

PRAYER REQUESTS:

OUR CONCERNS:

Passage of wise county, state and federal budgets
and those impacted by the loss of funding
Bishop Moore-KoiKoi, DS Freymoyer & EPA
Staff as they travel in South Korea
Laity and Clergy of the UMC
Unity & love in the church universal & the UMC
Healing & peace for divisions over race, class,
gender, sexuality, politics & fears
Wisdom & safety for government officials globally
President Donald Trump and VP JD Vance
Peace in Israel, Palestine, Ukraine, Russia and the
Middle East
For peace & wisdom in areas of conflict
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
All those affected by violence and hate
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 & Attorneys
Reform for Education Funding, Criminal Justice,
and Foster Care Systems
Teachers, Students, Families & Campus ministries
Members of AA, NA, & AlAnon and their families
All struggling with addictions, finances, mental
health illnesses, anxiety and stress
All those caring for sick loved ones
Those grieving the loss of loved ones
Members currently in jail or returning home
Udobo School in Durban, South Africa
NarSarah Village and Clinic, Sierra Leone

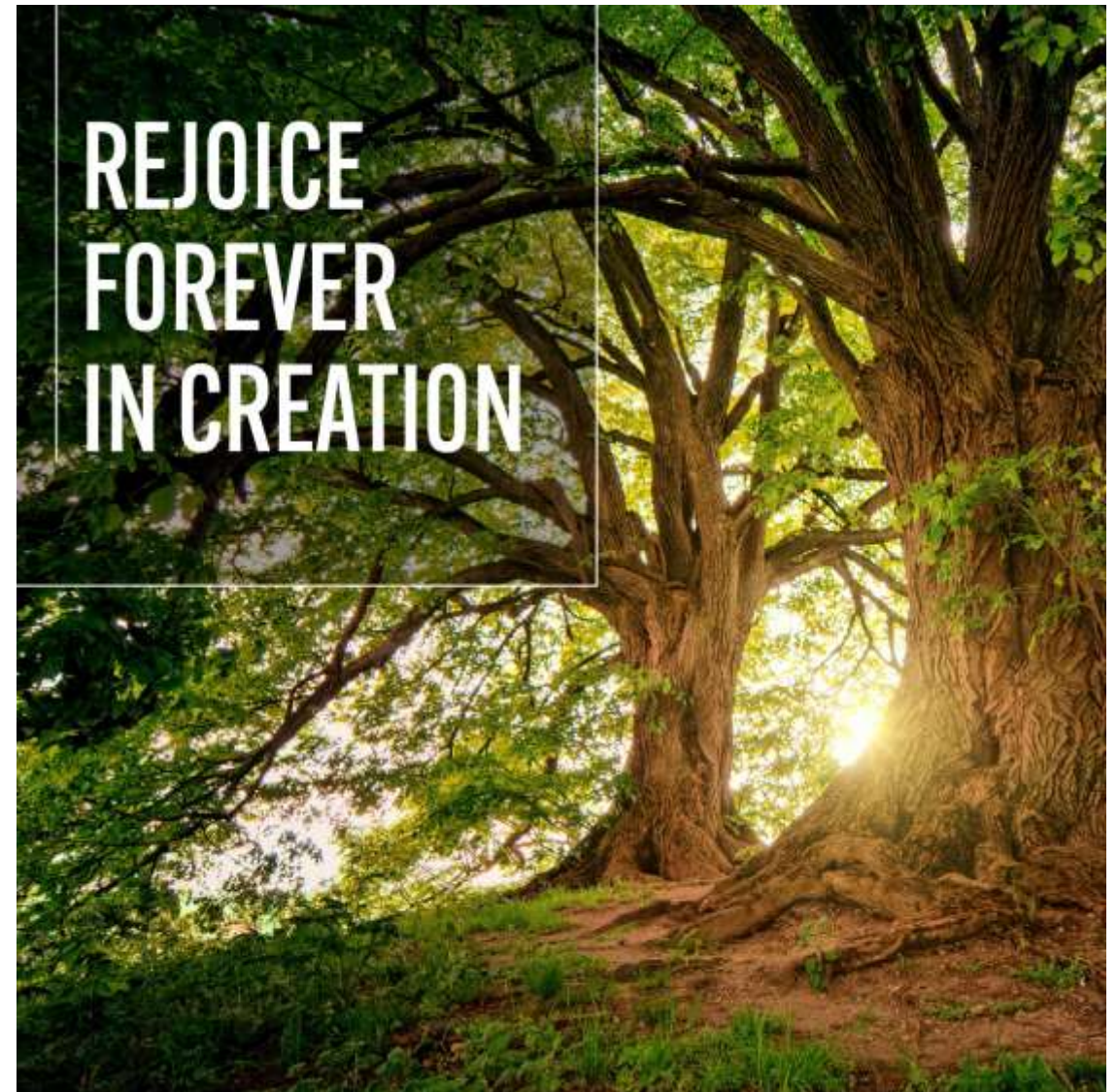
Those with cancer: Cyndi Campbell, Dean Grove,
Mark Reitzel, Duane Lehman, Ruthie, Martin
Campbell, Dorcas Kamanda (in remission),
Adam Malik, Joan (Nancy's sister-in-law), Isaias
Maldonado (Ramonita's Uncle), Missy Landis;
Marc Barley (Diane's cousin), Heather Williams,
Nat (friend of Wikers), Destiny Eckman; Kole;
Pat Oglesby (Laura G's sister); Eileen Landis,
Janet (friend of Lisa); Bob Black – lung cancer

