

Agape

Greek for "Love without Limits"

North Olmsted United Methodist Church

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Congratulations to Our Graduates!

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 will graduate from North Olmsted High School and attend 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.

We will celebrate our graduates on June 13 during worship, followed by a small outdoor reception. Please be sure to join us! Blessings and best wishes to all of you from your NOUMC family! We are so very proud of you all!



Worship with Us!

Worship with Us In-Person and Online

Sundays at 10:30 am

(face masks and physical distancing required)

Online on our [YouTube channel](#).

For more information and assistance, visit www.noumc.org or our [Facebook page](#).

Visit <http://www.noumc.org/worship-remote-worship-resources/> for bulletins and weekly announcements.

Date	Liturgist	Usher(s)
June 6	John Wolter	Judi Wagner & Guylene Harold
June 13	Marilyn Ransom	Sarah Jackson
June 20	Mary Lou Fitzgerald	Barb & Ron Clough
June 27	Chris Byrns	Judi Wagner & Guylene Harold

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 noumc@noumc.org or ext. 10 if you are interested in being added to the greeter or usher rotation.

Opportunities to Give

Support Camperships

Penny Sunday is 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.*

Church Office Updates

Office Hours

Beginning June 1

Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday 10 am - 2 pm

On Tuesday, Megan will work from home but will continue to check her email and voicemail during office hours (10 am - 2 pm).

Pastoral Care

Please reach out to Pastor Hoyte by using his cell phone or email address (330-428-1545 or noumc@noumc.org) if you have any questions or want to schedule an individual time to talk.

Pastor Hoyte continues to keep you in his thoughts and prayers. God *IS* with us!

Stay Connected—We Are Not Alone

If you would like to subscribe to receive weekly e-newsletters, up-to-date email announcements from Pastor Hoyte, and prayer concerns from the congregation, email noumc@noumc.org.

Financial Contributions to North Olmsted United Methodist Church

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

For those who worship with us in person, the ushers will have an offering plate available on Sunday.

July Agape Deadline

June 15

Please email articles and meeting dates to noumc@noumc.org, mail them to the church, attention Megan Howe, or put them in the Administrative Assistant's mailbox outside the church office by June 15.

Church Staff: 440-779-6634

Pastor: Hoyte Wilhelm
ext.16
cell: 330-428-1545

Director of Christian Education:
Wendy Cooper
ext.13

Organist: Marlene Dirksen

Admin. Assistant: Megan Howe
ext.10

Youth Director: Chris Byrns
ext. 14

Music Director: Gabriela Martinez

Social Media: Hanna Moore

United Methodist Women

Plant Sale Thank You!

The UMW wants to thank you for your support during this strange period in our history. Even with no in-person church services, you supported our Dean's plant sale to the tune of about \$1100 profit, our biggest sale ever. A special thanks to our biggest salesman, Alex. This is always a fun sale since we get some money to hand out later in the year, and you get beautiful and bountiful yards. As I write this article, we are preparing for our FUNdraiser and thank you in advance for your donations to this event.

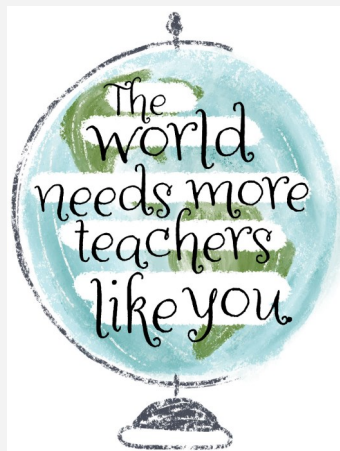


Next UMW Meeting

Wednesday, June 2, 10 am, classroom 7

We will do some planning at our next meeting the first week of June to see if we can get back to our normal schedule very soon. See future newsletters and bulletins for upcoming plans.

Christian Education



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 really only had one Sunday School teacher this year! Thank you SO VERY MUCH to **Craig Mueller**, who worked very hard to bring wonderful online studies and fellowship to our adult class. Craig, your time and service is very much appreciated! We hope you enjoy some well-deserved rest this summer!

Thank You for Supporting the Sunday School Africa University Mission Project!

To all who purchased flowers to decorate our altar for our Christmas Eve service: \$217.00 was raised.

To all who purchased flowers to decorate our altar on Easter Sunday: \$284.30 was raised.

To those who sent in donations just because: \$580.00 was raised.

And finally, to all who gave their change on Penny Sunday in October and April: \$280.00 was raised.

As we wrap up our Sunday School Mission Project for the year and get ready to send off the money we raised, the youth and I would like to say thank you to all of you for your support and your donations over the past several months. Because of you, we will be donating **\$1361.30** to help the East Ohio Conference build a safe dormitory for women attending Africa University!

