

Welcome to North Olmsted United Methodist Church!

Announcements for Sunday, January 15, 2023

Things That White People Can Do

(to be anti-racist and intentional when interacting with others)

Offered by the Racial Justice Group of North Olmsted UMC

If a character you assumed was white in a book is portrayed by an actor of color in the movie, embrace it.

It is the Racial Justice Group's hope that conversations regarding these thoughts will take place in our faith community and create opportunities for change that move people one person at a time to become anti-racist and more sensitive and kind in treatment of our Black brothers and sisters.

"Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere." —Martin Luther King, Jr., American minister and activist.

"My humanity is bound up in yours, for we can only be human together."

—Desmond Tutu, Nobel Peace Prize award-winner, South African Anglican cleric

Source: 100 Ways White People Can Make Life Less Frustrating for People of Color

https://www.vice.com/en_us/article/ne95dm/how-to-be-a-white-ally-to-people-of-color

If you go to an art gallery, notice how many works are by people of color. If it's lacking, make some noise, send an email, query the curator.

Support Free Community Meals

Today, January 15 is Penny Sunday

January's Penny Sunday offering will go to support our Free Community Meals Ministry, which serves from 100 to 140 people on average each month. As we all know, the price of groceries has increased. Your support of this church ministry is greatly appreciated. *Make checks payable to NOUMC and write **January Penny Sunday** in the memo. Send checks to the church office, attention Financial Secretary.*

Human Relations Day

Today, January 15

Support plays written by and acted in by people of color. The world of theater is overwhelmingly white.

Human Relations Day is a denomination wide Special Sunday designed to celebrate and raise awareness to further the development of better human relations by involving congregations in community and youth outreach. This special offering is taken the Sunday before Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday. Gifts received for the offering build King's vision of "the beloved community".

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Lunch with Friends

Thursday, January 19, 11:30 am, Canary's Restaurant (28981 Lorain Road, North Olmsted)

All are welcome to join us for lunch and to celebrate the New Year! To RSVP, call Carole Bettinger.

January Collections for Oxcart Pantry, Laura's Home Women's Crisis Center, and Lions Club

Please put donations in the appropriate bins in Fellowship Hall. Thank you!

We are now collecting the following items: 1) Side dishes, such as boxed rice and potatoes, 2) Hats and mittens for all ages, 3) 2023 Calendars, and 4) Used eyeglasses to be delivered to OSU for students to repair for those in need.

Breakfast with the Outreach Coordinator for the North Olmsted Senior Center

Friday, January 20, 9:30 am, Fellowship Hall

Mike Kovack, the Outreach Coordinator for the North Olmsted Senior Center, will join us for coffee and donuts and to talk about what services and activities are available to seniors in North Olmsted. It will also be an opportunity for us to think about spending time together in a different way. The Senior Center welcomes everyone 55 years of age or older from all communities. The Nurture Team would love for you to join us! Please email Claudia Taller if you plan to attend, or you can sign up in Fellowship Hall.

Cleveland Kids' Book Bank Mission Trip

Thursday, January 26, 1 pm – 3 pm; Carpool from the church building 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 to reserve a spot.

Homecoming Sunday

Sunday, February 12, Worship at 10:30 am, followed by punch, coffee, and cookies

All are welcome to join us for Homecoming Sunday, an opportunity to invite friends we haven't seen in a while to worship, fellowship, and reconnect with us. We are in need of volunteers to bake cookies, set up the day before, and clean up afterwards. Interested in volunteering? Contact Jean Scothon.

Super Bowl Sub Sale

Sunday, February 12, following worship, Fellowship Hall; Orders due February 5

The Christian Education and Youth Ministry Team is holding our annual Super Bowl Sub Sale; subs will be available for pick up after worship on Sunday, February 12. Order forms are available in Fellowship Hall.

And, please join us on Saturday, February 11 at 1 pm in Fellowship Hall for a youth and family service opportunity: help us put together our sub sandwich orders! Email Wendy Cooper if you can join us.

February Agape Newsletter Deadline

Today, January 15

Thank you for submitting articles today to the church office at noumc@noumc.org.

This Week's Gatherings

Worship Ministry Team: Tuesday, January 17, 7 pm, Zoom

Racial Justice Group: Wednesday, January 18, 7 pm, Zoom

Lunch with Friends: Thursday, January 19, 11:30 am, Canary's Restaurant


Choir Rehearsal: Thursday, January 19, 7 pm, Choir Room

Breakfast with the Outreach Coordinator from North Olmsted Senior Center: Friday, January 20, 9:30 am, Fellowship Hall

Adult Sunday School: Sunday, January 22, 9 am, Classroom 4

3rd Sunday after the Epiphany: Sunday, January 22, 10:30 am, Sanctuary & Online

Office Hours Note: The Church Office will be closed Monday, January 16.



Support crowdfunding campaigns for cultural products created by people of color if you can.