

Welcome to North Olmsted United Methodist Church!

**Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost/Penny Sunday
August 18, 2024**

This Month's Penny Sunday: UM Appalachian Ministry

This month's Penny Sunday offering is for the United Methodist Appalachian Ministry Network. This is a non-profit organization whose goals are to alleviate the injustices impacting the lives of families in the Appalachia geographic region. Our donations cover needs such as hunger, poverty and environmental degradation. The Network builds and connects ministries, provides education and training, and grants funds to United Methodist churches, annual conferences, and organizations to directly address the needs of those in poverty.

RACE CARDS CONVERSATIONS: 6 WORDS. RACE. YOUR STORY. PLEASE SHARE.

Have you given us your card? Do you have more to share? You can use another card for another view and share on the back if you have more to say. The cards and collection box are still available in Fellowship Hall. If you want a deeper understanding, you might like to read "Our Hidden Conversations" by Michelle Norris.

Summer Salad & Ice Cream Sunday! *Sunday, September 8th Following Worship*

What 2 summer foods go great together???? Summer Salad AND Ice Cream!! A little healthy, followed by a treat – what could be better??!! Bring a bowl of your favorite summer salad to share and we'll supply the ice cream and fixings! Join us for some tasty salad and yummy ice cream!!!

Matchless Bible Study September 10th-November 4th Tuesday Evenings @ 7:30 PM

We talk about Jesus all the time, but do we really know...Who is He? Why did He come to earth? How can I know Him? We live in a world where there's a lot of confusion about Jesus. How can we know the truth? Learn Scripture in a way that's easy to understand, regardless of how long you've been studying the Bible. This study will deepen your understanding of Jesus through biblical, historical, and cultural insight and help you see Him less as an iconic figure and more as an intimate friend. Join us as we learn the story of our matchless Savior—His mission, miracles and message. This is a repeat of the study we did last fall in our Thursday AM class, for those who prefer our evening class. We will meet on Tuesday evenings at 7:30 PM, for 8 weeks, beginning on September 10th. The participation booklet cost is \$16. Sign up sheets are located on the sign-in table in Fellowship Hall. Please see Wendy or email her at sundayschool@noumc.org if you have questions or would like to sign up. Feel free to invite a friend!

Card Making Gathering

Join us for card making on September 7th! Sandra Andrews and Sharon Werner have designed a selection of cards for late summer and fall that can be customized for a variety of occasions. Card kits cost \$2.00 each and include all supplies except adhesive. Bring a double sided tape runner (can be purchased at the event) and a snack to share. Please call or email Sharon Werner for photos of the cards being offered and an order form.

Isaiah Adult Bible Study September 12th - October 24th Thursday's @ 11 AM

Isaiah was a prophet, God's mouthpiece to the nation of Judah. He challenges us, just as he challenged them, to rest in God's promises. In this study, we will learn to trust God for who He is and how He reveals Himself in Scripture. We will grow in understanding of the Book of Isaiah and its prophecies.

We will grasp how Jesus fulfills the promises in the Book of Isaiah.

And we will discover peace in God's commands, character, and comfort.

We will meet on Thursday mornings at 11 AM beginning on September 12th for 7 weeks. The participation booklet cost is \$22 and comes with video access. Sign up sheets are located on the sign-in table in Fellowship Hall. Please see Wendy, sundayschool@noumc.org, if you need more information or would like to sign up. Bring a friend!

Matthew 25 Sculpture Collection Tour

Did you know there are is a collection of statues spread throughout the Cleveland area that calls us to think about the less fortunate people in our city? The statues are called the "Matthew 25 Collection." There are 6 statues of Jesus, and each one represents one of the areas called out in the Gospel of Matthew to care for the least of our brothers and sisters in need. We are only the 2nd city in the world to have the full collection of these bronze figures. Your Christian Education Team would like to invite you to join us on September 14th as we tour the city in search of these sculptures! We will carpool to each statue, spending a bit of time to contemplate and take photos before moving on to the next statue. At the end of the tour, we will meet back at the church for an ice cream treat! The tour will begin at 11 AM. Sign up sheets will be available on the sign-in table in Fellowship Hall. Please indicate if you can be a driver and how many people you can transport. (Here is a link for more information: <https://www.communitywestfoundation.org/matthew25collection>) Please see Wendy or email her at sundayschool@noumc.org for more information. Friends are welcome to join us!

This Week's Happenings

SPRC Meeting: Monday, August 19, 6:30pm, Classroom 7

Book Bank: Tuesday, August 20, 1pm, Cleveland

Lay Leadership Meeting: Tuesday, August 20, 6:30pm, Classroom 7

14th Sunday after Pentecost Worship: Sunday, August 25, 10:30am, Sanctuary

Chair Yoga: Sunday, August 25, 11:30am, Fellowship Hall