—Wendy Cooper, Director of Christian Education

Church Family News

1	Jennifer G.
3	Makena C.
4	Barb A.
4	Asher B.
5	Joan L.
5	Matias G.
5	Minna B.
7	Emily J.
13	Walt S.
14	Rebecca W.
18	Shawn M.
19	Matthew G.

JUNE



22	Wesley W.	1	Amye & Ron S.	18	Virginia & Rev. Mark S.
22	Alex K.	9	Kara Q. & Christopher H.	25	Barb & Floyd A.
27	Stanley M.	14	Barb & Ray S.	26	Sally & Will S.
29	Kara M.	16	Kim & Daniel B.	27	Terri & Rev. Hoyte W.
30	Amy C.	17	Judi & Ron W.	27	Michelle & John W.

Prayer Concerns

First Responders

Victims of natural disasters

Those suffering from mental illness

Those affected by gun violence

Those who are homeless

Stephen Ministers, Care Receivers

David, lifted by Judy K.

Carol W.

Josh W.

Sally S.

Jennifer, sister-in-law of

Pastor Hoyte

Mary Lou L.

Judy K.

Ron W.

Josh O.

Dallas & Bobbi, lifted by

Terri W.

Barbara B.

Viola C.

Susan W.

Mary, Sue S.'s mother

Jeff, Judy K.'s friend

Kifah, David L.'s friend

Donald R.

Sheryl, lifted by Sally S.

Keith A.

Sterling B.

Bev, lifted by Josh O.

Darlene, friend of Barb A.

Donna, sister of Carol N.

Bill, Vince, and Dusty, lifted by

Reba Y.

Russ, friend of David L.

Andy, Faye W.'s son

Israel, Sarah's student

De Niro and family

Connie C.

Jim, friend of Bill & Marilyn R.

Donna friend of Judy K.

Zack, son of Jennifer G.

Steve, son of Mary Ellen M.

Selene, lifted by Carole A.

Christopher Y., USAF

Matthew F., USAF

Lt. Col. Bill G., USMC

Thank You!

Once again, a thanks to all involved with the lovely teacup vase and the super, duper chocolate dessert delivered to me last Friday. The plant in the vase has produced another red flower and thinking of the DIVINE dessert (long-eaten) still brings a smile! Your kindness is certainly appreciated. —Jane Philpott

June 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>For the most up-to-date calendar, visit www.noumc.org.</p>		<p>1</p> <p>7 pm Scouts (FH)</p>	<p>2 10 am UMW (classroom 7)</p> <p>10 am - 2 pm Sanctuary Reserved</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5</p> <p>11 am - 2 pm Sanctuary Reserved for Organist</p>
<p>6</p> <p>10:30 am Worship (in-person and livestreamed)</p>	<p>7</p> <p>8:30 pm AA (FH)</p>	<p>8</p> <p>7 pm Scouts (FH)</p>	<p>9</p> <p>10 am - 2 pm Sanctuary Reserved</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12</p> <p>11 am Memorial Service (Sanctuary)</p>
<p>13</p> <p>10:30 am Worship (in-person and livestreamed)</p>	<p>14</p> <p>8:30 pm AA (FH)</p>	<p>15</p> <p><i>July Agape Deadline</i></p> <p>7 pm Scouts (FH)</p>	<p>16</p> <p><i>East Ohio Annual Conference (livestreamed)</i></p> <p>10 am - 2 pm Sanctuary Reserved</p>	<p>17</p> <p><i>East Ohio Annual Conference (livestreamed)</i></p> <p>11:30 am Lunch with Friends</p>	<p>18</p> <p><i>East Ohio Annual Conference (livestreamed)</i></p>	<p>19</p> <p><i>East Ohio Annual Conference (livestreamed)</i></p> <p>11 am - 2 pm Sanctuary Reserved for Organist</p>
<p>20</p> <p><i>Penny Sunday</i></p> <p>10:30 am Worship (in-person and livestreamed)</p>	<p>21</p> <p>8:30 pm AA (FH)</p>	<p>22</p> <p>7 pm Scouts (FH)</p>	<p>23</p> <p>10 am - 2 pm Sanctuary Reserved</p>	<p>24</p> <p>4:30 pm - 6 pm Free Community Meal (Carry-out Only)</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p> <p>11 am - 2 pm Sanctuary Reserved for Organist</p>
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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.

Free Community Meal Carry-Out Only

Thursday, June 24

4:30 pm - 6 pm

Carry-Out Menu:

Fried chicken, coleslaw, a roll, and dessert

St. Clarence is serving the meal this month.

The Free Community Meal is a mission of North Olmsted United Methodist Church with assistance from our friends at St. Richard and St. Clarence Catholic Churches and others in the community. All meals are funded by donations, and the dinners are prepared and served by volunteers. Menus may change because of donated food or food pricing. Additional volunteers are always welcome! If you would like more information, please contact us at 440-779-6634. *We are an accessible facility.*