

North Olmsted United Methodist Church

Feeding the Community –
Body, Mind, and Spirit
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Rev. Hoyte Wilhelm, Pastor



Prayer Concerns

First Responders	Donald R.
Victims of natural disasters	Susan W.
Those suffering from mental illness	Viola C. Barbara B.
Those affected by gun violence	Lois D.
Those who are homeless	Keith A.
Stephen Ministers	Selene, lifted by Carole A.
Care Receivers	
Maggie, granddaughter of Chris B.	Patty, lifted by Janis J. Miriam, lifted by Janis J.
Carol, lifted by Sally & Will S.	Donna, sister of Carol N.
Sherry, lifted by Sally & Will S.	Judy, lifted by Brenda F.
Ron J.	Bev, lifted by Josh O.
Nancy D.	Steve, lifted by Mary Ellen M.
Carol W.	Matthew F., USAF
Ron W.	Lt. Col. Bill G., USMC
Teresa, Michelle W.'s cousin	Christopher Y., USAF
Josh O. and Guylene H.	
Mary, lifted by Susan W.	
Monica, lifted by Susan W.	

This Week's Birthdays and Anniversaries

January 23	Jack Lachvayder	January 28	Janis Jarvis
January 25	Carol & Bob Nupp	January 26	Judy & John Solt

3rd Sunday after the Epiphany January 23, 2022 + 10:30 am

Welcome and Passing of the Peace

Celebration of Ministries and Missions

Prelude *Aria* Leonard Vinci

***Call to Worship** John Wolter

L: God's glory is pouring forth from the heavens.

P: **Earth below receives the good news with great joy.**

L: The promise is sure and true, that Jesus has come to show us the best ways to serve God.

P: **By serving and caring for others, we truly serve God.**

L: Come, let us prepare ourselves for joyful service.

P: **Lord, make us ready for great service in your name.**

***Old Testament Reading** Psalm 19

***Unison Prayer**

Bountiful God, you have blessed us with so many gifts. In this time of worship, may we be open to receiving these gifts. Help us claim

our gifts and use them to bring liberation and justice to a hurting world. May the words of our mouths, and the meditations of our hearts, be acceptable to you. May the transforming Spirit of joy and unity bind us together as your body, that we may be your hands and feet and voice in this, your world. Amen.

Hymn *To God Be the Glory* UMH 98

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Pastoral Prayer

Unison Prayer of Confession

Ever present One, you call us to be your presence, your body in this world, but too often we get caught up in being a hand or a foot, and lose sight of the overarching mission you set before us. We fracture into pieces. We go our separate ways, forgetting we need each other to be whole. You have given us your law to be our guide, but we turn our backs on what we see as rules and restrictions, fearful that we will not live up to your expectations. Help us see with new eyes, and hear with the ears of our heart, the liberating spirit of the law that strengthens and revives and enables us to be and do all you call us to be and do. O God of liberation and justice, help us be faithful witnesses to your law of love and unity. Amen.

Words of Assurance (Luke 4)

The Spirit of God is upon us. God has called us to bring good news and liberation to the poor, to the marginalized, and to all who are in need anywhere. God's joy is our strength. Through God we can do all things. God's Spirit surrounds us with forgiveness and love.

The Lord's Prayer

Special Music *Alleluia, Sing to Jesus* arr. Mark Hayes

Soprano: Gabriela Martinez; Pianist: Javier Gonzalez

Invitation for the Offering

Offertory *Jesus, Priceless Treasure* G. Winston-Cassler

***Doxology** UMH 94

***Prayer for the Offering**

New Testament Reading 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

Hymn *How Great Thou Art* UMH 77

Sermon "You Are the Body" Rev. Hoyte L. Wilhelm

Hymn *The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve* TFWS 2241

Responsive Benediction (1 Corinthians 12, Luke 4)

L: The Spirit of God is upon you.

P: **We go forth proclaiming God's love and liberation.**

L: The Spirit of Christ is upon you.

P: **We go forth to live lives of justice and freedom.**

L: The power of the Spirit is upon you.

P: **We go forth as one body, one spirit, one witness to the promises of our God. Amen.**

Postlude *Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing* arr. D. Johnson

You are invited to remain seated for the Postlude.

Today's Worship Leaders

Pastor: Rev. Hoyte Wilhelm

Organist: Marlene Dirksen

Vocalists: Gabriela Martinez, Deb Chermonte, Rae Spalding

Pianist: Javier Gonzalez

Liturgist: John Wolter

Greeters: Jean Scothon, Greg Lavelle

Usher: Sarah Jackson

Video: John and Michelle Wolter, Phil Wolter