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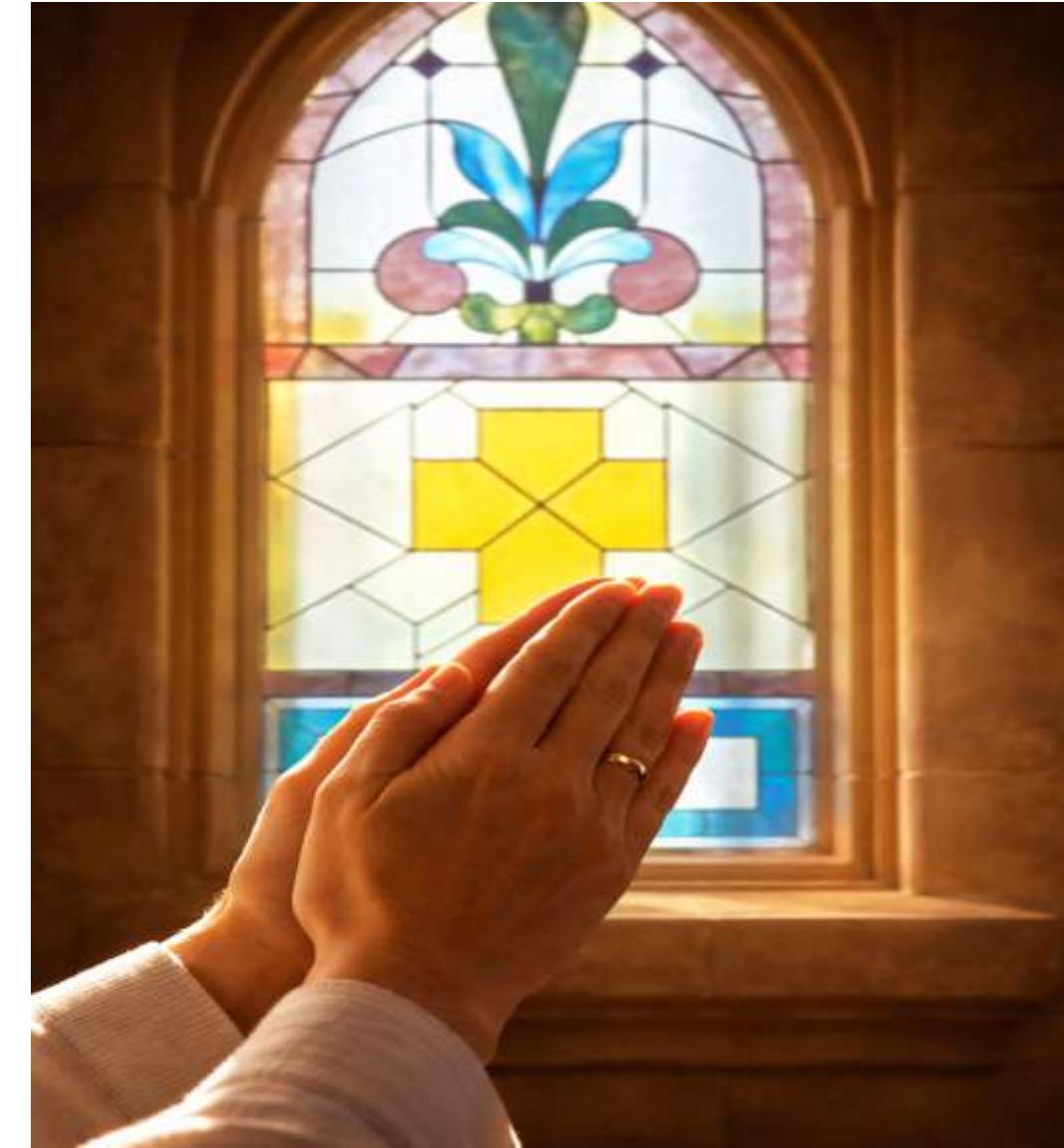
OUR CONCERNS:

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, the Middle East, Nigeria, Venezuela, Syria, Somalia, Yemen, etc.
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
Mary Shenk for Alzheimer's
Alfredo Vega, Jr – safety while on active duty
Sebastian for start of rehab
Mary Ann Unangst for healing and strength
Peace for those dealing with anxiety and stress
Eileen Williams – muscles
Linda Philbin – motor neuropathy & cancer

