

Welcome to North Olmsted United Methodist Church!

Announcements for Sunday, September 11, 2022

Adult Sunday School

Sundays, 9 am, Classroom 4

We are starting the year off with the DVD Series, *Becoming a Contagious Christian*. The goal of this study is to help us identify our God-given personality and to develop ways to share our faith. It isn't too late to join us; all are welcome! Contact Craig Mueller for more information.

Centering Space Visit

Sunday, September 11, 6:30 pm, (14812 Lake Avenue, Lakewood, OH)

Join us this evening for a Taizé service at Centering Space; this service will be their annual Peace Taizé. For those who want to, we'll gather at North Olmsted UMC at 6 pm and can carpool. You will need lawn chairs. Anyone interested in joining us should email Claudia Taller.

Join the NOUMC Social Justice Challenge!

September 14 – October 5

Sign up to receive a daily email with links to online social justice resources. View the links that interest you and expand your social justice awareness. Details can be found in the September Agape or see the sign-up sheet on the office door. For more information, contact one of the following: Pastor Hoyte, Sharon Werner, Janis Jarvis, or the church office at noumc@noumc.org.

Lunch with Friends

Thursday, September 15, 11:30 am, Canary's Restaurant (28981 Lorain Road, North Olmsted)

Lunch with Friends will meet in person this month! A big welcome to all who would like to join us at one of our favorite places: Canary's Restaurant. Call Carole Bettinger to RSVP.

Support Laura's Home

Penny Sunday is September 18

September's Penny Sunday offering will go to help finance our mission to feed the women and children at Laura's Home. Every month a group from our church feed the people at Laura's Home. This month's Penny Sunday will provide an opportunity for you to support this important ministry of the church. *Make checks payable to NOUMC and write **September Penny Sunday** or **Laura's Home** in the memo. Send checks to the church office, attention Financial Secretary. For those worshipping in person, a basket will be designated for Penny Sunday.* And please remember that you can donate to this cause **any time of the year** by sending a check to the church.

Cleveland Kids' Book Bank Mission Trip

Tuesday, September 20, 1 pm - 3 pm

Join us as we support Kids' Book Bank in their work to ensure all kids growing up in Greater Cleveland have books of their own to read and cherish. We have room for up to 20 people. No lifting required. We will carpool from the church building. Contact Janis Jarvis for more information or to reserve a spot.

Volunteer in the Nursery

Would you like to attract new young families to our church so that our church and Sunday School programs may continue to thrive? Studies show that the best way to do so is to have a safe, staffed nursery and toddler room available. Our rooms are ready to be open and available for our families with small children, as well as any families who might visit our church and be in need of a safe place for their child during worship. Now we just need YOU! We cannot offer these rooms without volunteers to staff them. Contact Wendy Cooper to sign up.

Community Bonfire and Service Project

Sunday, October 2, 4:30 pm, Church Lawn; RSVP by September 30

All are invited to join us for a hot dog and s'more's bonfire and a service project! The price of admission will be one package of paper products (which will be donated afterwards to the North Olmsted Oxcart Food Pantry) and one long roasting stick. There will be music and games and lots of fun as we share the love of Jesus with our neighbors and friends. Please be sure to RSVP to Wendy Cooper by September 30!

Decorate your trunk for Trunk or Treat

Sunday, October 30, 2 pm – 4 pm, Church Parking Lot

We are hosting a Trunk or Treat for the community! We are in need of volunteers who are willing to decorate their trunks and hand out candy to the families that attend. Please contact Wendy Cooper to sign up.

Support Oxcart Pantry

Collecting food for school lunches until September 25

These include **peanut butter, jelly, macaroni and cheese, canned tuna and chicken, and individually packaged snacks**. Please put donations in the Oxcart Pantry container in Fellowship Hall.

October Agape Newsletter Deadline

Thursday, September 15

Thank you for submitting articles for the October Agape by Thursday, September 15. Please put articles in the Administrative Assistant's mailbox outside the church office or email the church office at noumc@noumc.org.

This Week's Gatherings and Small Groups

Peace Taizé: Sunday, September 11, 6:30 pm, Centering Space

Racial Justice Group: Monday, September 12, 12 pm – 1 pm, on Zoom, contact Janis Jarvis

Lunch with Friends: Thursday, September 15, 11:30 am, Canary's Restaurant

Choir Rehearsal: Thursday, September 15, 7 pm, Choir Room

Adult Sunday School: Sunday, September 18, 9 am, Classroom 4

15th Sunday after Pentecost/Penny Sunday: Sunday, September 18, 10:30 am, Sanctuary & Online