

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**THREADS OF FAITH** is for those who like to knit, sew, crochet or quilt. Join us from 10am - Noon at Faith UMC the first Saturday of each month inc. **Come Dec. 6 at 9AM to help with Elf Shelf Crafts.**

**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://ywcalandcaster.org/events/healthy-masculinity>

**YOUTH GROUP ON SUNDAYS, 5-7PM at Faith UMC** for 5th-12th graders. Each week there is dinner, games & a lesson. All students are invited. **Please contact Pastor Jason 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.**

**NEIGHBORS IN NEED: Two families have sought assistance with groceries.** One family of four will be our focus until November 16. Food for a family of 10 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.

**OREGON DAIRY SOUP SALE** at Faith UMC. All varieties available! Vegetable Beef, Chicken Corn Soup, Tomato Bisque, Creamy Potato Soup, Chicken Corn Noodle and Ham and Bean Soup. **\$12/quart. Pick up is Saturday, November 22nd 10am-12pm at Faith UMC. Soup is available while supplies last.**

**HANGING OF THE GREENS:** Sun. November 23, after Worship, we will decorate the church for Christmas. Please plan to stay that day to help hang wreaths, decorate the tree, etc.

**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 at Faith UMC. We will be packaging items & wrapping the boxes on Nov 30 after worship at Faith UMC.**

**SALEM'S LITTLE FREE PANTRY** is in need of **peanut butter and jelly**. You can donate this in the box in the hallway at Faith UMC. Anyone in need can come at any time to get groceries from this outdoor pantry located on the porch at Salem Lutheran, 26 Owl Hill Rd, Lititz.

**THE CHURCH & SOCIETY TEAM** stands up against injustice. **Next meeting: Dec. 18 at 5PM (3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs)** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82735304374?pwd=eDBSZHRCZVphSnh2TENDZ0xrdG0vQT09>.

The **Criminal Justice & Bail Reform Team** meets at Noon every other Wed. **Next meeting: Nov. 26.** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82483314676?pwd=K2ZtZGQ0LzBOelVlVXQwUk5LR2VFQT09>.

**SECRET SISTER** forms are due by December 7for next year. They are available in the back of the Sanctuary. This will be a joint effort between the women of Oregon Community and Faith UMC. Any woman who would like to be a part of encouraging, praying for, and providing small gifts for other women in the church are invited to participate. **Stay tuned for the Secret Sister Reveal for those who were part of the OCUMC Secret Sister in 2025.**

**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 at church. Please return them to Joetta Henry along with payment ASAP.

## Welcome to Oregon Community United Methodist Church



**Address:** 1214 Creek Road, Lititz, PA 17543

**Church Phone:** (717) 656-7198

**Website:** OregonCommunityUMC.us

**Facebook:** Oregon Community UMC

**Pastor:** The Rev. Jason Perkowski

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Mission of Oregon Community United Methodist Church:  
“**Making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation  
of our community and the world.**”

**SUNDAY WORSHIP** in Sanctuary at 9:00 AM at Oregon Community UMC  
**BROADCAST ONLINE** at 10:30 AM from Faith UMC on Facebook  
& church websites under *Online Worship*.

**OFFICE HOURS:** Pastor Jason is generally available Mon-Thurs from about 10-5pm—but has various meetings throughout the week. Call to make an appointment. He spends time with family from Friday at Noon through Saturday. If there is an emergency, please leave a detailed message.



# Oregon Community United Methodist Church

November 16, 2025 at 9:00 AM – 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

**W**ELCOME: 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!

**GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS** **Pastor Jason**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** **Pastor Jason & God’s People**

*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. *From Worship Resource Archive*

**\*HYMN** *Shout to the Lord* **TFWS #2074**

**SCRIPTURE LESSON** **Isaiah 65:17-25** **Bob Jolly**  
*This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!*

**\*HYMN** *I’ll Fly Away* **TFWS #2282**

**SCRIPTURE LESSON** **Isaiah 12** **Bob Jolly**  
*This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!*

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

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

**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:** Jody Wiker **Pastor:** The Rev. Jason Perkowski **Ministers:** The People of God  
**Liturgists:** November 2 Mike Shifflet; 9 Ralph Stone; 16 Bob Jolly; 23 Dot Lange 30 Pastor Jason

**BIRTHDAYS:** November 6 Dean Cooper; 7 Nancy Sims; 13 Jim Garner; 20 Jason Perkowski

**PRAYER REQUESTS:** Michael Mateer, cancer; Dean & Val Cooper, health; those who are grieving; Mary Ann Unangst for healing and strength; anxiety and stress; unity in the midst of differences; Jackie Black; Shifflet’s neighbor Bob; Katie at CHOP; Nat (friend of Wikers), cancer; Joanne (Jackie’s sister), scleroderma; Bobbi Ann Stone, healing; Vince Habel, heart & kidney; Shirley Baker & Cheryl Cooper, healing; Denny Armstrong, kidney failure; & all battling cancer and disease. **PRAISES:** God’s faithful love and grace; those healing from illnesses. **PRAYERS FOR THE WORLD:** All those affected by violence and hate; food & housing insecurity; mental health; senior citizens; addictions; those killed and injured in shootings; those affected by deportation and immigration policies; the unemployed & furloughed; Bishop Cynthia Moore-Koikoi; DS Freymoyer & EPAUMC Staff; Laity and Clergy; unity & love in the church; wisdom for elected leaders in US and worldwide; President Trump and VP Vance; people suffering from environmental disasters; struggles between the GMC and the UMC; NarSarah Clinic in Sierra Leone; Udobo School in Durban, South Africa; Christ Home for Children; Blackfeet UM Parish; the people of Israel, Palestine, the Middle East, Ukraine & Russia; veterans & military service members; police & medical personnel; the sick & caregivers; peace; wisdom & reconciliation; abused persons & abusers; incarcerated persons and prison staff; schools; foster families; etc.

**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.***

**CHURCH CLEANING/WORKDAYS:** 2nd Saturdays Next: **Dec. 13** from 9-11AM

**CHURCH COUNCIL:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays of ODD numbered months Next: **Nov. 20 is POSTPONED**

**OREGON COMMUNITY UMC ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL at 8 AM in the Fellowship Hall.**

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

**FRIDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY with Pastor Jason at 10AM in the Faith UMC Adult Classroom**

*Shout to the Lord (The Faith We Sing #2282 / Text & Music: Darlene Zschech / CCLI # 1406918)*

My Jesus, my Savior, Lord, there is none like You;  
All of my days, I want to praise the wonders of Your mighty love.  
My Comfort, my Shelter, tower of refuge and strength.  
Let every breath, all that I am, never cease to worship You.  
Shout to the Lord, all the earth, let us sing Power and majesty, praise to the King!  
Mountains bow down and the seas will roar at the sound of Your name.  
I sing for joy at the work of Your hands,  
Forever I'll love You, forever I'll stand; Nothing compares to the promise I have in You!

*I’ll Fly Away (The Faith We Sing #2282 / Text & Music: Albert E. Brumley / CCLI # 26399)*

Some glad morning when this life is o'er, I'll fly away; to a home on God's celestial shore, I'll fly away.  
**Refrain:** I'll fly away, O glory. I'll fly away. When I die, hallelujah, by and by, I'll fly away.  
When the shadows of this life have gone, I’ll fly away, like a bird from prison bars has flown,  
I’ll fly away. **(Refrain)**  
Just a few more weary days and then I'll fly away; to a land where joys shall never end,  
I'll fly away. **(Refrain)**