Those with cancer: Cyndi Campbell, Dean Grove, Mark Reitzel, Duane Lehman, Ruthie, Martin Campbell, Dorcas Kamanda, 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), Kole; Pat Oglesby (Laura G's sister); Eileen Landis, Janet (friend of Lisa); Bob Black – lung cancer; Priscilla Rice – lung cancer; Craig friend of Bob Lawrence
Terry Kofroth for upcoming test for continued pain
Daryl Hawthorne – knee pain and other health issues
Dottie Sheaffer – dementia & breathing issues
Craig & Nancy Hathaway
Peggy Burley regaining strength
Ray Carpenter – heart surgeries and broken femur
Ruthie Johnson for Health
Beth (Amy's friend) – recovery from back surgery
Garnett K. for health & balance issues
Garnett's daughter Kimberly Ann Wenger
Kathy, friend of Natalie, who had a stroke
Shelda Costello – healing from broken femur
Tom Boehm and Sheila Scriven – home and healing
Sandy Patschke – health and recovery from fall
Alex's (a friend of Bryan) grandmother in hospice
Jim & Buni's nephew on Southeast Asia mission trip with fellow Univ. of Delaware students
Gayle's friend Pearl (100 yo) who passed away
Buni Harbison – healing for rotator cuff surgery
Jeremy's wife Nickie (friends of Melodie) healing for kidney disease
Terry Kofroth, Daryl Hawthorne & family healing from COVID
Rich (Daryl's brother) recovering from a stroke
Jake Ruhl healing from infection
Eli (Annettes' grandson) –healing after surgery
Jason Martin, sore after car -accident
Prayers for the Bear family, friends of Melodie & Wayne Dearolf

OUR PRAISES:

All who are healing from various surgeries
Nevaeh Grace born to Amanda Ortiz & Tyler Fleenor
Miles Andrew born to Eric & Ashley Hassara
Dalton Michael born to Melodie & Wayne Dearolf's son David & Amber Hogan
Please submit prayer needs, praises, & updates by note or email to the office: faithumc@hotmail.com



Welcome

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Faith United Methodist Church



February 8, 2026 at 10:30AM – 5th Sunday after the Epiphany

WELCOME: We gather together to worship God: The Father, The Son, & the Holy Spirit. 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 worshiping online, please 'sign in' and add prayer requests by commenting on the video.*

GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

People of God, why are you here? **We gather to worship with our hearts and our lives.**

People of God, who do you worship? **We worship God, who loves us and teaches us to love.**

People of God, how do you worship?

We worship God by breaking the bonds of injustice and freeing the oppressed.

People of God, come, let us worship God, whose glory surrounds us!

May our worship demonstrate God's glory in our neighborhood, community, and the whole earth.

Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, July 2025.

*HYMN

The Heart of Worship

MSFPW2 #71

CHILDREN'S TIME

*HYMN

The Gift of Love

Michelle Bame

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

OUR OFFERINGS: OF PRAYERS, PRESENCE, GIFTS, SERVICE & WITNESS

***DOXOLOGY** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

UMH #408

UMH #895

*HYMN

Seek Ye First

Pastor Jason

UMH #95

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 6:1-22

Daryl Hawthorne

SERMON

Whose Praise Do You Want?

Pastor Jason

*HYMN

Take Time to Be Holy

UMH #395

** 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: Melodie Dearolf will be in the office 11AM- 2PM Monday to Thursday. Submit info for the Faith-a-Gram and Bulletin by Wednesday 11AM. Pastor Jason will be on duty Sunday-Thursday (10AM-5PM) in addition to evening meetings, classes, choir, etc. His Sabbath is Friday until Sunday morning. *Please call ahead to ensure that we are available and not in a meeting.*

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.**

LENTEN SEASON: Lent begins with an **Ash Wednesday Service on February 18 at 7PM at Oregon Community UMC**. We will remember Jesus' 40 days of prayer and fasting in the wilderness and receive communion and the imposition of ashes. This will begin a 40 day season (plus Sunday Celebrations) in preparation for Easter. **Holy Week** will include a **Maundy Thursday Service on April 2 at 7PM at Oregon Community UMC**, two **Good Friday Services at Noon and 7PM**, an **Easter Sunrise Service on April 5 at 6:15AM at Oregon Community UMC's Pavilion**, two **Easter Sunday Services at 9AM at OCUMC and 10:30AM at Faith UMC**.

NEW STUDY DURING ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL AT 9AM; *Outlive Your Life* by Max Lucado is new study, led by Michelle Bame, **that began February 1—but you can still join in.** Rooted in Acts 1 and 2, this series explores the truth that God created each of us—right now, in this moment—to make a meaningful difference. The study is planned as a four-week session, followed by time to discuss one or more service projects. Each gathering includes a short video and some light homework that we'll talk through the following week, so the full journey may run six to eight weeks. **Michelle is genuinely excited to begin and has workbooks available.** It's inspiring to consider that we're not only invited but commissioned to leave the world better than we found it.