Mary Shenk for Alzheimer's
Alfredo Vega, Jr – safety while on active duty
Sandy Patschke – health
Diana Allia – heart condition
Garnett K. for health & balance issues
Garnett's daughter Kimberly Ann Wenger
Melodie Dearolf for healing of back and leg pain
Sebastian for start of rehab
Mary Ann Unangst for healing and strength
Peace for those dealing with anxiety and stress
Pastor Ian Solodky for knee injury
Little girl with Lyme disease symptoms
Joy Lane, sister of Wayne Dearolf for mass detected
Eileen Williams – muscles
Linda Philbin – motor neuropathy & cancer
Rosemary (Marilyn Jones' sister) healing
Terry Kofroth healing for back issues
Daryl for knee
Cheri Henry needs heart surgery; health issues; Chris
for knee problems (friends of Melodie)
Mary Hurdle - healing & transitions
Kathy Brandy Berry hand & shoulder pain
Jake Ruhl who is hospitalized at LGH
Dottie Sheaffer – infection and dementia
Bob Schroeder – recovering from heart surgery

OUR PRAISES:

All who are healing from various surgeries
Shelda's son Tim recovering from back surgery
New members and guests in worship

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



Welcome

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November 16, 2025 at 10:30AM – 23rd 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!

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

Buni Harbison

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Celebrate and rejoice, all you people of Christ,
Women: For the Lord our God is doing a new thing!
Men: The old order is gone,
All: everything is new!
Leader: Illness, disease and crying and mourning,
Women: shall be as a distant memory!
Men: Hatred and war shall cease from the earth,
All: For Christ has risen! Death is defeated!
Leader: Hallelujah! Jesus lives!
All: Hallelujah! Amen.

Buni Harbison & God’s People

From Worship Resource Archive

*HYMN	Shout to the Lord	MSFPW #16
SCRIPTURE LESSON	Isaiah 65:17-25 <i>This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!</i>	Lisa Baker
CHILDREN’S TIME		Pastor Jason
*HYMN	I’ll Fly Away	TFWS #2282
SCRIPTURE LESSON	Isaiah 12 <i>This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!</i>	Lisa Baker
THE PRAYERS OF GOD’S PEOPLE & THE LORD’S PRAYER		UMH #895
*HYMN	Stand By Me	UMH #512
SCRIPTURE LESSON	2 Thessalonians 3:6-13 <i>This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!</i>	Lisa Baker
OUR OFFERINGS: OF PRAYERS, PRESENCE, GIFTS, SERVICE & WITNESS		Pastor Jason
*DOXOLOGY	Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow	UMH #95
SCRIPTURE LESSON	Luke 21:5-19 <i>This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!</i>	Lisa Baker
SERMON	Rejoice Forever in Creation	Pastor Jason

*HYMN

Soon and Very Soon

UMH #706

*BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH

Pastor Jason

* You are invited to stand in body or in Spirit

Pianist: Jessica Maldonado AV Tech: Dennis Meck, Sr.

