

Welcome to North Olmsted United Methodist Church!

Announcements for Sunday, March 20, 2022

Support the Humanitarian Response in Ukraine

Today is Penny Sunday

For those wishing to provide humanitarian assistance to the Ukrainian people in the wake of the Russian invasion of their country, our March Penny Sunday offering will now go to support UMCOR's work in the region. The United Methodist community in Ukraine, though quite small, is actively engaged in assisting neighbors in need. UMCOR is in touch with the church's leadership as well as with church leaders in countries welcoming those who are fleeing from violence in Ukraine.

Send checks to the church office, attention Ron Clough, Financial Secretary. *Make checks payable to NOUMC and write **Ukraine/March Penny Sunday** in the memo.* For those worshipping in-person, a basket is designated for Penny Sunday.

(Please note: our plans to support West Side Community House will be postponed until April's Penny Sunday.)

Support the Operating Expenses of the United Methodist Committee on Relief

UMCOR Sunday is Next Sunday, March 27

UMCOR is the United Methodist Committee on Relief, and yet they are anything but a typical committee. They are a program by the General Board of Global Ministries taking action when disaster strikes around the globe.

We will be highlighting UMCOR during our next Special Sunday, on March 27. All donations given on UMCOR Sunday go to the day-to-day operations of UMCOR so that the rest of the year, all of our donations go to where they are needed most.

*Make checks payable to NOUMC and write **UMCOR Sunday** in the memo. Send checks to the church office, attention Ron Clough, Financial Secretary.*

Easter Flower Sale

Orders due by next Sunday, 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. 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. Thank you for supporting our mission project!

Card-Making

Saturday, March 26, 10 am – 2 pm, Fellowship Hall, RSVP as soon as possible or no later than Wednesday, March 23

Sandra Andrews and Sharon Werner are hosting a card-making day this Saturday. If you have not heard from Sandra and would like to be included, you can check with her at sjaphin@hotmail.com or with Barb Andrews at 440.779.1157 for more information.

Oxcart Pantry Collection

Collecting salad dressing and salad toppings until next Sunday, March 27; Collection box is in Fellowship Hall

Easter Egg Hunt

Sunday, April 10, 12:30 pm & 1:30 pm; Register by April 7

On Sunday, April 10, we will be hosting a community Easter Egg Hunt on our front lawn! Families will be asked to register beforehand by April 7 and will have two hunt times (12:30 pm or 1:30 pm) to choose from. Please respond to our Facebook ad, email Wendy at sundayschool@noumc.org, or call the church office (ext. 13) to register.

Egg Hunt Volunteer Opportunities Available

Candy Donations: *Candy due by Wednesday, April 6*

We are accepting donations of candy to fill our plastic eggs. Please be sure the candy is pre-packaged and small enough to fit into the eggs. Please drop off any candy donations to Wendy or in the Christian Education mailbox or office.

Egg-Filling Day: *Thursday, April 7, 2 pm - 7 pm, Classroom 7*

On Thursday, April 7, we will gather at the church to fill our plastic eggs with candy and other goodies. We will be here from 2 pm to 7 pm, and you are welcome to join us at any time and come and go as you please! We will be prepping about 400 eggs.

Volunteers on Hunt Day: *Sunday, April 10*

We welcome anyone who would like to join us on Sunday, April 10 for our Easter Egg Hunt! Volunteers are needed to help families sign in, help children with the hunt, and help distribute eggs on the lawn in between hunts. Please see Wendy for further information or to volunteer!

This Week's Gatherings and Small Groups

Racial Justice Group: Monday, March 21, 12 pm – 1pm (during lunch hour), on Zoom

Weekday Lenten Study: Wednesday, March 23, 2 pm – 3:30 pm, on Zoom

Choir Rehearsal: Thursday, March 24, 7 pm, Choir Room

Card-Making: Saturday, March 26, 10 am – 2 pm, Fellowship Hall

Adult Sunday School Lenten Study: Sunday, March 27, 9 am, Classroom 4

Fourth Sunday in Lent/UMCOR: Sunday, March 27, 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***

