

### **Prayer Concerns**

First Responders	Brian R.
Victims of natural disasters	Frank M.
Those suffering from mental illness	Bill & Vince, lifted by Reba Y. Jim, friend of Marilyn & Bill R.
Those affected by gun violence	Connie C.
Those who are homeless	Sheryl, lifted by Sally S.
Stephen Ministers and Care Receivers	Selene, lifted by Carole A. Keith A.
Our condolences to Ray & Jane B. following the passing of Ray's cousin, Carol Tom M. & Family	Donna, sister of Carol N. Donna, friend of Judy K.
Danielle, lifted by Alice & Andy Ron W.	Andy, Faye W.'s son
Josh O. & Guylene H.	Israel, Sarah J.'s student
Dallas, Terri W.'s father	Bev, lifted by Josh O.
Bobbi, Terri W.'s sister	Zack, son of Jennifer G.
Barbara B.	Steve, Mary Ellen M.'s son
Viola C.	Dusty, nephew of Reba Y.
Susan W.	Darlene, friend of Barb A.
Carolyn and Alex B.	Sterling B.
Danielle, Gwen's granddaughter	Dawn, friend of Susan W.
Mary, Sue S.'s mother	Jeff, friend of Judy K.
Gwen H.	Bob, Carole B.'s son
Donald R.	Kifah, friend of David L.
Mary Lou L.	Matthew F., USAF
	Lt. Col Bill G., USMC
	Christopher Y., USAF

### ***This Week's Birthdays and Anniversaries***

February 8	Rachael Berry	February 12	Beth Cruz
February 9	Don Awig	February 13	Andrew Sabin
February 10	Emily Brown		
February 13	Jean & Gary Scothon		

## **North Olmsted United Methodist Church**



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**February 7, 2021** Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

### ***Welcome and Passing of the Peace***

L: The grace and love of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.  
P: **And also with you.**

### ***Ministries and Missions Announcements***

<b>Prelude</b>	<i>In Faith I Quiet Wait</i>	J.S. Bach
	Marlene Dirksen	

<b>Call to Worship</b>	John Vas
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L: Come, rejoice and sing!  
God's love is showered over you this day.  
P: **We gather to praise God and celebrate God's presence with us.**  
L: God shows compassion to all who are weak and downtrodden.  
P: **Jesus Christ offers healing mercies to our troubled souls.**  
L: Praise be to God who has called us here.  
P: **Thanks be to God for God's eternal love. Amen.**

**Old Testament Reading** Psalm 147:1-11, 20c

**Unison Prayer**

Powerful God, from the very beginning you blessed creation. You have loved and shielded your people through all joys and trials of life. We come to you this day, rejoicing in the many blessings you have given to us. We open our hearts again to hear your word for us and to gather strength and joy for service in your world. Be with us and bless us again, we pray. Amen.

**Hymn** *O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing* UMH 57  
(vv. 1-5)

Vocalist: Gabriela Martinez; Pianist: Javier Gonzalez

**Prayers of the People**

**Prayer Concerns** (back of bulletin)

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Prayer of Confession**

How can we look at this world and not sing of your praises, O God? The beauty and majesty of the world is overpowering! Yet we have a tendency to take all that you do for us for granted. We treat the world with callous indifference, using its resources carelessly and with little regard to the future. We insist on war as solutions for problems rather than peaceful striving. We turn our backs on people in need, the weak and downtrodden go unnoticed in our midst. We always believe that someone else will care for those in need. How foolish we are, O God! How ignorant we have become! You have given to us all that we need. You have blessed us with the witness of Jesus Christ who came so that we might learn how you would have us live, in honor and peace. Forgive us. Heal our hearts and spirits. Make us fully aware of all our blessings and our responsibilities. Give us again a spirit of joy in serving you. Help us be agents of peace and hope to others. For we offer this prayer in Jesus' Name. Amen.

**Words of Assurance**

Jesus has come to heal our spirits and our souls. The demons of arrogance, indifference, and apathy are being cast out. New life is offered to you in Jesus Christ. Rejoice! Be glad! For God's love is poured out to you this day. Amen.

**The Lord's Prayer**

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

**The Offering with Prayer**

*Please continue to be faithful with your financial gifts by sending your stewardship contribution to the church office to the attention of the Financial Secretary, Ed Brewster.*

**Gospel Reading** Mark 1:29-39

**Hymn** *There Is a Balm in Gilead* UMH 375  
Vocalist: Gabriela Martinez; Pianist: Javier Gonzalez

**Sermon** "Quality Time" Rev. Hoyte L. Wilhelm

**Sacrament of Holy Communion**

**Hymn** *We've a Story to Tell to the Nations* UMH 569  
Vocalist: Gabriela Martinez; Pianist: Javier Gonzalez

**Benediction**

**Postlude** *Allegretto* Henry Purcell  
Marlene Dirksen