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

OFFICE COMMUNICATIONS: Paula Fultz, our Office Administrator, will be in the office and responding to messages Mon-Thur, 10AM–3PM. Pastor Jason will be on duty Mon-Thur, 10AM–5PM & Fri 10-Noon. His Sabbath is Friday at Noon -Sat. *Please call ahead to ensure that we are available and not in a meeting.*

NURSERY (1 year old - 3 years old) & **JUNIOR CHURCH** (4-years-old - 4th grade) are offered during the 10:30AM Worship Service. Please sign your child in before the service & get a numbered badge. *The Nursery is available at the start of the worship service.* **Children who are 4 years old-4th grade should stay in the service until after the Children’s Message during the worship service.** After worship, you will sign your children out in their classrooms in the Education Wing—except on the First Sundays when children will be brought to the Sanctuary as Communion begins.

YOUTH GROUP ON SUNDAYS, 5-7PM for 5th-12th graders. Each week there is dinner, games & a lesson. All students are invited. *Please sign up on the sheet in the hallway 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.**

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

FRIDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY with Pastor Jason at 10AM in the Adult Classroom in Education Wing.

THE CHURCH & SOCIETY TEAM engages in improving our community by standing up against injustice. **Next meeting: December 18 at 5PM (3rd Thursdays).** *Join us by Zoom at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82735304374?pwd=eDBSZHRCZVphSnh2TENDZ0xrdG0vQT09>.* Contact Renee Norman for more info. The **Criminal Justice & Bail Reform Team** meets at Noon every other Wed. *(Next meeting: Nov 26) <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82483314676?pwd=K2ZtZGQ0LzBOelVlVXQWUk5LR2VFQT09>.*

HANGING OF THE GREENS will take place **after worship on Sunday, Nov 23.** Come enjoy decorating the church and eating lunch with friends. Everyone is welcome! *If you would like to help with serving the meal that day, please contact the office.*

NEIGHBORS IN NEED: Two families have sought assistance with groceries. One family of four will be our focus until November 16. The second family of 10 was specifically concerned about Thanksgiving will be delivered the week of Thanksgiving. Sign-up sheet for the first family is in the hall. Deadline for this family of four is November 16. The family of ten will be from Nov. 16-23. Contact Amy Boughter or Diana Valentine for more info.

ESTIMATE OF GIVING CARDS: As we continue to plan and pray for the year ahead, we kindly ask that you return your Estimate of Giving card at your earliest convenience. Your response helps us steward our resources wisely and faithfully support the ministries that matter most to our community. If you have already returned your card—thank you! If not, you can mail to 1290 Fruitville Pike, Lititz, PA 17543 or put it in the office mailbox or the offering plate. We are grateful for your partnership in ministry and your commitment to the work God is doing through our church. *Although the deadline has passed, you may still turn yours in. This helps the Finance Team with their planning.*

SECRET SISTER forms are due by December 26, 2025. Please put completed forms in the box beside the Secret Sister basket. **Secret Sisters Reveal Brunch** for the 2025 participants will be on **Saturday, Dec 6, from 9-11AM.**

FINANCIAL UPDATE: Thank you for your generosity!! At this point in the year, we have a balanced budget with income just slightly exceeding expenses. However, there are some end-of-year expenses that we need to prepare for. So, please continue your faithful and generous donations. We have a healthy balance in our checking and savings account for various purposes including capital projects and a reserve for cash flow. Our goal is to finish 2025 with at least the same reserves that we began with. Please continue your faithful contributions to the ministries that we do together locally and in connection with the UMC worldwide. **We need an average of \$4,200 per week in giving** toward the general ministry budget and our mortgage payments.

Gifts can be directed to **General Ministry and/or the Debt Reduction / Building Fund** by marking your preference in the memo line & envelope. You can set up automatic gifts through your own bank or at <https://secure.myvanco.com/L-Z37Q/home>. There is a link at FaithUMC.us or via the **QR Code**. Special gifts from IRAs, stocks, etc. can also be received. You can also mail checks directly to the church.



SALEM’S LITTLE FREE PANTRY is in need of peanut butter & jelly. Place donations in the box at Faith UMC. Anyone in need can come at any time to get groceries on the porch at Salem Lutheran, 26 Owl Hill Rd, Lititz.

THE OREGON DAIRY SOUP: Pick up is Saturday, November 22 10AM-Noon. If you'd like to **volunteer to help fill quart containers, meet at 5:30 PM on Fri., November 21.** We also need a few people to **help distribute orders on Nov. 22 at 9:30AM.** There is a sign up sheet in the hall for volunteers.

