

Welcome to North Olmsted United Methodist Church!

Announcements for Sunday, May 22, 2022

Spring Hike

Today, May 22, 1 pm, Sandy Ridge Reservation (6195 Otten Road, North Ridgeville)

All are welcome to hike with us at this scenic wetland, known for its bird-watching. The path is flat, and we will see lots of new offspring, including eagles. We are hoping to see Kevin, a sand hill crane who walks along the path. Bring binoculars if you have them. Sorry, no pets are allowed on this path. You are welcome to wear comfortable hiking clothes and shoes to worship in the morning so that you are ready to go. Bring a bag lunch as we will eat before we depart on the hike. Contact Beth Cruz at 216-548-1967 for more information.

Free Community Meal: Carry-Out Only

Thursday, May 26, 4:30 pm – 6 pm, NOUMC parking lot

St. Richard's is preparing and serving the meal this month. They will serve carry-out meals of sloppy joes, potato salad, a pickle, and dessert. For more information, email Barb Linton at blintonofnr@aol.com.

Kids' Book Bank Mission Trip and Book Collection

Mission Trip is Tuesday, June 7, 1 pm – 3 pm

Join us in hands-on service! Our next **mission trip** to Kids' Book Bank is in June. Volunteers must be 13 or older and ages 13-15 must be accompanied by an adult. We will carpool from NOUMC.

We are also collecting **new or gently used children's books**. Books should be in good condition and with a copyright no earlier than 2000. We cannot accept textbooks, dictionaries, encyclopedias, or similar books.

Consider helping with our NOUMC book drive. Help **roll out our book cart** before worship on Sundays.

To help with any of these opportunities, see Janis Jarvis or email janisjar@yahoo.com.

You Are Invited to Wear Red on Pentecost Sunday

Sunday, June 5

Pentecost is the fiftieth and final day of the Easter season. It marks the beginning of the Christian church and the proclamation of the Good News throughout the world. You are invited to wear red as we celebrate Pentecost and remember the gift of the Holy Spirit to the church.

Oxcart Pantry Collection

Collecting condiments, such as mayo, mustard, ketchup, pickles, relish, and barbecue sauce, until May 29

Please put donations in the Oxcart Pantry container in Fellowship Hall. Thank you!

Thou shalt _____

Graduate Recognition

Sunday, June 12; Submit your information by May 31

If you are a recent graduate (high school, college, technical school, online degree, etc.), we would like to honor you during worship! We will need your name, school, degree, and what you will be doing next. Please send all of your details to Wendy at sundayschool@noumc.org by the end of May.

Serve in the Nursery and Playroom!

We want to offer the nursery for our families with small children as well as for any families who might visit our church and be in need of a safe place for their child during worship. In order to do so, we are in need of two volunteers to help out in the rooms each week. Please consider volunteering for this coming Sunday or in the near future! Contact Wendy at sundayschool@noumc.org to sign up or for more information.

Join the 21-Day Social Justice Challenge

Postponed until this fall, but you can sign up now!

The Racial Justice Group is planning a 21-Day Social Justice Challenge to ideally begin in the fall to widen our understanding of racial and social justice. The challenge is open to all so invite a friend. We will gather once a week for a Zoom discussion led by Pastor Hoyte. Contact Pastor Hoyte at hoytewilhelm@gmail.com or Sharon Werner at sharieolw@gmail.com to sign up. A signup sheet is also available on the door of the church office.

Pastoral Care

Through May 30

For pastoral care emergencies while Pastor Hoyte is out of town:

During office hours (Monday - Thursday, 10 am - 2 pm) please contact the church office.

Outside of office hours please contact Alice Walsh at 201-213-0285 or Joel Chermonte at 440-915-4509.

This Week's Gatherings and Small Groups

Spring Hike: Sunday, May 22, 1 pm, Sandy Ridge Reservation (6195 Otten Road, North Ridgeville)

Racial Justice Group: Monday, May 23, 12 pm – 1 pm (during lunch hour), on Zoom

Free Community Meal (Carry-Out Only): Thursday, May 26, 4:30 pm – 6 pm

7th Sunday of Easter/Ascension Sunday: Sunday, May 29, 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

