

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
Laity and Clergy of the UMC
The UMC, Conference Delegates and Bishops
Udobo School in Durban, South Africa
Campus Ministries
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)
Foster children – 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
Jake Ruhl – hip and shoulder pain
Shirley Gehr – healing

Those with cancer: Cyndi Campbell, Dean Grove,
Mark Reitzel, Duane Lehman, 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
(Ramonita's Aunt), Isaias Maldonado
(Ramonita's Uncle), Richard Stauffer (Tina's
brother), Missy Landis

The Jackson Family
Robyn Meckley – healing
Linda Weber - healing
Terry & Margie Urban & family – housing & health
Michael Herr (Steph Edward's dad) – medical tests
Terry Kofroth – healing
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
Renia Perkowski – healing after pain stim. surgery
Tracy & Eddie Dean – from foot & leg surgeries
Denny Armstrong – kidney failure
Brent Rollins – series of strokes
Tracey – follow up reports on a tumor
Deb Stauffer – healing from pneumonia
Carol Dronke – upcoming surgery
Vickie - neurological issues & GI issues
Rev. Sally Ott - spinal surgery
Steve Valente – healing of broken hand
TJ (Buni's granddaughter) relief from stress
Daryl Hawthorne – healing after foot surgery
Garnett Knippenberg – healing after a fall
Janet Charles – back injury
Family & friends of Lori Ward on her passing
Tim Link and family on the passing of Kerry
Dr. Louis Marotti's Family on his passing

OUR PRAISES:

Bob Perkowski – healing well from surgery on neck
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
*Please submit prayer needs, praises, & updates by
note or email to the office: faithumc@hotmail.com*



7:00 p.m. Combined Service
Long Memorial UMC- The Rev. Andrea Haldeman
Faith & Oregon Community -The Rev. Jason Perkowski

Welcome

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Faith United Methodist Church



March 29, 2024 at 7:00 PM – Good Friday

WELCOME: 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 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 that 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

Pastor Jason

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Andrea & God’s People

Jesus died because of religious people like you and me. **Religion too easily becomes an act we perform rather than a way of life to which we commit ourselves.**

Jesus’ death destroys any reason to pretend with faith, and it challenge us to take up our cross and follow our Master. **Our faith is in Christ who forgives us, strengthens us, and calls us into discipleship.**

Written by The Rev. James Garner

*HYMN

Beneath the Cross of Jesus

UMH #297

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: *What pain and sorrow we must bring to you Father. And yet what love you pour out to us! Forgive us for what we have let sin do to us, contrary to your created purpose. Cause us to see that our modern ways of avoiding your Son are no better than nailing him to the cross. Transform our hearts, our minds, our whole nature to live in full commitment to Christ our Redeemer, in whose name we pray. Amen.*

SILENT PERSONAL PRAYERS OF CONFESSION & WORDS OF PARDON

Pastor Andrea

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 27:24-61

Larry Landis

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

CHILDREN’S TIME

Pastor Jason

RESPONSIVE READING

Isaiah 53:1-12 (See Insert)

Gray Haldeman

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

*HYMN

Were You There

UMH #288 v. 1, 2, 4, 5

WITNESSES:

A period of silent reflection will follow the testimony of each witness

An Introduction

A Roman Soldier - Luke 23:34a

The Good Thief – Luke 23:43

The Beloved Disciple – John 19:26-27

A Bystander – Matthew 27:46b

A Woman Along the Way – John 19:28

Mary Magdalene – John 19:30

Joseph of Arimathea – Luke 23:46

Buni Harbison

Phil Buchanan

Bob Jolly

Bob Rodgers

Jan Hendershot

Terry Kofroth

Diana Valentine

Ron Lunn

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*HYMN

Ah, Holy Jesus

UMH #289

THE LORD’S PRAYER

UMH #895

Pastor Jason

REFLECTION

Pastor Andrea

*HYMN

What Wondrous Love Is This

UMH #292

BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH

Pastor Jason

You are welcome to come forward and to pray by the altar rail or to pray in your seats. You are invited to depart as you feel led. Please depart in silence.

Offering Plates are by the doors for those who would like to make an offering to the ministries of the church. You can also donate online to any of the churches.

* 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. **No Adult SS on Easter**

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. **No Junior Church on Easter Sunday**

YOUTH GROUP ON SUNDAYS, 5-7 PM at Faith UMC for 5th-12th graders. Each week there is dinner, games & a lesson. Sign up to be the 2nd adult and/or to provide a meal. **No Youth Group on Easter Sunday**

GRIEFSHARE helps people process the loss of loved ones and to find support from peers. There is a video curriculum, discussion and mutual support. **We will start a new group in April with a series of 13 classes (spread across 26 weeks) using a brand-new curriculum.** People are also invited to go through the program a second time. **We meet every other Monday from 5-6:30 PM in the first classroom in the Education Wing at Faith UMC beginning on April 15.** This is open to the church and community. Contact Pastor Jason for more info or to register.

