

# Welcome to North Olmsted United Methodist Church!

## Announcements for Sunday, June 13, 2021

### Congratulations to Our Graduates,

### whose accomplishments we will be celebrating during worship today!

**Congratulations to Sara Bridges!** Sara is a graduate of Xavier University in Cincinnati, where she earned a Bachelor of Arts in International Studies and a minor in Economics. Sarah is currently interviewing for a job in the Cincinnati area, and she hopes to become a coach for the fencing club.

**Congratulations to Derek Busser!** Derek is a graduate of Olmsted Falls High School and of the Polaris Aeronautics Program. Derek was able to maintain a good GPA while working, playing sports, and participating in marching band. His parents are most proud that Derek is a great friend and that he has a GREAT heart. He will be attending Kent State University on scholarship in the fall, and he hopes to become an Air Traffic Controller upon graduation.

**Congratulations to Amy Cooper!** Amy is a graduate of North Olmsted High School. During her Senior year, Amy participated in the SITES program which enabled her to volunteer at Forest Elementary in the Kindergarten and 2nd grade classrooms. Amy is a 4 year member of the Eaglet Kickline Team, and was Co-Captain during her Senior year. Amy works at Chipotle. She will be attending Cuyahoga Community College in the fall, where she will be studying Radiology.

**Congratulations to Tasia Kikuharu!** Tasia is a graduate of Westlake High School, where she received straight A's and was a member of the National Arts Honor Society. She is also a graduate of the Westshore Career and Technical School in Lakewood. Tasia has enjoyed working several jobs through high school, including at GFS, Ray Ann Nursing Home, The Veterans Administration, and Mary Queen of Peace Catholic Church. Tasia will be looking for employment in a permanent position that she enjoys after graduation.

**Congratulations to Emily Krueger!** Emily used her COVID quarantine time wisely by finishing up her degree. She is now a graduate of Cuyahoga Community College with an Associate of Applied Business in Visual Communication & Design with a concentration in Illustration. While attending CCC, Emily was on the Dean's list. She will be furthering her education by pursuing a degree in Graphic Design, and her goal is to have a career in Character Design, Storyboarding, or to become a Graphic Novelist.

**Congratulations to Jessica Plogger!** Jessica completed her high school requirements at the end of 2020, and she graduated from North Olmsted High School and attended her commencement ceremony along with the rest of her class on June 4. Since the beginning of the year, Jessica has been taking CCP classes at Cuyahoga Community College, where she has already earned 19 college credits. She was a member of the Key Club, and she earned the Presidential Award of Educational Excellence. She is a member of the 4H Club and has volunteered much of her time at Fairview Hospital. In the Fall, Jessica will attend Baldwin Wallace University, where she has been accepted as an Honor Student, and she will enter BW with one class short of her Sophomore year. Jessica will double major in Adolescent/Young Adult Education and in Psychology. She hopes to become a high school life sciences teacher or a high school counselor.

*Join us as we continue to celebrate our graduates with a small reception outside after worship. Blessings and best wishes to all of our grads from your NOUMC family! We are so very proud of you all!*

### **Thank You, Teachers! (Well, Teacher, that is!)**

It's been a year like no other in our Sunday School classrooms, with all of our instruction being done online due to COVID. Because of this, we have had only one Sunday School teacher this year. Today we will be honoring and thanking **Craig Mueller**, who worked very hard to bring wonderful online studies and fellowship to our adult class. Craig, your time and service are very much appreciated! We hope you enjoy some well-deserved rest this summer!

### **Graduation Party Invitation**

*Saturday, June 26, 2 pm – 8 pm*

Bill and Wendy Cooper would like to invite the members of our congregation to join them in celebrating Amy's graduation from North Olmsted High School. They will be having a party for her on June 26 from 2 pm – 8 pm at the North Olmsted Park Community Pavilion, located behind the Senior Center, 28114 Lorain Road, North Olmsted Ohio. All are welcome!

### **View the Livestream of Annual Conference 2021**

*Wednesday, June 16 - Saturday, June 19*

The worship services and business session presentations of Annual Conference 2021, June 16-19, will be live inside the John S. Knight Center in Akron with clergy and lay members of conference participating remotely via Zoom and voting online. All EOC clergy and laity can view the livestream feed of the services and sessions of AC 2021 on the Conference website.

