



# AGAPE

# Greek for “love without limits”

## A Letter From Pastor Hoyte

Dear Friends:

It has been a great honor to serve as your pastor over the past six years. I am forever blessed by your love and the ways we have teamed together to sustain and advance ministries in and beyond NOUMC. I will treasure my experiences with you as I live into new chapters of life and faith.

As I prepare to retire from full-time ministry, I thank you for the support and care you have given me and am grateful for the ways in which you have trusted me to be your leader. I am gracious for the relationships we built through pastoral care, worship, missions, and fellowship. Joy!

I also affirm and applaud the ways that you are preparing and planning to welcome your new pastor, Tennille Power. I am confident that Pastor Tennille will be a blessing to you and you to her.

Change is never easy, but there is much opportunity for growth in ministry through the emerging cooperative parish of NOUMC and Rockport. The “win-win” for both churches is very real as you retain your individual identities while discovering ways to maximize the giftedness of the people in each congregation, unite around a shared vision and mission for the future, and share your God-given financial resources.

It is important in the pastoral transition that healthy boundaries occur with Pastor Tennille and me. With this in mind, I want to share some of the ways in which this is happening and will continue to happen.

1. Pastor Tennille has been active in meeting together with the Staff Parish Relations Committees, the support staff, and leaders of NOUMC and Rockport. These meetings have been very positive interpersonally and practically as Pastor Tennille and the churches envision the beginning of their work together.
2. My email and cell phone will remain active; however, I will be using them for personal communication, only, and not for matters regarding ministry with NOUMC and Rockport as that will be the responsibility of Pastor Tennille and the laity of both churches.
3. I will not be present at the church for at least a year after June 27 unless invited by Pastor Tennille, at which time I would discern very carefully and prayerfully if it would be fitting for me to do so. While we will always remain connected in Christ, be mindful that Pastor Tennille is your new pastor. I trust that you will respect this and will receive her very openly, lovingly, and supportively as you did with me.

Thank you for understanding my desire for us to maintain these healthy boundaries and to respect Pastor Tennille's ministry with NOUMC and Rockport.

Concluding my full-time ministry at NOUMC after nearly 30 years of pastoring at six churches has been rewarding and priceless beyond measure and makes me smile! Please know that I will always love you and will keep you in my prayers for all the best in faithfulness as brothers and sisters in Christ.

Finally, I am excited about the ways God will bless your ministry with Pastor Tennille in the months and years to come.

Blessings and Peace,

Pastor Hoyte

## Worship Opportunities

**Worship With Us In-Person and Online on Sundays at 10:30 am**

DATE	GREETER(S)	LITURGIST	USHER(S)
<b>June 1</b>	Barb Andrews	John Wolter	Judi Wagner
<b>June 8</b>	Jean Scothon	Michelle Wolter	Sarah Jackson
<b>June 15</b>	Jim and Ellie Yager	Greg Lavelle	Liz Lavelle
<b>June 22</b>	Sarah Jackson	John Vas	Barb and Ron Clough
<b>June 29</b>	Barb Andrews	Barb Clough	Judi Wagner

## Congratulations to our Graduate!

Sydney Busser has graduated from Olmsted Falls High School with an honors diploma and receiving several local scholarships. Sydney will be attending Michigan State University in the fall and will be majoring in Animal Science. Sydney would like to become a veterinarian! Congratulations Sydney! Blessings and best wishes from all of us here at NOUMC!

## Summer Intergenerational VBS

**July 9th & 16th from 10:30 - 12:30 (Lunch Is Included!)**

Your Christian Education Team would like to invite you to bring your younger children, grandchildren, nieces and nephews, or any young children in your care to our Summer VBS sessions! Spend some fun one-on-one time with the young people in your life as you hear a Bible story, engage in a craft and a game, and get up and dance! This is a hands-on experience, and adults should plan to stay the entire time. We will be providing lunch for you and your children at the end of the AM sessions. We will be learning that when we are afraid, we can trust God (Psalm 56:3) and will be hearing the stories of Jacob's Ladder, Young Jesus In The Temple, and Phillip Explains The Good News. If you would like to participate, or if you have a relative, friend or neighbor who would like to participate with the children in their lives, please invite them....all are welcome! Invitation cards and a sign-up sheet can be found on the sign-in table in Fellowship Hall. If you have any questions, please see Wendy, call her at 450-454-4153, or email her at [sundayschool@noumc.org](mailto:sundayschool@noumc.org).