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. We will be packaging the items and wrapping the boxes on Nov 30 after worship.**

FAITH BAKERS, we need lots of delicious homemade cookies for Faith's annual cookie sale on Sat., Dec. 13 (running together with Breakfast with Santa) from 8-10:30AM. Please put cookies in separate containers, labeling them as to type of cookie, whether gluten-free, and if they contain any nut based products. We need 4 dozen cookies of each kind so we can have lots of varieties to choose from. We have a holiday cookie reputation to live up to! There's a sign-up sheet in the hallway or you can call the church office to let us know you will be baking cookies. Questions? See or contact Gwen Newell or Marilyn Jones.

THE ELF SHELF is looking for twenty (20) coffee mugs for a craft. We are looking for ones that are solid colors or with a design (flower, car, etc.). No business logos or “best employee.” No cracked, chipped or stained ones. Contact Buni at (609)-546-57863 or buni.harbison1951@gmail.com. Thank you so much for your help.

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 in the hall. Please return them to Carol Kennedy's mailbox along with payment by Nov. 16.**

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 sixty Grab ‘n Go Meals quarterly.** Our next date is January 12. *Contact Carol Kennedy if you are interested in participating.*

HEALTHY MASCULINITY: Redefining Strength. Saturday, **Dec. 6 from 3:30PM-5PM at the Lancaster Public Library** Board Room. This is a group for adult men to explore how masculinity impacts mental health, relationships, media and more, and build tools for emotional resilience and authentic connection. More info and registration is available at: <https://ywcalanlancaster.org/events/healthy-masculinity>

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.**

ONGOING EVENTS:

Sundays

1st Sundays

1st & 3rd Tuesdays

Tuesdays

Tuesdays

Wednesdays

Wednesdays

Every Other Wednesday

1st Wednesdays

Thursdays

Thursdays

1st Thursdays

2nd Thursdays

3rd Thursdays

3rd Thursdays

4th Thursdays

Fridays

1st Saturdays

2nd Sat. (odd months)

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Sunday, Nov 16

Thursday, Nov 20

Friday, Nov 21

Saturday, Nov 22

Sunday, Nov 23

Wednesday, Nov 26

Thursday, Nov 27

Saturday, Nov 29

Sunday, Nov 30

Saturday, Dec 6

Saturday, Dec 6

Saturday, Dec 13

Sunday, Dec 26

WORSHIP LEADERS for Next Sunday, November 23

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Buni Harbison

GREETERS: John & Priscilla Rice

USHERS: John & Priscilla Rice

LITURGIST: Drew Hassara

CHILDREN’S TIME: Michelle Bame

JUNIOR CHURCH: Lisa Baker & Colette Borden

NURSERY: Diane Black

YOUTH GROUP: Pastor Jason, Pastor Ian Solodky & Bryan Nelson

Adult Sunday School, 9AM

Worship, 10:30AM in the Sanctuary and Facebook Live

Junior Church during 10:30AM worship

Youth Group at Faith, 5-7PM (*3rd Sundays are Gretna Glen Nights 3:30-7PM*)

Communion offered during worship service, followed by refreshments

Nar-Anon, 7:15-8:45PM at Faith UMC

Bible Study with Kathy, 6PM

Bible2School, 10:20AM-Noon

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Worship Team Practice, 6:45PM

POWER Criminal Justice Reform Team by Zoom, Noon

Women’s Lunch at Oregon Dairy, 11:30AM

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

Girl Scouts once a month, 5PM-6:30PM

Staff Parish Relations Committee (SPRC), 6PM

Finance Team, 6PM

Men’s Lunch at Oregon Dairy, 11:30AM

Church and Society Team (CST) by Zoom, 5PM – **CANCELLED 11/20**

Trustees (on even months) // Church Council (on odd months), 6PM

Bible Study, 10AM in the Adult Classroom at Faith UMC

Threads of Faith, 10AM

District Meeting of Al-Anon Leaders, 10-Noon

YOUTH TO GRETNA GLEN: Meet at Faith UMC at 3:30PM and return by 7PM

Church and Society Team - Cancelled (Next Meeting: Dec. 18, 5PM)

Church Council Meeting, 6PM (moved a week early due to Thanksgiving)

Soup Sale Preparation, 5:30PM

Oregon Dairy Soup Sale, 9:30AM Prep, 10AM-Noon Sale

Hanging of the Greens, after Worship

Thanksgiving Eve service at OCUMC, 7PM

Thanksgiving Day

Elf Shelf Setup – 9AM

Assemble Millersville Care Packages

Secret Sisters Reveal Brunch 9-11AM

Healthy Masculinity, Lancaster Public Library 3:30PM-5PM

Breakfast with Santa & Cookie Sale, 8AM-10:30AM

Secret Sister forms due