

Welcome to North Olmsted United Methodist Church!

Announcements for Sunday, October 10, 2021

Adult Fellowship Bonfire

Friday, October 15, 7 pm, Bretton Ridge's Community Park

Do you like chocolate and marshmallows? How about when they melt between graham crackers? Delight in this favorite childhood treat at Bretton Ridge's Community Park on Friday, October 15, beginning at 7 pm. Dress for the weather and just show up. We'll provide the wood, the sticks, the s'more ingredients, and the water. There isn't an address for the park, but it is at the entrance of Bretton Ridge on the east side of Christman Drive, the street you turn onto to get into Bretton Ridge off of Lorain Road. Balloons will mark the driveway. Please sign up on the sheet outside the sanctuary on Sunday morning or call Claudia Taller at 440.554.6406 so we know how many to expect. You can also call Claudia if you need directions.

United Methodist Women Church Mouse Craft Fair

Saturday, October 16, 9 am – 3 pm, Fellowship Hall

Visit us at our annual craft fair! We'll have local crafters on display, featuring holiday items, gifts, and more! A carry-out only lunch and bake sale will be available as well. Masks are required throughout the building.

If you would like to donate baked goods for our sale, we would appreciate the help. For more information, contact Barb Andrews at grandrews@roadrunner.com or 440.779.1157.

Support UMCOR's U.S. Disaster Relief

Next Sunday, October 17 is Penny Sunday

The United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) responds to disasters, such as hurricanes, floods, fire, and earthquakes, in the United States by working in partnership with annual conferences and local partners. When a disaster overwhelms a community's ability to recover on its own, UMCOR provides training, relief supplies, case management, and supports long-term rebuilding efforts.

The October Penny Sunday offering will go to support UMCOR's U.S. Disaster Relief. Make checks payable to North Olmsted United Methodist Church and **write October Penny Sunday in the memo**. Send checks to the church office, attention Ron Clough, Financial Secretary. For those worshipping in person, a basket will be designated for the Penny Sunday offering.

Ecumenical Youth Group

Sunday, October 24, 5 pm - 6:30 pm, UMC of Berea

What a great start we had in September! We are looking forward to our next event: pumpkin carving! Join several other churches in this fun time for youth to make friends and explore their faith. All youth in fourth through twelfth grade are invited to join us. Contact Chris at youth@noumc.org or on her cell at 440.732.5431 by October 15, and a pumpkin will be provided for you!

Oxcart Pantry Collection

Collecting Thanksgiving items until Sunday, November 14

We currently are collecting packages and cans of the following Thanksgiving items: *stuffing mix, potatoes, gravy, cranberry sauce, corn, sweet potatoes, marshmallows, and desserts (especially pie mix and blueberry, cherry, apple, and pumpkin for pie fillings, as well as packages of other desserts)*. Please put all donations in the Oxcart Pantry container in Fellowship Hall. All items will go Oxcart Pantry for Thanksgiving bags that will be distributed to our neighbors in the North Olmsted community.

Church Gardens

Weeding and gardening help needed!

October is garden maintenance time! Charlene Vas will be on vacation the first two weeks of October, but anyone can work on their own. Grasses need to be cut down and weeds need to be pulled in all gardens especially the front of the Sanctuary. Annuals can be pulled also as their season is over. Thank you!

Exciting News! Girl Scout Troup 71067 that meets in our building has asked to take on a project for their Bronze Award, the highest award a Junior Girl Scout can achieve. It is their way of saying "Thank You" for the meeting location. They will plan, fund, and plant a pollinator garden outside the church building! Charlene Vas will meet with them later in October.

Upcoming Meetings, Gatherings, and Small Groups

Racial Justice Group: Monday, October 11, 12 pm – 1 pm, on Zoom

United Methodist Women: Wednesday, October 13, 10 am, Classroom 7

Choir Rehearsal: Thursday, October 14, 7 pm, Sanctuary

Adult Fellowship Bonfire: Friday, October 15, 7 pm, Bretton Ridge's Community Park

United Methodist Women's Church Mouse Craft Fair: Saturday, October 16, 9 am – 3 pm, Fellowship Hall

Adult Sunday School: Sunday, October 17, 9 am, Choir Room

21st Sunday after Pentecost/Penny Sunday/Laity Sunday: Sunday, October 17, 10:30 am, Sanctuary

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*

