+ varieties of sandwiches available on a sub roll, bread or wrap. See Carol.

THE STAFF PARISH RELATIONS COMMITTEE THANKS ALL WHO CONTRIBUTED to our annual Staff Appreciation gifting that occurred in December! Through January, you can conveniently write a Note of Appreciation to staff members via the SPRC Basket on the tables in the hall. Thanks, Becky Mowrey, SPRC Chair.

LONG MEMORIAL FREE GROCERIES for those in need every week through their Friday Night Food Ministry at 6pm. You can drive up and receive groceries to help support you through the week. *Volunteers needed.*

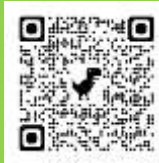
COMMUNITY MEAL: People in need may pick up a **Grab 'n Go Meal at Zion Lutheran Church in East Petersburg every Monday.** Several churches in the area support this ministry. **Faith UMC provides fifty Grab 'n Go Meals quarterly. Our next date to provide a meal is Jan 29, 2024.** We will be packaging the meal at Faith UMC at 9:00 AM. *Contact Carol Kennedy if you are interested in participating in this ministry.*

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 – 6 pm. **Tell staff to credit Non-profit partner # 10221 - Faith UMC.** Write or tape partner number on bags/boxes.

CALLING ALL CRAFTERS FOR SPRING/EASTER WREATH MAKING at Faith UMC on **Sat., Feb. 10, 9AM-1PM.** Cost is \$40.00 to cover the cost of supplies and instructor's time—due by Wed., Feb 7. Bring small wire cutters, and/or scissors if you have them. Samples are on display near the sign-up sheet. Pre-registration required and spaces is limited. This craft is not appropriate for children. **For more info, email/text Amy Boughter at thamno@live.com or 717-371-2302** (incl. your name in text).

THANK YOU for your faithful giving toward our ministries through your time, talents, prayers, presence and financial gifts! We celebrate all that God is accomplishing in Christian Education, outreach to new people and fun fellowship activities.

Gifts can be directed to **General Ministry and/or the Debt Reduction / Building Fund.** Mark preferences in the memo line & envelope. You can set up recurring gifts through your own financial institution or at <https://secure.myvanco.com/L-Z370/home>. There is a link at FaithUMC.us or via the **QR Code**. You can also **mail** or **place an offering in the plate**. Special gifts from IRAs, stocks, etc. can also be received. See the office for info.



MEDICINE BOTTLE COLLECTION PROJECT: We are sending empty prescription pill bottles to clinics in underprivileged countries that use them to provide medication. **Please remove all labels and sticky residue.** There is a collection basket under the table as you enter the Sanctuary.

PASTOR JASON ON HALF-TIME PATERNITY LEAVE UNTIL EASTER: Pastor Jason & Julie have welcomed three boys into their home through foster care. Pastor Jason will continue to preach, lead the Youth Ministry & Grief Share, teach Bible2School & Friday Bible Study, and provide pastoral care. **If committees want Pastor Jason to attend meetings, contact him in advance. For pastoral needs, call, email or text with a detailed message for Pastor Jason. He will primarily be available when the boys are in school.** Sundays are focused on worship service and youth ministry. **So, 9am-3pm Monday-Thursdays are the best time to reach him.**

FAITH UMC WORSHIP TEAM: Do YOU, yes YOU, sing, play an instrument, love to laugh and fellowship with Faith friends, and in general, make a joyful noise to the Lord? If you do, then have we got an opportunity for you! **The Faith Singers meet every Sunday at 9:00 AM (new day & time)** to learn Sunday morning's hymns, praise and worship songs, and beautiful anthems designed to enhance the worship experience. We want YOU to share with us in this opportunity! We will welcome you with open arms, open hearts, and open voices. Come join us on Wednesday night! ***If you are interested in sharing special music, please contact Pastor Jason as well. Other forms of artistic expression in the services are also welcomed—so if you want to share a drama, share the gospel through art or poetry, or other means please contact us.***

ONGOING EVENTS:

Sundays

Adult Sunday School, 9:00 AM
Worship Team Practice, 9:00 AM
Worship, 10:30 AM in the Sanctuary and Facebook Live
Junior Church during 10:30 AM worship
Youth Group at Faith, 5-7 PM (Gretna Glen on Feb 18)

1st Sundays

Communion offered during worship service, followed by refreshments
GriefShare Group - Every other Monday, 5:00-6:00 PM at Faith UMC.
Chatting Club *via Zoom*, 6:30 PM

Mondays

Tuesdays

Bible2School in the Fellowship Hall, 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM
Nar-Anon - Every other Tuesday, 7:00-9:00 PM at Faith UMC

Wednesdays

Bible2School in the Fellowship Hall, 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM
Bible Study at Oregon Community UMC, 6:30PM

Thursdays

Wing and a Prayer AA Meeting in the Fellowship Hall, 10:00 AM
Bible Study led by Pastor Jason, 10:00 AM

Fridays

1st & 3rd Saturdays

Faith UMC works with IMPACT! Missions – Contact Leon Bame to help
Servant Saturday

1st Saturdays

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Sunday, Jan 21

Membership Class, noon (also Feb 11)

Monday, Jan 22

GriefShare Group - Every other Monday from 5:00 to 6:00 PM
Chatting Club *via Zoom*, 6:30 PM

Thursday, Jan 25

Church Council meeting, 6:00 PM

Saturday, Jan 27

Chili Fundraiser prep, 10 AM

Sunday, Jan 28

Chili Bar Fundraiser, 11:45 AM – 2 PM – Eat in or Take out

Monday, Jan 29

Faith UMC provides Grab 'N Go Meal at Zion Lutheran Church, 9:00 AM prep
SPRC meeting, 6:00 PM

Thursday, Feb 1

Youth Group Retreat at Gretna Glen

Fri – Sun, Feb 2-4

Ladies' Lunch at Oregon Dairy, 11:30 AM – RSVP to Sandy Patschke

Wednesday, Feb 7

Finance meeting, 6:00 PM

Thursday, Feb 8

Wreath Making Class, 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM – sign up in the hall

Saturday, Feb 10

Membership Class, noon

Sunday, Feb 11

Ash Wednesday service at Oregon Community UMC, 7:00 PM

Wednesday, Feb 14

WORSHIP LEADERS for next Sunday, Jan 28 are:

GREETERS/USHERS: Donna Arnold & Leon Bame

LITURGIST: Terry Kofroth

CHILDREN'S TIME: Michelle Bame

JUNIOR CHURCH: Lisa Baker & Julie Perkowski

YOUTH GROUP: Pastor Jason & Sara Solodky