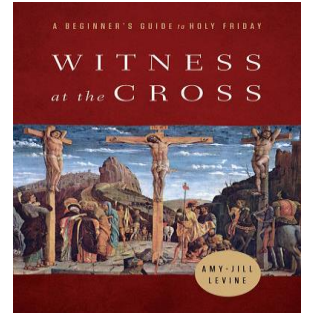


# Welcome to North Olmsted United Methodist Church!

**First Sunday of Lent  
March 9, 2025**

**Lent Adult Sunday School Class: March 9<sup>th</sup>  
Through Palm Sunday, April 13<sup>th</sup>  
“Witness at the Cross” by Amy-Jill Levine**



Experience Holy Friday from the perspective of those who watched Jesus die: Mary his mother; the Beloved Disciple from the Gospel of John; Mary Magdalene and the other women from Galilee; the two men, usually identified as thieves, crucified with Jesus; the centurion and the soldiers; Joseph of Arimathea and Nicodemus. Jews and Romans, friends and strangers, the powerful and the powerless, the hopeful and the despairing.

In “Witness at the Cross,” Amy-Jill Levine shows how the people at the cross each have distinct roles to play in the Gospels. For each, Jesus has a particular meaning and message, and from each, we learn how those meanings and messages cross the centuries to any who would come to the cross today. (Note: There is a book available from Cokesbury for anyone who would like to read it as we go through this study.)

## **Adult Lenten Outing: Tetelestai-Cleveland's Own Passion Play**

Join us on our latest adventure on Sunday March 30<sup>th</sup> at 2 PM as we travel to St Frances Xavier Cabrini Catholic Church in Loran to see the Gospel presented in visual form by the Cleveland Performing Arts Ministries! Admission is free; however free will offerings are greatly appreciated. Meet us there or carpool! Sign up sheets will be in Fellowship Hall on the sign-in table. Please see Wendy if you have any questions!

## **Lenten Adult Bible Study**

### **Body of Proof: A Study on the Resurrection of Jesus**

Please join us as we closely examine the events of Easter weekend, and learn four reasons why we can trust in the resurrection of Jesus as a historical fact and place our hope in Him! Tuesday evening classes will be held at 7:30 from March 25<sup>th</sup> through April 15<sup>th</sup>, and Thursday morning classes will be held at 11 AM from March 27<sup>th</sup> through April 17<sup>th</sup>. Study booklets are free of charge unless you would like to make a free will donation to the church. A sign up sheet will be available in Fellowship Hall on the sign-in table. Please see Wendy for further information!

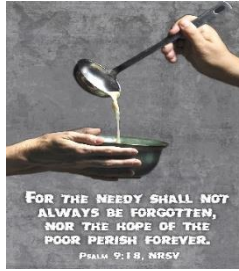
## **Easter Flower Sale**

Worship Team is taking orders for Easter Lilies, Hyacinths, Daffodils, Tulips, Martha Washington Geraniums, and Pansies to decorate our altar on Easter morning. Flower orders will be due on March 23<sup>rd</sup>. Order forms are available in Fellowship Hall. Please fold your payment into the order form and place it into the purple box or send them to Wendy's attention at the church. You may also email your order to Wendy at [sundayschool@noumc.org](mailto:sundayschool@noumc.org). Proceeds from the sale will support our Altar and Arts Team and be used to decorate our altar throughout the year. Flowers may be taken home after our Easter morning service!

## Oxcart Pantry Donations Needed:

### Soup and Stew

This month, we will be collecting canned soups and stews. Please leave donations in the green box in Fellowship Hall.



## Communion Volunteers Needed

The Worship team is in need of one or two volunteers to assist with preparing Communion on the first Sunday of each month. For more information, reach out to Alice Walsh or call the office. Thank you!



## Community Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 12th

Hunt Times: 1:00 and 2:00

Invite! Save The Date Cards available in Fellowship Hall  
See Wendy, Tammy, Sarah, Chris or Judi for further details!

### Egg Hunt Volunteer Opportunities Available:

#### 1. Plastic Egg and Candy Donations

We are accepting donations of plastic easter eggs and candy to fill those eggs with. Please be sure the candy is pre-packaged and small enough to fit into the eggs. Please

drop off any candy donations in the basket provided in Fellowship Hall, in the Christian Education mailbox or at the office. Please donate by March 30th.

#### 2. Egg Filling Day

On April 5th, we will gather at the church to fill our plastic eggs with candy and other goodies. Please look for times in future bulletins.

#### 3. Volunteers on Hunt Day

We welcome anyone who would like to join us on April 12th for our Easter egg hunt! Volunteers will be asked to help families check in, help children with the hunt, and help re-egg the lawn in between hunts. Please see Wendy, Tammy, Sarah, Chris or Judi for further information or to volunteer!

## This Week's Happenings

Pie/Pi Potluck: Sunday, March 9, 11:30 am, Fellowship Hall

Bible Study: Tuesday, March 11, 7:30 pm, Conversation Café

Bible Study: Thursday, March 13, 11 am, Conversation Café

Bell Choir: Thursday, March 13, 6:00 pm, Choir Room

Chancel Choir: Thursday, March 13, 7:00 pm, Choir Room

Adult Sunday School: Sunday, March 16, 9 am, Choir Room

2nd Sunday in Lent Service/Penny Sunday: Sunday, March 16, 10:30 am, Sanctuary