

# Welcome to North Olmsted United Methodist Church!

## Announcements for Sunday, February 27, 2022

### What We Believe

*Excerpt from The Book of Resolutions of The United Methodist Church*

"The United Methodist Church believes God's love for the world is an active and engaged love, a love seeking justice and liberty. We cannot just be observers. So we care enough about people's lives to risk interpreting God's love, to take a stand, to call each of us into a response, no matter how controversial or complex. The church helps us think and act out a faith perspective, not just responding to all the other 'mind-makers-up' that exist in our society...

Taking an active stance in society is nothing new for followers of John Wesley. He set the example for us to combine personal and social piety. Ever since predecessor churches to United Methodism flourished in the United States, we have been known as a denomination involved with people's lives, with political and social struggles, having local to international mission implications. Such involvement is an expression of the personal change we experience in our baptism and conversion."

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### The UMC's Social Principles

To read through the Social Principles, visit <https://www.umc.org/en/content/our-social-principles>.

### Ash Wednesday Service

*March 2, 7 pm, In-person and Online*

Join us for centering music, scripture readings, and the imposition of ashes.

### Treat Yourself Tuesday

*Tuesday, March 1, Friends of NOUMC Facebook Page*

Socially distance with us through the Friends of NOUMC Facebook page. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, March 2, so that makes March 1 Fat Tuesday. We are calling it "Treat Yourself Tuesday" and would like you to share how you are treating yourself with a special dinner or treat, by buying a book you have been wanting to read, or by taking a nature walk. Post your pictures on Facebook and enjoy how your friends are treating themselves.

### Easter Flower Sale

*Begins today, February 27; Orders due by March 27*

Our youth are selling Easter Lilies, Hyacinths, Martha Washington Geraniums, and Tulips to decorate our altar on Easter Sunday. Proceeds will benefit the Oxcart Food Pantry Sunday School Mission Project. Beginning today, order forms are available in Fellowship Hall or can be found in the weekly e-newsletters. Please fold your payment into the order form and place it into the purple box. You can also send the form with your check to the church office, attention Wendy Cooper, or email her at [sundayschool@noumc.org](mailto:sundayschool@noumc.org). Thank you for supporting our mission project!

### Oxcart Pantry Collection

*Today is the last day to donate canned meat and fish; the next needed items are salad dressing and salad toppings.*

## Lenten Study Opportunities

### **Adult Sunday School Lenten Study—*The God We Can Know: Exploring the “I Am” Sayings of Jesus***

*Begins today, February 27, 9 am, Classroom 4*

We are exploring the “I am” sayings of Jesus found in the Gospel of John. Perfect for Lent, this series is helping us find and form an answer to the most essential question in the Christian faith, “Who do you say I am?” Contact Craig at [cpa.mueller@sbcglobal.net](mailto:cpa.mueller@sbcglobal.net) if you can join us.

### **Weekday Lenten Study—*The Lord’s Prayer: The Meaning and Power of the Prayer***

*Begins Wednesday, March 9, 2 pm – 3:30 pm, Zoom, RSVP to Pastor Hoyte no later than March 2*

This study is based on a new book by United Methodist pastor and popular author Adam Hamilton and will guide us to better understand the prayer that Jesus taught us to pray. By exploring the lines and their meanings, we will take a look at what we ask of God and what we ask of ourselves while learning how to use the Lord’s Prayer as a pattern for our own prayer life. RSVP to [hoytewilhelm@gmail.com](mailto:hoytewilhelm@gmail.com) by March 2.

## Frank and Dean Dinner Show

*Wednesday, March 30, Dinner at 5:30 pm and Show at 7 pm, Matteo’s Restaurant in Olmsted Falls*

*RSVP by March 15*

Join us for dinner and a show at Matteo’s Restaurant. You will have a choice of three entrees to be determined at a cost of \$35 plus gratuity. Please note that this will be held on the second floor of the restaurant, and there is not an elevator. Let Charlene Vas know if you are interested in this event so she can give you details. Contact her at 440.235.4056 or [charvas@cox.net](mailto:charvas@cox.net).

## This Week’s Gatherings and Small Groups

Racial Justice Group: Monday, February 28, 12 pm – 1pm (during lunch hour), on Zoom

Altar and Arts Team: Monday, February 28, 1 pm – 3 pm, Sanctuary

UMW: Wednesday, March 2, 10 am, Classroom 7

Ash Wednesday Worship: Wednesday, March 2, 7 pm, Sanctuary & Online

Choir Rehearsal: Thursday, March 3, 7 pm, Choir Room

Adult Sunday School: Sunday, March 6, 9 am, Classroom 4

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent: Sunday, March 6, 10:30 am, Sanctuary & Online

### **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***