[View the AC Livestream Beginning June 16.](#)

[Visit the Annual Conference 2021 website.](#)

### **Oxcart Pantry Collection**

*Collecting pasta and sauce until June 27*

The Oxcart Pantry is collecting food donations again! This month, we are collecting pasta and sauce. All types of pasta and sauce in cans or jars are needed. Put all donations in the Oxcart Pantry bin in Fellowship Hall.

### **July Agape Deadline**

*Tuesday, June 15*

Tuesday is the last day to submit articles for the July Agape Newsletter. Thank you for emailing articles and meeting dates to [office@noumc.org](mailto:office@noumc.org) or mailing them to the office, attention Megan Howe, by June 15.

## Racial Justice Group

*Wednesday, June 16; 12 pm - 1 pm; Zoom*

All are welcome to our discussion of the book, *Uncomfortable Conversations with a Black Man*, by Emmanuel Acho. Please read chapters 1-2 for our discussion on June 16. It should be uncomfortable! The book is available on Kindle and in several different formats from the library.

We welcome new people to join our new discussions. We meet at lunchtime so people may be able to join from work. We also have people in our group from out of town. Tell a friend!

Please watch this short video with Chip and Joanna Gaines talking to Acho:

[Seeing Color - Uncomfortable Conversations with a Black Man - Ep. 3 w/ Chip & Joanna Gaines + kids](#)

If you have questions, please contact Janis at [janisjar@yahoo.com](mailto:janisjar@yahoo.com).

## Adult Fellowship Potluck Picnic

*Saturday, June 19, 5 pm, at the home of Sarah Jackson*

Adult Fellowship is sponsoring a hot dog potluck picnic on Saturday, June 19 in Sarah Jackson's backyard at 5 pm. Park on the east side of the road (fire hydrant law).

Bring a dish to share and your own beverage. RSVP to Sarah at 440-777-4169, or by email at [sejmarykay@hotmail.com](mailto:sejmarykay@hotmail.com) so she knows how many tables and chairs to set up.



## Support Camperships

*Penny Sunday is Next Sunday, June 20*

Our June Penny Sunday offering will provide financial assistance for youth attending one of our United Methodist summer camps. Camp Aldersgate, Camp Asbury, and Camp Wanake will be reopening with activities and procedures modified to meet COVID requirements. After a year of social distancing and isolation, please give generously to support this opportunity for youth to interact with each other in a fun and relaxed atmosphere and to experience God in the beauty of creation.

*Make checks payable to NOUMC and write **June Penny Sunday** in the memo. Send checks to the church office, attention Ed Brewster, Financial Secretary.* There will also be an offering plate available at the back of the Sanctuary for those who worship with us in-person.

## Opportunities to Serve in Worship

As we continue living our new normal with regard to in-person worship opportunities, you are invited to

help us offer meaningful worship by serving in the following ways:

***Serving as a greeter***, welcoming worshipers as they enter the building and providing any needed information regarding safe worship.

***Serving as an usher***, helping to set up for worship, welcoming people and helping them to find seating, gathering prayer cards to give to Pastor Hoyte, gathering attendance data, lighting altar candles, etc. Please contact Megan at [office@noumc.org](mailto:office@noumc.org) or ext. 10 if you are interested in being added to the greeter or usher rotation.

### **Altar Flowers**

You are invited to provide the altar flowers for our Sunday worship service. Flowers may be dedicated in honor or in memory of a loved one or to the Glory of God. Please sign up on the bulletin board in the entryway, or contact Megan at [office@noumc.org](mailto:office@noumc.org) or ext. 10 with a specific date. Contact the church office to make any special flower or color requests and to provide the dedication for the bulletin.

An arrangement costs \$25; *make checks payable to NOUMC and write altar flowers in the memo*. Payment can be made by putting your check in the offering plate on Sunday or by sending your check to the church office, attention Ed Brewster, Financial Secretary.

### **Upcoming Meetings and Small Groups**

Racial Justice Group: Wednesday, June 16, 12 pm – 1 pm, Zoom

Adult Fellowship Picnic: Saturday, June 19, 5 pm, at the home of Sarah Jackson

### **Office Hours**

Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays 10 am – 2 pm

On Tuesdays, Megan will work from home and will check phone messages and email during office hours (10 am – 2 pm).

### **Our Guiding Principles**

- We appreciate and invest in our youth.
- We actively serve our neighbors in the North Olmsted community and the wider world.
- We provide varied opportunities for people to grow in their faith.
- We welcome and nurture a diverse congregation who become extended family.
- We foster lasting personal relationships, which are especially important in a digital world.

***Our Faithful  
Journey***

