

# Welcome to North Olmsted United Methodist Church!

## Announcements for Sunday, November 13, 2022

### United Women in Faith Give-Away Meeting

*Wednesday, November 16, 10 am*

We will gather this week to decide how to donate the money we have raised this year. If you or your ministry team has a need that will help the church, please contact Barb Andrews or put the request in the UWF mailbox outside the church office by Wednesday morning. We cannot guarantee we will be able to provide the full amount, but we will try. We also consider local and global charities if you have a special request.

### Lunch with Friends

*Thursday, November 17, 11:30 am, Canary's Restaurant (28981 Lorain Road, North Olmsted)*

Our November Lunch with Friends gathering will be dedicated to Viola Crow for her idea of inviting others who are alone to share lunch together at a restaurant once a month. Over the years we've been to a lot of them! How many can you name? Call Carole Bettinger if you can join us!

### Stocking Stuffers for Oxcart Pantry

*Penny Sunday is next Sunday, November 20*

*Collecting stocking stuffers until December 4*

We are collecting stockings, toiletry items, and small gifts for adults and children to be given to Oxcart Pantry clients this Christmas. A list of needed items can be found in the November edition of the Agape Newsletter.

You can also give financially and let us do the shopping for you. November's Penny Sunday will go towards purchasing stocking stuffers. *Make checks payable to NOUMC and write **stocking stuffers or November Penny Sunday** in the memo. Send checks to the church office, attention Financial Secretary.*

### Weekday Advent Study

*RSVP to Pastor Hoyte by November 15*

Pastor Hoyte plans to lead an Advent Study again this year. Please email him at [noumc@noumc.org](mailto:noumc@noumc.org) if you are interested in joining him. Pastor Hoyte is open to suggestions of preferred books or themes.

### Adult Sunday School Advent Study

*Begins next Sunday, November 20, 9 am, Classroom 4*

Claudia Taller will lead us in the series: *Prepare the Way for the Lord*, by Adam Hamilton. For centuries, Christians have turned to the story and message of John the Baptist in the weeks leading up to Christmas. In *Prepare the Way for the Lord: Advent and the Message of John the Baptist*, best-selling author and pastor Adam Hamilton explores the Advent themes of John's life and ministry, and how John calls all followers of Jesus to prepare our hearts for his coming.

### December Agape Newsletter Deadline

*Tuesday, November 15*

Thank you for submitting articles to the church office at [noumc@noumc.org](mailto:noumc@noumc.org) by this Tuesday.

## Annual Christmas Flower Sale

*Orders due Sunday, December 4*

The Christian Education and Youth Ministry Team is now taking orders for Poinsettias and Christmas Cacti to be placed on the altar for our Christmas Eve service. Poinsettias are available in Red, White, Pink, Variegated, or Burgundy. All plants are in 6 1/2" pots, and sell for \$10.00. Proceeds from the sale will support Laura's Home Women's Crisis Center.

Order forms can be found in Fellowship Hall. Please place your order and payment into the purple box, or send them to the church office, attention Wendy Cooper. You may also call the church office, ext. 13 to place your order, or email Wendy.

## A Christmas Cabaret: Dinner and a Show

*Saturday Matinee, December 10, 2 pm*

Join us for **A Christmas Cabaret** musical show at LCCC's Cirigliano Studio Theatre. Call 440-366-4040 or go online at [www.stockerartcenter.com](http://www.stockerartcenter.com) to order your own tickets.

Afterward we can share a meal at one of the local restaurant choices. Sign up so we know who all is going and if you want to carpool from the church. Contact Sarah Jackson if you have questions.

## Cleveland Kids' Book Bank Mission Trip

*Tuesday, December 20, 1 pm - 3 pm, Carpool from NOUMC at 12:15 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 will help to sort book donations; no lifting required. We will carpool from the church building at 12:15 pm. Contact Sarah Jackson for more information or to reserve a spot.

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.

## Oxcart Pantry Thanksgiving Collection

*Next Sunday, November 20 is the last day to donate Thanksgiving dinner side dishes and desserts*

These include **boxed/bagged stuffing mix, cranberry sauce, gravy, canned sweet potatoes, and dessert items like boxed cake or cookie mixes and brownie mixes**. Please put donations in the Oxcart Pantry container.

## This Week's Gatherings and Small Groups

Handbell Rehearsal: Monday, November 14, 5 pm, Choir Room

United Women in Faith Give-Away Meeting: Wednesday, November 16, 10 am, Classroom 7

Nurture Team: Wednesday, November 16, 4 pm, Fellowship Hall

Racial Justice Group: Wednesday, November 16, 7 pm, Zoom

Lunch with Friends: Thursday, November 17, 11:30 am, Canary's Restaurant

Choir Rehearsal: Thursday, November 17, 7 pm, Choir Room

Adult Sunday School: Sunday, November 20, 9 am, Classroom 4

Christ the King Sunday: Sunday, November 20, 10:30 am, Sanctuary & Online