# Faith & Oregon Community United Methodist Churches



# March 7, 2021 at 10:30AM – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Lent

ELCOME FRIENDS: We gather together to worship God: The Father, The Son, & The Holy Spirit. You are welcome in this space no matter who you are; from where you have come; or what experiences, struggles, questions or talents you bring. We are so glad you are here and hope that you find what you came seeking!

# **GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Pastor Jason

Please 'sign in' by liking or commenting on the video or sending an email to JBPerkowski@gmail.com. Let us know who watched the video with you and send in any prayer requests that we can lift up.

## A TIME FOR CENTERING & PRAYER

# CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Jason & God's People

All heaven and earth proclaim the majesty of God's creative power!

Praise God for the amazing and awesome beauty.

God has given to us codes by which to live together in harmony and peace.

In these commandments, God has summed up the ways we must respect one another.

Rejoice in the goodness of God.

Praise God for God's complete and steadfast love for us. Amen.

(Nancy C. Townley, posted on the Ministry Matters website and on UMCDiscipleship.org)

**SCRIPTURE LESSON** 

Psalm 19

**Terry Kofroth** 

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

HYMN

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty

**UMH #64** 

TITHES AND OFFERINGS OF PRAYERS, PRESENCE, GIFTS, SERVICE & WITNESS

THE PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

**UMH #895** 

SCRIPTURE LESSON John 2:13-22 Terry Kofroth

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

HYMN What Wondrous Love Is This UMH #292

CHILDREN'S TIME Pastor Jason

SCRIPTURE LESSON 1 Corinthians 1:18-25 Terry Kofroth

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

HYMN O. Jesus, I Have Promised UMH #396

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Exodus 20:1-17

**Terry Kofroth** 

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**SERMON** 

Rend Your Hearts: Claiming the Promise All These Words **Pastor Jason** 

HYMN

Take Time to Be Holy

**UMH #395** 

BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH

OCUMC Pianist: Jody Wiker & Cellist, Guitar and Vocals: Anthony Wiker

Faith Worship Team Director: Phil Buchanan Faith Instrumentalists: Liz Hornberger & Dolly Bankert

Audio / Visual Technology: Bryan Nelson

**Pastor:** The Rev. Jason Perkowski

**Ministers:** The People of God

Explore OregonCommunityUMC.US & FaithUMC.US for more info about our churches.

WORSHIP SERVICES ARE BROADCAST at FM 89.9 each Sunday at 10:30AM as well as on Facebook Live through the churches' and Pastor's Facebook pages & church websites.

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**JR CHURCH AT 9:30 AM EACH SUNDAY:** Kids up to 4<sup>th</sup> Grade may join us *via Zoom* with Julie Hassara. We are emailing activity pages *and the password*. If interested, email faithumc@hotmail.com.

**FELLOWSHIP TIME BY ZOOM EACH SUNDAY, 11:45 AM - 12:15 PM** after worship https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88148879997?pwd=ZnBzeDRPMmpBTlBUb1VwaGRWZko4dz09

**COMMUNION:** We will offer a no-contact Communion Service in the Faith UMC parking lot **at 1pm on every First Sunday at 1pm, including March 6.** We will broadcast from inside in the Welcome Center—so please park on that end of the building. *Bring your own bread and juice.* We will also need to stay in our vehicles to keep one another safe. **We will broadcast the service on FM 89.9.** 

YOUTH GROUP, SUNDAYS, 5-7 PM (in person or by Zoom w/link sent by text message). On 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays (*March 21*) youth go to Gretna Glen, leaving Faith UMC at 1:30PM & back by 5PM. Wear a mask & dress warmly. RSVP & permission slips required. RSVP by Sunday, Mar 14 about Gretna Glen

BIBLE STUDY led by Amy Boughter on Wednesdays at 6:30 PM in Faith UMC Welcome Center. Masks & distancing are required.

BIBLE STUDY led by Mike Shifflet on Wednesdays at 6:30 PM at Oregon Community UMC. Masks & distancing are required.

FRIDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY BY ZOOM AT 10 AM: We discuss the scriptures from the Common Lectionary. Join us: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83172825482.

