

Welcome to North Olmsted United Methodist Church!

Announcements for Sunday, May 28th, 2023

Teacher Recognition

Sunday, June 11

Sanctuary

We will be recognizing the hard work and dedication of our Sunday School teachers during worship on June 11th. Please be sure to join us!

Thank you so very much to our talented and dedicated Sunday School teachers, Craig Mueller and Claudia Taller, who faithfully taught our Adult Sunday School class this year, and worked hard to offer compelling studies and wonderful fellowship time to our congregation. Thank you, Craig and Claudia! Your time and service is very much appreciated! We hope you both enjoy some well-deserved rest this summer!

June Oxcart Pantry

June kicks off barbecue season! This month, we will collect picnic condiments! Please put all donations in the green Oxcart Pantry bin under the stairs in Fellowship Hall.

Mayo

Mustard

Ketchup

Pickles

Relish

Barbecue Sauce

Steak Sauce

Worcestershire Sauce

Marinades

Miracle Whip

Ranch or Slaw Dressing

Prayerful Chair Yoga

Are you looking for a quiet time for reflection, words of wisdom, and small group prayer with movement and breathwork? Not sure, but curious? Join Claudia Taller for Prayerful Chair Yoga on Sunday mornings, June 11, 18, and 25, at 9:30 a.m. in the prayer room.

Hot Dog Social

Saturday, June 3

5 pm

6128 Christman Drive, North Olmsted

Would you like to eat hot dogs and play backyard games with your church family? Come to the Adult Fellowship Third Annual Hot Dog Social. Please bring a potluck dish to accompany the fresh-off-the-grill hot dogs. Sarah and Ron Jackson host this event at their home. RSVP to Sarah, please. We'd love to see you there! If you are able to help move tables and chairs from NOUMC and back again after the picnic, please let Sarah know when you RSVP.

Garden Help Needed

The Girl Scouts tended our main garden all last season adding new plants, weeding and maintenance. They have earned their badge and noted what plants returned this year. Now it is our turn to take care of maintaining our flower beds. If you would like to work with others, let me know the days and times you are available. If you would like to come on your own schedule, that would be great. First up will be the green leaves from the daffodils. As soon as they begin turning yellow and dying back, they need to be cut to the ground and discarded. Would you like to take care of this? There is always weeding, deadheading flowers and watering especially in dry times. Contact Charlene Vas.

Grandparent/Grandchild Vacation Bible School

Grandparents, you are invited to bring your younger grandchildren to our new summer VBS sessions! Spend some fun one-on-one time with your grandchildren as you hear a Bible story, engage in a craft or game, and enjoy a yummy snack together! Grandparents with older grandchildren are invited, too, to volunteer together in our sessions during games, craft & snack time! This is a hands-on experience, and grandparents should plan to stay the entire time. Our VBS Sessions will be held on June 21st, June 28th, and July 12th, from 10 AM - 12PM. If you would like to participate, or if you know of a grandparent who would like to participate with their grandchild, all are welcome! Also perfect for parents, aunts and uncles, or neighbors who would like to participate. If you are interested, please see Wendy, or email her at sundayschool@noumc.org.

"Seamless" Summer Adult 7 Week Bible Study Starts This Week!

Thursdays, June 1-July 13 11am

Join us as we take a broad overview of the Bible to discover how the 66 books of the Bible tell one seamless story, from Genesis to Revelation, about the God who made us, who loves us, and has a future planned for us! We will meet on Thursday mornings at 11AM, for about 2 hours each week, for 7 weeks, beginning on June 1st. The participation booklet cost is \$20. Please see Wendy or email her at sundayschool@noumc.org if you have questions or would like to sign up.

What is Pentecost?

On Pentecost Sunday, we remember the day the disciples received the Holy Spirit in a special way. The story in Acts 2 describes a powerful wind and tongues of fire as the Holy Spirit was poured out on people from all over the world who came to Jerusalem to celebrate a Jewish feast. At the first Pentecost over 3000 people were baptized, creating the first church. This is why Pentecost is known as the birthday of the Christian church.

The word Pentecost comes from a Greek word meaning fiftieth. The Jewish Festival of Pentecost (called *Shavuot*, meaning "weeks" in Hebrew) falls on the fiftieth day after the original Passover. On that day, God gave the Torah to Moses on Mount Sinai. The Christian festival of Pentecost falls on the 50th day after the resurrection of Jesus. Pentecost for Christians culminates the celebration and work of the church begun on Easter Day. In much of early Christianity, Easter Day (not Pentecost) became the primary day for baptisms. After their baptism, the newly baptized were then trained in basic Christian doctrine, including the meaning of the sacraments they had now experienced, as they prepared to take up their ministries in the life of the church. On Pentecost, Christians primarily celebrate the commissioning of new members into ministry. Some do this through services of confirmation on Pentecost. And still others have also, historically, offered baptism on Pentecost as well.

This Week's Gatherings

Trinity Sunday/Peace with Justice Sunday Service: June 4, 2023, 10:30 a.m., Sanctuary