CHATTING on Mondays at 6:30 PM: This member-led, discussion group meets online at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86190453518?pwd=cEVDeDljeThaaWVlYjIjQWmZjTm5oUT09>.

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

FRIDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY at 10 AM in Faith UMC Fellowship Hall. John Rice will teach April 5.

THE CHURCH & SOCIETY TEAM engages in improving our community by standing up against injustice. **Next meeting: April 18 at 5:30 PM (3rd Thursdays).** We will discuss “Building Power Together.” There are printed copies in the hall. **These sessions are by Zoom only 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 Wednesday: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82483314676?pwd=K2ZtZGQ0LzBOelVlVlXQwUk5LR2VFQT09>

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 in a basket in the hall and complete sets of labels in small bags pinned to the bulletin board. Add a note and drop it in the mail to spread some joy to those who cannot get to church. If you know of someone to add to our list, see Buni.

PASTOR JASON IS ON VACATION from Sunday, March 31 at noon through Saturday, April 6. For Pastoral Emergencies, contact Michelle Bame (717) 537-5064 or the Church Office (717) 560-0321. They will contact the Pike's Mission Link Clergy.

COLLECTING ITEMS FOR YARD SALE: We can always use donations for the Youth Group tables at the yard sale held at Faith UMC on May 25. You can place items in the room across from the Youth Room. We do not take clothing. You can donate books as well in the library classroom. Thank you.

NEIGHBORHOOD YARD SALE: Join us and our neighbors from Wetherburn North for a neighborhood yard sale on **May 25 from 7am – 1pm. Space rentals at Faith UMC are available for \$20.** Beginning April 1st you may make a reservation for a space by calling 717-696-5321 or visiting www.FaithUMC.us for a link to sign up.

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 May. It has always been very much appreciated. **If you wish to participate, please donate** shoe boxes, post-it notes, highlighters, crackers, granola bars, microwave popcorn, hot chocolate mix, etc. **by April 14.** We will be assembling the care packages on April 21st.

THANK YOU for your faithful service to the Lord in every aspect of your lives as individuals and as a church family. May every part of your being be made holy as you dedicate it to God!

This includes the ways that you use your financial resources. We need to maintain a regular offering of about \$4,000 per week toward the regular budget and the debt reduction combined. Giving in the first three months has NOT met the average needed for the year. If you are able to give regularly toward our ministry—or to make a one-time donation—that goes a long way to sustaining the work that we do together to serve our community.



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-Z37Q/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.

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 or you may pick a ready-made sandwich. You can support our ministries while getting a discount on your sandwich! See Carol.



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 information or visit each camp's website. **Families with campers in need of financial support should contact the church office.**

MEDICINE BOTTLE COLLECTION: We send prescription pill bottles to clinics in poor countries. **Please remove all labels and sticky residue.** A basket is under the table as you enter the Sanctuary.

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.*

FAITH UMC WORSHIP TEAM: Do you sing, play an instrument, and make a joyful noise to the Lord? If so, please **join the Faith Singers every Wednesday at 6:00 PM** to learn and rehearse the worship music.

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.** Write or tape partner number on bags/boxes.

SCRAPBOOK EVENT on Sat., Aug. 10 from 9am-5pm at Faith UMC as a joint fundraiser. **PLANNING MEETINGS** on Mon., May 13 & July 8 at 6:30PM at Faith. Join us to plan and volunteer for this event.

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 meal will be served on April 8.** Contact Carol Kennedy if you are interested in participating in this ministry.

REGISTRATION IS OPEN FOR THE 2024 EPA ANNUAL CONFERENCE, May 21-23, at Wildwoods Convention Center. To see the agenda, hotel options and other information, visit the [AC2024 webpage](#), which will be updated as more information becomes available. Also, volunteers are needed for the 2024 Annual Conference. Please complete and submit the form provided to serve as an usher, minute taker or tellers. See descriptions on the [Volunteers Needed](#) webpage. Church delegates and equalizing lay delegates should sign up ASAP. If you are interested in being an equalizing lay delegate please contact Pastor Jason or District Superintendent Freymoyer.



COMMUNITY YARD SALE & CHICKEN BBQ on May 11 from 8AM-1PM at OCUMC.

OREGON COMMUNITY UMC 150th ANNIVERSARY COMMUNITY CELEBRATION on June 15 from 2-6PM ending with a 6PM **Worship Service and Dessert Reception.** There will be live music at 2pm with Tara and Mike, yard games and activities for kids and families, a bounce house, free food, and a worship service to celebrate 150 years of service in the community. Please join us for this event—and invite family, former members as well as your neighbors to celebrate with us.