PASTOR JASON & CAROL OFFICE HOURS: We are sometimes telecommuting. Contact us directly: Pastor Jason: (717)333-9238 / jbperkowski@gmail.com. Office: (717)560-0321 / faithumc@hotmail.com

SPECIAL NEEDS: If someone has needs the church can support, please contact Pastor Jason. You can also dial 2-1-1 or visit www.211.org to reach the United Way Call Center who can direct you to social service organizations. You can also reach the Crisis Intervention Lifeline: 717-394-2631

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

TOOLS FOR MINISTRY: Sat., March 13, 2021 from 8:30 am to 12:30pm via Zoom. Cost: \$5. All church members should consider attending to grow in your discipleship and ministry skills. Click here for the full brochure with workshop descriptions. or register online now! Tech help available via Faith UMC.

CHATTING CLUB: MONDAYS AT 7 PM BY ZOOM at https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86190453518. This Week's Topic: Reporter Studies How Christians React When Prophets They Follow Err. Join in our discussion as we explore what can happen when self-identified prophets and their prophecies don't come true. We'll explore how to develop discernment, and to look for truthfulness and reliability of Christian leadership and prophets. For more info: www.Chattingatthegeneralsutter.us

**TRIVIA NIGHT:** Fri, March 19<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-8:00pm we will have a St Patrick's Day Zoom Trivia Night hosted by Pastor Jason. Test your knowledge on all kinds of topics. This is an opportunity for you to determine knowledge from blarney! It will be fun for all ages. So, get out your thinking caps, grab your snacks, and log on. Winning team earns a prize. Use this link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86505277044

BREAKFAST W/ THE EASTER BUNNY: On Sat, March 27<sup>th</sup> we'll host a drive-thru pancake & sausage breakfast from 8-10am. Meet the Easter Bunny & do a scavenger hunt from the comfort of your own vehicle. There will be treats and take-home activities for kids! Pre-Orders are suggested. When ordering, indicate # of meals, if you want sausage, # of children, and your arrival time (8-9am or 9-10am). More info is in the Faith-a-gram & website. Members can donate candy & toys to fill eggs by March 8<sup>th</sup>. Contact the office if you would like to volunteer to help with the event.

**EASTER FLOWER orders are due March 8<sup>th</sup>.** Pick up a form at the church or email faithumc@hotmail.com with your order.

OFFERING TITHES & GIFTS TO THE LORD: You can direct gifts to the churches in four areas: General Ministry, Debt Reduction/Building Fund, the Benevolence Funds or the Community Care Ministry (which is sent to three local food ministries). Mark your preference clearly in the memo. You can mail a check to Faith UMC, 1290 Fruitville Pike, Lititz PA 17543 or Oregon Community UMC, 1214 Creek Rd, Lititz, PA 17543 or donate digitally through the churches' websites.

DOWNTOWN FOOD MINISTRY: We are providing meals, toiletries, blankets, etc. for people who are homeless at 2pm on the Saturday before Communion Sunday. To help, contact Diana at 717-435-8577. We need people to cook, prepare donations, deliver food, etc. WISH LIST: cough drops, travel size toothpaste, individually wrapped panty liners and feminine cleansing wipes. Place donations in the "drop-off box" by the front door. WISH LIST: https://smile.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/dl/invite/5zDLQnj?ref\_=wl\_share If you shop on AmazonSmile for this (or for yourself) & select Manheim Township Faith United Methodist as your charitable organization, they'll get a percentage of your purchase (no cost to you).

**SERVANT SATURDAY:** On the Saturday before Communion Sunday (March 6), we are asking everyone to make an effort to show God's love to the world around you—giving of your time, talents and treasures locally or across the world. There is info on the church website with some suggestions to get you started.

IMPACT! MISSIONS is an interdenominational Christian Housing Ministry. They align homeowners in need of a warm, safe, and dry home with groups and individuals who are willing to serve to make that happen. Use your skills to help Impact! Missions restore houses for those in need. Leon Bame volunteers on the first and third Saturdays and would love to have some people from Faith & Oregon Comm. UMC join him. For more info, please contact Leon at 717-344-9924 or leonshel37@gmail.com.

**CREATE CARE PACKAGES FOR MILLERSVILLE UNIVERSITY STUDENTS AT** *THE HUB MINISTRY* for their exam week. Donate highlighters, sticky notes, pens, pencils, cookies, candy, snack crackers, granola bars, popcorn, hot chocolate mix, etc. by Sun., March 29<sup>th</sup> in the drop-off box by the front door. Contact the office to volunteer to help package the goodies or wrap boxes.