We will have our final business meeting in June and then none until September. If there is a project you could use help with, we could meet at the church at 10:00 before lunch. We will continue to have our Wednesday lunch throughout the summer. If you are free on a Wednesday around noon, we'd love to have you join us. Just check with a UWF member as to location and time. Meanwhile have a great summer.

## Mission News—From Barb Andrews



## New Worship Time

Rockport: 8:30 am and 9:30 am  
NOUMC: 11:00 am

# Prayer List



Jim Yager, lifted by Ellie Yager	Billy Ellis, brother of Sarah Jackson	Barb Bilas
Condolences to the family of Jonathan (the husband of Deb and Joel Chermonte's granddaughter, Marissa), on his passing	Jeannie Bradley, lifted by Barb Andrews	Pastor Tenille, in her transitioning

8:30pm AA



1	Ron & Amye Sabin	11	Sydney Busser	22	Wesley Weihrouch
1	Jennifer Gaydos	13	Walt Spalding	25	Sterling K. Bradley
3	Makena Chapman	14	Rebecca Weihrouch	25	Floyd & Barb Andrews
4	Asher Bernard	14	Ray & Barb Schurr	27	Hoyte & Terri Wilhelm
4	Barbara Andrews	14	Vann Preiss	27	John & Michelle Wolter
5	Matias Gonzalez	18	Mark & Virginia Steiger	29	Kara Mincik
7	Emily Jurecki	18	Shawn Mincik	30	Amy Cooper
9	Kara Quan & Christopher Homola				

# JUNE 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>1</b> 9am SS 10:30am Worship	<b>2</b> 8:30pm AA	<b>3</b> 12pm Nehemiah Dinner 7:30pm BS	<b>4</b> 10am UWF 8pm AA	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b> 9am SS 10:30am Worship/ Pentecost	<b>9</b> 8:30pm AA	<b>10</b> 7:30pm BS	<b>11</b> 7pm Christian Ed 8pm AA	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> 8:30am UMM Breakfast
<b>15</b> 9am SS 10:30am Worship Penny Sunday Father's Day	<b>16</b> 8:30pm AA	<b>17</b> 1pm Book Bank	<b>18</b> 8pm AA	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b> 9am SS 10:30am Worship 11:30 Retirement Luncheon	<b>23</b> 8:30pm AA	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> 8pm AA	<b>26</b> 4:30-5:30pm Community Meal	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b> 9am Sunday School 10:30am Worship	<b>30</b> 8:30pm AA					

**For the most up-to-date calendar, visit [www.noumc.org](http://www.noumc.org).**

*Please contact the church office ([office@noumc.org](mailto:office@noumc.org) or 440.779.6634)  
to add your meeting or gathering, virtual or in-person, to the church calendar.*

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### **Our Guiding Principles**

- We appreciate, invite and welcome people of all ages.
- We actively serve our neighbors in the North Olmsted community and the wider world.
- We provide varied opportunities for people to grow in their faith.
- We welcome and nurture a diverse congregation who become extended family.
- We foster lasting personal relationships, which are especially important in a digital world.

## **Free Community Meal (In-Person Only)**

***Thursday, June 26, 2025***

***4:30 pm - 5:30 pm***

***Fellowship Hall***

**Chicken Salad on Croissant, Chips, Fruit, Dessert, Beverage**

The Free Community Meal is a mission of North Olmsted United Methodist Church. All meals are funded by donations, and the dinners are prepared and served by volunteers. Menus may change because of donated food or food pricing. Additional volunteers are always welcome! If you would like more information, please contact us at 440-779-6634. *We are an accessible facility.*

A sign-up sheet for help with set-up, serving, and clean-up will be in Fellowship Hall. For more information, contact Chris Byrns at 440-732-5431.