LANCASTER COUNTY CHICKEN POTPIE FUNDRAISER AT LONG MEMORIAL: Saturday, April 20 from 4:00 to 6:30 p.m. – What a great idea! Now, you don't have to cook that night. Just come pick up your dinner and at the same time you're supporting a great church fundraiser! Take out only!

ONGOING EVENTS:

Sundays Adult Sunday School, 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 Mar 17)

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

Mondays GriefShare Group - Every other Monday, 5:00-6:00 PM at Faith UMC.
Chatting Club *via Zoom*, 6:30 PM

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
Worship Team Practice, 6:00 PM

Thursdays Wing and a Prayer AA Meeting in the Fellowship Hall, 10:00 AM

Fridays Bible Study led by Pastor Jason, 10:00 AM - **John Rice will teach on April 5**

1st & 3rd Saturdays Faith UMC works with IMPACT! Missions – Contact Leon Bame to help

1st Saturdays Servant Saturday

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Wednesday, Apr 3 Ladies' Lunch at Oregon Dairy, 11:30 AM – RSVP to Sandy Patschke

Thursday, Apr 4 Church Council meeting, 6:00 PM

Monday, Apr 8 Faith UMC provides Grab 'N Go Meal at Zion Church, 9:00 AM prep

Thursday, Apr 11 Finance Team meeting, 6:00 PM

Monday, Apr 15 GriefShare Group - Every other Monday from 5:00 to 6:00 PM
Chatting Club *via Zoom*, 6:30 PM

Tuesday, Apr 23 **Soup and Sandwich Sale**, 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM and 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM

Saturday, May 25 **Neighborhood Yard Sale**, 7:00 AM to 1:00 PM – Reserve a space beginning April 1

“The Suffering Servant” from Isaiah 53:1-12 (NRSVUE)

Who has believed what we have heard? **And to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?**

For he grew up before him like a young plant **and like a root out of dry ground;**

he had no form or majesty that we should look at him, **nothing in his appearance that we should desire him.**

He was despised and rejected by others; **a man of suffering and acquainted with infirmity,**

and as one from whom others hide their faces **he was despised, and we held him of no account.**

Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases,

yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted.

But he was wounded for our transgressions, **crushed for our iniquities;**

upon him was the punishment that made us whole, **and by his bruises we are healed.**

All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way,

and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter

and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth.

By a perversion of justice he was taken away. **Who could have imagined his future?**

For he was cut off from the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people.

They made his grave with the wicked and his tomb with the rich,

although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth.

Yet it was the will of the Lord to crush him with affliction.

When you make his life an offering for sin, he shall see his offspring and shall prolong his days;

through him the will of the Lord shall prosper.

Out of his anguish he shall see; **he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge.**

The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous, **and he shall bear their iniquities.**

Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great, **and he shall divide the spoil with the strong,**

because he poured out himself to death and was numbered with the transgressors,

yet he bore the sin of many and made intercession for the transgressors. AMEN

HOLY WEEK: See our websites for more info about Easter Services

- **Easter Sunrise Service, March 31 at 6:30AM at Oregon Community UMC**
- **Easter Service, March 31 at 9:00AM at Oregon Community UMC**
- **Easter Service, March 31 at 10:30AM at Long Memorial UMC: Neffsville**
- **Easter Service, March 31 at 10:30AM at Faith UMC: Manheim Township**

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Upcoming Events

Watch for more details on our website: www.FaithUMC.us

SOUP AND SANDWICH SALE

Tuesday, April 23

11AM to 1PM & 4PM to 6PM

While supply lasts



BOOK SALE NEIGHBORHOOD YARD SALE

(space rentals available beginning April 1)

Saturday, May 25

7 AM to 1 PM



DOG WASH

Saturday, June 8

10 AM to 2 PM

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Monday – Friday, July 22 -26

6 to 8 PM

Ages 4 - 10



If you would like to be included on our mailing list please email us at office@FaithUMC.us and let us know if you would like to receive invitations to events or our weekly newsletter & bulletin.

LONG MEMORIAL'S EXERCISE PROGRAM: Join “EXERCISE IN LOVE” Tuesdays and Thursdays at 2:00 p.m. in the Library at Long Memorial UMC. Everyone can benefit from this fitness program. Please join us, Contact Sara Stokes at 717-492-4363 or the church office at 717-569-2931.

LONG MEMORIAL WALKING BUDDIES: Walking is one of the best exercises for any age so come join us! Our group meets most Tuesdays and Thursdays at 3:15 in Neffsville Park (also known as Manheim Township Park). The shortest distance is a half mile but many walk farther than that. Kathy Vasisko maintains a text routing list to keep in touch with the “regulars.” If you'd like to be added to the list, let Kathy know, or just come on out any time.