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 Time".* After worship, you will sign your children out in their classrooms in the Education Wing—except on 1st 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.** *3rd Sundays are at Gretna Glen including on Sun., Feb. 15, meeting at Faith UMC at 3:30PM and return by 7PM*

OUR GRIEF SHARE SUPPORT GROUP meets **every Monday at 5PM** for anyone who has experienced the loss of a loved one and could use support and tools for dealing with all of the emotions and struggles that come from grief. Contact Pastor Jason for more info and register at: <http://bit.ly/3MeeZax>

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.

PASTOR'S MORNING BIBLE STUDY at 10AM on WEDNESDAYS in the Faith UMC Adult Classroom.

SIGN UP SHEETS: There are several spaces where you can volunteer to support our ministries. You can **sign up in the hallway** to provide a meal for youth, help as a greeter or usher, nursery & junior church helper, serve on altar guild resetting the paraments in the front of the church, or providing refreshments on Communion Sunday.

EDUCATION TEAM MEETING FOR ALL VOLUNTEERS IN OUR SUNDAY MORNING CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS is **Feb. 15th 11:45 AM.** We will meet in the Junior Church classroom for all current volunteers and those who may be interested. We will discuss how the program is working, clarify any updates that we may need to make, and generally check in with volunteers. **We are looking for new adult and youth volunteers to help in our nursery and junior church.** We are on a rotation, based on our volunteers' availability. We provide lesson plans. For more info, come to the meeting or contact Lisa Baker at 717-615-6707 or lisa.baker2294@gmail.com.

TODAY IS SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY. If you forgot to bring some canned soup to share with our local food bank it's not too late, we will be collecting through the end of February.

CHILI FUNDRAISER, Sunday February 8th from Noon to 2pm (or sold out). Vegan or Meat Based Chili: \$15 Quarts or \$8 Pints. **TAKE OUT ONLY.** *No eat in service* so that we may all enjoy eating chili while watching the Superbowl. Pay online at www.FaithUMC.us → Online Giving --> Chili Fundraiser. Walk-ins are cheerfully welcomed while supplies last. *You do need to select the specific size for Pints versus Quarts—mind your Ps and Qs.*

CAR SHOW: We are tentatively planning a Car Show Fundraiser in August at Faith UMC. Charlie Parmer is leading this event. We are meeting on **Thursday, Feb 12 at 6:30PM** in the Fellowship Hall to plan for this. Please join us if you are interested in being a part of the planning team for this "fun"draiser event!

FINANCIAL UPDATE: In 2026, we will need an average of \$3,430/week in giving towards our General Ministry Fund and \$770 towards our Mortgage/Debt Reduction. As you consider what to give, we recommend $\frac{3}{4}$ of your offering being allocated to the General Ministry Fund and $\frac{1}{4}$ of your gifts to the Mortgage/Debt Reduction Fund. *For example, if you give \$100 per week, we recommend \$75 to General Ministry and \$25 to Mortgage/Debt Reduction.*

You can set up automatic gifts through your own bank, mail checks directly to the church, place an offering in the plate on a Sunday, or donate online by scanning the QR Code, clicking www.FaithUMC.US → "Online Giving" or go to <https://secure.myvanco.com/L-Z37Q/home>.



FINANCIAL PLANNING: You can leave a gift to the church in your will—along with a testimony that shares a statement of faith with your family and friends? You can make a donation to the church through your annual Required Minimum Distributions from investments—and benefit from this as a tax-sheltered donation. There are many ways to give beyond just your traditional income. *For more info, please contact Pastor Jason.*

THE CHURCH & SOCIETY TEAM engages in improving our community by standing up against injustice. **Next meeting: Feb. 19 at 5PM (3rd Thursdays).** Contact Renee Norman for info. **Join us by Zoom at:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82735304374?pwd=eDBSZHRCZVphSnh2TENDZ0xrdG0vQT09>.

At that meeting we will discuss an excerpt from *White Fragility: Why It's So Hard for White People to Talk About Racism*, written by [Dr. Robin DiAngelo](#). Contact Pastor Jason or Renee to get a copy.

THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE & BAIL REFORM TEAM **Next meeting: February 18 at Noon (every other Wednesday).** **Join by Zoom at:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82483314676?pwd=K2ZtZGQ0LzBOelVIVXQwUk5LR2VFQT09>.

