

# Welcome to North Olmsted United Methodist Church!

## Announcements for Sunday, January 29, 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 you're trying to start a mixed raced family, sit down and deeply interrogate your intentions.

The Racial Justice Group is currently offering "things that white people can do" in our Agape Newsletters and bulletin announcements. It is our 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.

"He who is not courageous enough to take risks will accomplish nothing in life." —Muhammad Ali, a professional boxer

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

If you do have mixed race children, make sure that they have access to people who look like them and who understand their experiences.

### Homecoming Sunday

*Sunday, February 12, Worship at 10:30 am, followed by Fellowship*

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.

Refuse to speak on an all-white panel. Regardless of the topic.

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 help.

### Oxcart Pantry Collection

*Today is the final day to donate side dishes*

*Our next collection items are pasta and pasta sauce*

Don't touch a black person's hair.

## Souper Bowl of Caring

*Sunday, February 12*

On the Sunday of the Big Game, we will help fight hunger and poverty, joining a national effort to refocus the weekend into one of sharing God's love with our neighbors in need. The Souper Bowl of Caring helps us to be mindful of those who are without even a bowl of soup to eat. During worship on the 12th, large soup pots will be in Fellowship Hall to hold our monetary donations. All proceeds will be sent to the North Olmsted Food Pantry.

*You can also make checks payable to NOUMC and write **Souper Bowl of Caring** in the memo. Send checks to the church office, attention Wendy Cooper.*

## Fellowship Outing to Stocker Arts Center at LCCC

*Wednesday, February 15, 7:30 pm*

Join us for *Cross That River*, a musical based on the true story of a runaway slave who became the first black cowboy. The show is going to Off Broadway this fall!

Tickets are \$33 each or \$31 for age 65 and older. Make checks payable to Charlene Vas. RSVP as soon as possible to Charlene.

## North Coast District Lay Servant Ministry Training

*Friday, March 3 and Saturday, March 4*

All are invited to register and participate in this *two-day training event on Friday, March 3 from 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm that continues on Saturday, March 4 from 8:30 am to 3:30 pm*. The Basic class, meant for those who have not taken a class in the last three years and/or are starting on their lay servant ministry journey, will be offered in-person only at Garfield Heights UMC (4977 Turney Rd., Garfield Heights 44125). The Advanced class (Leading Public Prayer: *Let the Whole Church Say, Amen!*) will be hybrid, both onsite at Garfield Heights UMC and via ZOOM simultaneously. There will be worship and a certificate presentation session at the conclusion of Saturday's workshop. Registrants are required to attend both days to complete their respective workshop. For more information, please see: [tinyurl.com/Spring2023LSM](http://tinyurl.com/Spring2023LSM).

## This Week's Gatherings

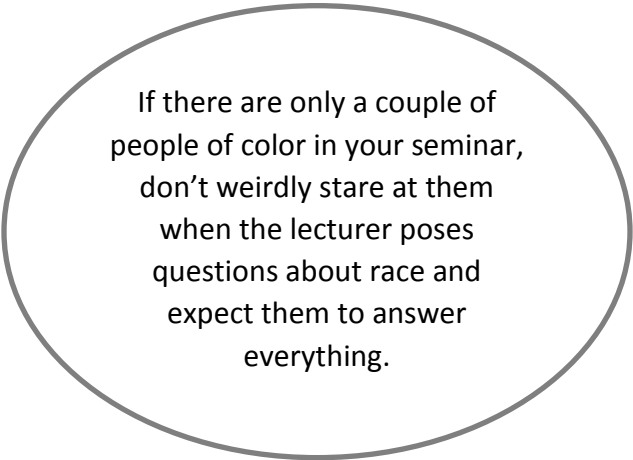
Trustees: Tuesday, January 31, 7 pm – 8:30 pm, Classroom 7

United Women in Faith: Wednesday, February 1, 10 am,  
Classroom 7

Choir Rehearsal: Thursday, February 2, 7 pm, Choir Room

Adult Sunday School: Sunday, February 5, 9 am, Prayer Room

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after the Epiphany: Sunday, February 5, 10:30 am,  
Sanctuary & Online



If there are only a couple of people of color in your seminar, don't weirdly stare at them when the lecturer poses questions about race and expect them to answer everything.