# Welcome to North Olmsted United Methodist Church!

# Announcements for Sunday, February 13, 2022

#### Covenant to Resist Racism

North Olmsted UMC's support of the Covenant with the East Ohio Conference of The UMC

"Our Mission: As baptized Christian disciples who 'accept the freedom and power God gives us to resist evil, injustice, and oppression in whatever forms they present themselves,' we reject the sin of white supremacy and white privilege; we denounce police brutality and racial profiling against people of color; and, we demand full protection of the civil rights for all of God's children.

We accept our responsibility as people of faith and leaders in our congregations, to work for the transformation of the world, our Church, and our communities. We covenant with each other, to learn, speak, and act in ways that lift-up and protect the rights and dignity of all of God's people."

More than 700 East Ohio Conference laity and clergy have signed the Covenant to Resist Racism, including members of NOUMC. To see signatures, go to: <a href="https://eocumcnews.com/2020/06/11/eoc-laity-and-clergy-support-the-anti-racism-commitment-signed-by-bishop-tracy-s-malone-and-the-extended-cabinet/">https://eocumcnews.com/2020/06/11/eoc-laity-and-clergy-support-the-anti-racism-commitment-signed-by-bishop-tracy-s-malone-and-the-extended-cabinet/</a>

### **Racial Justice Group of NOUMC**

You are encouraged to join in learning more about racial justice by example of these two informative links:

The School-to-Prison Pipeline: <a href="https://www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/racialjustice/school2prisonpdf">https://www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/racialjustice/school2prisonpdf</a>

**Dismantling Racism**: <a href="https://www.eocumc.com/standagainstracism/index.html">https://www.eocumc.com/standagainstracism/index.html</a>

#### **Pick Up Sub Sandwich Orders**

After worship today, February 13

Don't forget to stop and pick up the subs you ordered on your way out of church today! We will make a few extras for those who forgot to order, and we will have any extra meat, cheese, and condiments available for a free will offering. Our youth would like to thank you for your purchase as they are excited to be able to help out the North Olmsted Oxcart Food Pantry!

## Souper Bowl of Caring

Today, February 13

Our youth are helping to fight hunger and poverty today, joining a national effort to refocus Super Bowl weekend into a weekend of sharing God's love with our neighbors in need, by participating in the Souper Bowl of Caring. This year's donations will be sent to the North Olmsted Oxcart Food Pantry. Because of the pandemic, people are in need now more than ever. Large soup pots are on a table in Fellowship Hall for you to drop your donation in. *Or you may send checks to the church office, attention: Wendy Cooper. Please make checks payable to NOUMC and write Souper Bowl of Caring in the memo.* This year's donations will be sent to the North Olmsted Oxcart Food Pantry.

#### **Camp Information Is Here!**

If you know of a youth who would love to spend a week away at camp this summer, why not invite them to check out one of our beautiful area United Methodist camps? There are many different camps available; there is something to

spark every interest. Information is now available. Please see Wendy Cooper or email <a href="mailto:sundayschool@noumc.org">sundayschool@noumc.org</a> with questions or for help!

## **Support the Free Community Meal Ministry**

Next Sunday, February 20 is Penny Sunday

The Penny Sunday collection for February will go to our Community Meal Mission led by Barb Linton. The mission enables us to share our blessings with local families and friends. Please join in keeping our promise to feed the community—body, mind, and spirit!

Make checks payable to NOUMC and write **February Penny Sunday** in the memo. Send checks to the church office, attention Ron Clough, Financial Secretary. For those worshiping in-person, an offering plate will be designated for Penny Sunday.

# **Oxcart Pantry Collection**

Collecting canned meat and fish until February 27

Please place donations in the collection box in Fellowship Hall. Thank you for your generosity!

### **Lenten Study**

Time and Format TBD

Contact Pastor Hoyte by this Wednesday, February 16 if interested in participating

Pastor Hoyte will be offering a Lenten Study if there are enough people interested in doing so. To RSVP, please contact Pastor Hoyte at hoytewilhelm@gmail.com or 330-428-1545 by no later than Wednesday, February 16.

#### **Adult Sunday School Lenten Study**

#### The God We Can Know: Exploring the "I Am" Sayings of Jesus

Begins Sunday, February 27, 9 am, Classroom 4

We will explore the "I am" sayings of Jesus found in the Gospel of John. Perfect for Lent, this series will help us find and form an answer to the most essential question in the Christian faith, "Who do you say I am?" We are hoping to hold this study during Lent, but details are still being determined. Contact Craig at <a href="mailto:cpa.mueller@sbcglobal.net">cpa.mueller@sbcglobal.net</a> if you are planning to join us, and he will be in touch as details develop.

# **March Agape Newsletter Deadline**

This Tuesday, February 15

Thank you for submitting articles for the March Agape by this Tuesday. Please put articles in the Administrative Assistant's mailbox outside the church office or email office@noumc.org.

#### This Week's Gatherings and Small Groups

Racial Justice Group: Monday, February 14, 12 pm – 1pm (during lunch hour), on Zoom

SPRC: Tuesday, February 15, 7 pm, Fellowship Hall

7th Sunday after the Epiphany/Penny Sunday: February 20, 10:30 am, Sanctuary & Online