# **PRAYER REQUESTS:**

#### **OUR CONCERNS:**

The UMC and delegates to the 2021/2022 General Conference as we seek God's will regarding human sexuality & our mission to make disciples of Jesus

President Joe Biden and VP Kamala Harris

Wisdom & safety for all government officials and their stafffrom the US & other nations

Veterans and Service Members

Civilians, leaders, and soldiers in war torn regions

Victims of "religious," white supremacist and racist violence

For peace & wisdom in areas of conflict

Police officers and their families

Individuals & families harmed in interactions with police First responders, emergency personnel, and medical staff For an end to violence—including gun violence, domestic

violence, terrorism, & weapons of mass destruction

Victims & families involved in violent crime, sexual abuse and harassment

Abusers and their families

Healing & peace for divisions caused by race, class, gender, sexuality, politics & fears

All affected by natural disasters

Refugees & huddled masses yearning to be free

People who are hungry and homeless

Security and immigration reform

Prisoners & Prison Leadership

Schools & Education Reform

Members of AA, NA, & AlAnon

Those struggling with addictions, finances, etc.

Those suffering from depression & mental health issues

All those caring for sick loved ones

Those grieving the loss of loved ones

Wisdom around natural resources and the environment Eradication of deadly diseases—including COVID-19

Bishop Johnson, the EPAUMC Staff, and DS BK Chung

Coleman Memorial Chapel & Rev. Beverly Andrews

Rev. Dorcas, her UMC ministries in Sierra Leone, and her husband Daniel's health

Udobo School in Durban, South Africa

Campus Ministry: Ed Weber at Millersville; Rev. David

Piltz & Rev. Diana Esposito at Drexel & West Chester;

Rev. Dr. Mel Sensenig & Rev. Ibrahim Bangura at Albright; & Lebanon Valley

Becky, Angela and Maria Rodriguez – custody

Becky Rodriguez – kidney failure & dialysis

Phil Buchanan – strength & healing in legs/back

Norm Whiteley (Ella's brother) – health

Charlotte Garfield

Dottie Sheaffer – healing for back

Eileen Williams - muscles, healing, & search for new home

Shelda's granddaughter Bella's health

Bradley McGowan - ALS

Linda Philbin – motor neuropathy & strength

Donna Parmer – ongoing medical conditions

Those with cancer: Cyndi Campbell, Dean Grove, Mark Reitzel, Pat Shenk, Kerry Link, Joe, John Rathvon, Glen (friend of Harbisons), Duane Lehman, Amy Boughter, Bob (Valente family), Priscilla Rice (& healing from surgery)

Rosemary (Marilyn Jones' sister) – healing

Noah Boughter - wisdom, safety and recovery

Annette McClarigan & family

Carl Jones – strength & healing and health of siblings

Marilyn Jones – healing & joint pain

Heather Lindsey

Michelle Rathvon Mitterer – healing from strokes

Chuck Flory - ALS

Darlene Brown – Abdominal surgery

John – Cardiac Issues

Laurie – Recovery from surgery

Lorraine Jones - arthritis

Kathleen (Shifflet) McDuffie-rheumatoid arthritis & hip

Healthy pregnancy for Christi and Mark Shifflet

Mike Shifflet's mom—physical therapy

Neighbors of Shifflets

Bob Jolly's parents

Katie & Dustin Oakes in Japan

Clarita - kidney issues

All Impacted by COVID-19 – incl. Quinn, Leon Bame's

mother, Harry (Smith's son-in-law), Ruthie,

Deanna Brivchik, Ken, Dennis Meck Sr.'s mom,

Marcia Eisenhour's Dad

Mike Loechner – heart problems

Sebastian—recovery

Jason Hurst- grandson of Judy Hurst

Sandy Patschke – healing after back surgery

Sherry Guard

Buni Harbison's father – ongoing need for healing

Jackie Black – continued healing

Don Klos – ongoing healing and strengthening

Erek Perkowski and his son Shaughn – custody

Ray – recovering from Strokes

Smith's nephew Mark with leukemia

Janet – nodules in lungs

Steven Valente – healing of heels after a fall

Mike & Brenda Hardwig – healing

Glenn Slater

Grandview UMC as they disaffiliate from UMC

Bricker family—loss of loved ones

The family of Harry Buchanan on his passing

Margie & Terry Urban's granddaughter Analise—in

hospital and non-responsive

#### **OUR PRAISES:**

God's presence through illness and struggle Recent healing for so many from COVID-19

New vaccines