

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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 GRETN A GLEN on Sun., Feb. 15 and March 15, meeting at Faith UMC at 3:30PM and returning 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 associated emotions & struggles. Contact Pastor Jason for more info and go here to register: <http://bit.ly/3MeeZax>

EVENING BIBLE STUDY WITH KATHY “Meet Yourself in the Psalms” 6PM-7:30PM on Tuesdays at Faith UMC. We will read through Psalms and explore how to pray more holistically. No meeting Jan. 13. Classes will resume Jan. 20.

PASTOR’S MORNING BIBLE STUDY at 10AM on Wednesdays at Faith UMC

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 including **February 7 at 9AM.**

CHURCH CLEANING/WORKDAYS: 2nd Saturdays Next: Feb. 14 from 9-11AM

CHURCH COUNCIL: Next: Jan. 29 (rescheduled from earlier this month) at 6:30PM and then on the **2nd Thursdays** of ODD numbered months ***moving forward including March 12.***

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.

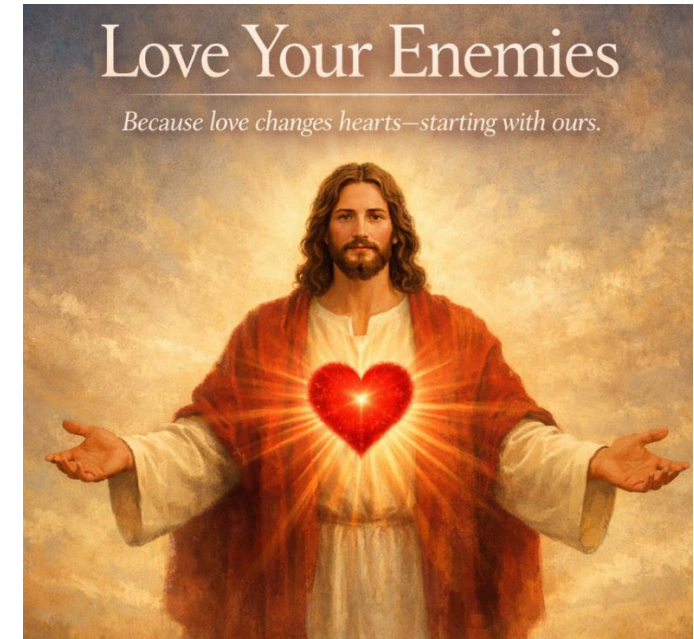
THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE & BAIL REFORM TEAM Next meeting: **Feb. 4 at Noon** (every other Wednesday). Join by **Zoom at:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82483314676?pwd=K2ZtZGQ0LzBOelVlVXQwUk5LR2VFQT09>.

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.

FINANCIAL PLANNING: Did you know that you could 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 also 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 that may provide benefits to you. *If you would like more info, please contact Pastor Jason who can help put you in touch with financial resources.*

Welcome to Oregon Community United Methodist Church



Address: 1214 Creek Road, Lititz, PA 17543

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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 Sundays and 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 through Sunday morning. *If there is an emergency, please leave a detailed message.*



Oregon Community United Methodist Church

January 25, 2026 at 9:00AM – 3rd 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!

GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS **Pastor Jason**

***CALL TO WORSHIP** **Pastor Jason & God’s People**
Children of God, when fears press in on every side, we can proclaim with confidence:
God is our light and salvation! Whom shall we fear?
When our problems overwhelm us and we feel pressed in on every side, we can declare with confidence:
God is the stronghold of our lives! Of whom shall we be afraid?
No matter the troubles we face, we seek after God and to live in the house of God forever.
God shelters and protects us in the day of trouble.
Come; let us worship God with joy, for God is our light and salvation!
We come to worship as bearers of the Light. Thanks be to God! Amen.

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

***HYMN** *This Little Light of Mine* **UMH #585**

SCRIPTURE LESSON **Matthew 5: 13-20** **Pastor Jason**
This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!

***HYMN** *We Meet You, O Christ* **UMH #257**

CHILDREN’S TIME **Pastor Jason**

SCRIPTURE LESSON **Matthew 5: 21-26** **Pastor Jason**
This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!

THE PRAYERS OF GOD’S PEOPLE & THE LORD’S PRAYER **UMH #895**

OUR OFFERINGS: OF PRAYERS, PRESENCE, GIFTS, SERVICE & WITNESS **Pastor Jason**
***DOXOLOGY** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* **UMH #95**

***A COVENANT PRAYER IN THE WESLEYAN TRADITION** **UMH #607**

***HYMN** *For the Healing of the Nations* **UMH #428**

SCRIPTURE LESSON **Matthew 5:38-48** **Pastor Jason**
This is the Word of the Lord — Thanks be to God!

SERMON *Heart of the Law* **Pastor Jason**

***HYMN** *Lift Every Voice and Sing* **UMH #519**

***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: January 4 Mike Shifflet; 11 Pastor Jason; 18 Bob Jolly; 25 Dot Lange

BIRTHDAYS: January 9 Joetta Henry

PRAYER REQUESTS: The former congregants of Ross Street UMC; Denny Mateer healing from surgery; Nancy’s friend with feeding tube; Dean & Val Cooper, health; those who are grieving; anxiety and stress; unity & love; 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; & all battling cancer and disease. **PRAISES:** God’s faithful love and grace; those healing from illnesses. **PRAYERS FOR THE WORLD:** Those killed by ICE Officers and safety and wisdom for the officers; those affected by violence and hate; food & housing insecurity; mental health; senior citizens; addictions; deportation and immigration policies; the unemployed; Bishop Cynthia Moore-Koikoi; DS Freymoyer & EPAUMC Staff; Laity and Clergy; wisdom for elected leaders; President Trump and VP Vance; people suffering from environmental disasters; 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, Nigeria, Venezuela, Syria, Somalia, Yemen, Minnesota, Greenland, Canada, etc.; veterans & military service members; police & medical personnel; the sick & caregivers; peace; 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 to reach the **United Way Call Center for social services.** The Crisis Intervention Lifeline is (717) 394-2631 or *dial 9-8-8.*

SECRET SISTER “TEA” OFF – January 31, 10AM. If you signed up to be a part of the 2026 Secret Sister Program that includes women from Oregon Community UMC and Faith UMC, then you are invited to this kick off event to get to know the other women who are involved. Contact Amy Boughter to RSVP.

CHILI FUNDRAISER at Faith UMC on 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. Preorders may be placed at www.FaithUMC.us → Online Giving -- > Chili Fundraiser. Ordering in advance guarantees availability, but walk-ins are cheerfully welcomed while supplies last. ***You do need to select the specific tile for Pints versus Quarts—please mind your Ps and Qs.***

FAITH UMC WELCOMES MELODIE AS INTERIM OFFICE STAFF: I was born and raised in Maryland and, in my younger years, lived in Texas, Alabama, Ohio, and Hawaii. I’ve called Lancaster County home since 1986, and it truly is where my heart is. Wayne and I have been married for nearly 26 years. I’m blessed with three grown sons and seven grandchildren. Something many people don’t know about me is that I once owned horses. The barn was my happy place, a space that brought me peace and joy. **Melodie will tentatively be in the Faith UMC office from 11AM-2PM Mon-Thursday each week.**

NEW MEMBERS: Contact Pastor Jason if you would like more info on becoming a member at OCUMC.

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.**