SALEM'S LITTLE FREE PANTRY: Place donations in the box at Faith UMC. The pantry accepts in date canned goods (tuna, chicken, soup, vegetables, fruit), cereal, shelf stable milk, peanut butter, jelly, boxed macaroni & cheese, ramen noodles, rice, spaghetti sauce and pasta. Anyone in need can come at any time to get groceries on the porch at Salem Lutheran, 26 Owl Hill Rd, Lititz.

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.

DO YOU HAVE ANY JEWELRY THAT YOU NO LONGER WEAR? Maybe some that is broken? Please give it to the jewelry room that we will have during the May yard sale. There is a table in the purple room to put it.

GRAB 'N GO COMMUNITY MEAL for those in need at Zion Lutheran Church in East Petersburg every Monday. Faith UMC provides sixty meals quarterly. **Our next meal will be March 2.** Contact Carol Kennedy to help. **We are looking for a volunteer or a pair of volunteers to take the lead on this ministry. Please let Carol or Pastor Jason know if you are willing to help prepare and deliver these meals to Zion Lutheran quarterly.**

WEST DISTRICT TOOLS FOR MINISTRY 2026 on **February 28, 2026** at Salem UMC: **Manheim. \$10 registration.** This is a training opportunity for laity and clergy. Sessions will provide innovative ideas on how to expand ministries beyond the church walls, prepare you for various leadership roles in the church, and offer networking opportunities with other members of the UMC. Light refreshments will be available. Pre-registration is strongly encouraged, but walk-ins will be welcome as space permits. **Workshop list and registration at:** <https://www.epaumc.org/news/2026-tools-for-ministry/>

BABY SHOWER AND MEAL CHAIN: January 27th the Ortiz Family welcomed Nevaeh Grace. Julie Perkowski (contact her for more info at 333-9238) has created a sign-up sheet using "**Take Them a Meal**" to provide dinners thru Fri., Feb. 13: <https://takethemameal.com/DJAA0335> We will also have a "**Diapers and Wipes**" (& **Gift Card Baby Shower** after church on Sun., Feb. 22 in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone is invited to come and bless this young family.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Sunday, Feb. 8
Thursday, Feb. 12
Sunday, Feb. 15

Wednesday, Feb. 18
Sunday, Feb. 22
Saturday, Feb. 28
Thursday, April 2
Friday, April 3
Sunday, April 5

Saturday, March 21
Sunday, April 19

ONGOING EVENTS:

Sundays

1st Sundays
1st & 3rd Tuesdays
Mondays
Tuesdays
Tuesdays
Wednesdays
Wednesdays
Wednesdays
Every Other Wednesday
1st Wednesdays
Thursdays
Thursdays
1st Thursdays
2nd Thursdays
3rd Thursdays
3rd Thursdays
3rd Thursdays
4th Thursdays
1st Saturdays
2nd Sat. (odd months)

Adult Sunday School, 9AM - **Outlive Your Life** by Max Lucado
Worship, 10:30AM in the Sanctuary and Facebook Live
Junior Church during 10:30AM worship
Youth Group at Faith, 5-7PM (**3rd Sundays at Gretna Glen from 3:30-7pm**)
Communion offered during worship service, followed by refreshments
Nar-Anon, 7:15-8:45PM at Faith UMC
Grief Share, 5PM in Adult Classroom
Bible2School, 10:20AM-Noon
Bible Study on Prayers and Psalms with Kathy, 6PM
Pastor's Bible Study, 10AM at Faith UMC
Bible2School, 10:20AM-1:20PM
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
Oregon Community UMC Church Council, 6:30PM
Men's Lunch at Oregon Dairy, 11:30AM
Church and Society Team (CST) by Zoom, 5PM
Finance Team, 6PM ← New week of the month
Trustees (on *even* months) // **Church Council** (on *odd* months), 6PM
Threads of Faith, 10AM
District Meeting of Al-Anon Leaders, 10-Noon

WORSHIP LEADERS for February 15th

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Michelle Bame
GREETERS: Terry Kofroth & Volunteer Needed
USHERS: Daryl Hawthorne & Gwen Newell
LITURGIST: Lisa Baker
CHILDREN'S TIME: Pastor Jason
JUNIOR CHURCH: Erich Byers & **Volunteer Needed**
NURSERY: Ann Byers
YOUTH GROUP: Pastor Jason & Bryan Nelson
YOUTH GROUP MEAL: **To Gretna Glen – No Meal Needed**