

Welcome to North Olmsted United Methodist Church!

Third Sunday of Easter/Native American Sunday
May 4, 2025

WHAT IS NATIVE AMERICAN MINISTRIES SUNDAY?

United Methodists are called to recognize and honor the gifts and contributions made by Native Americans to our society and church. The United Methodist Church acknowledges a gap in understanding Native American life and culture, while affirming the sacredness of Indigenous peoples, their languages, their unique identities and their contributions to the church and the world.

Contributions help develop and strengthen Native American ministries within each United Methodist annual conference and provide scholarships for Native Americans pursuing ordained or licensed ministry.

Attention Graduates:

If you are a recent graduate (high school, college, technical school, online degree...etc.), we need your information by May 15th so we can honor you during worship! We will need your name, school, degree, and what you will be doing next. Please send all of your details to Wendy, sundayschool@noumc.org. We will be recognizing your achievements during worship on June 1st!

Trustees Work Day a Success!

Thank you to Craig, John, Char, Jean, Barb, Ed, Ron, Jim, Mike and Sarah! They collectively:

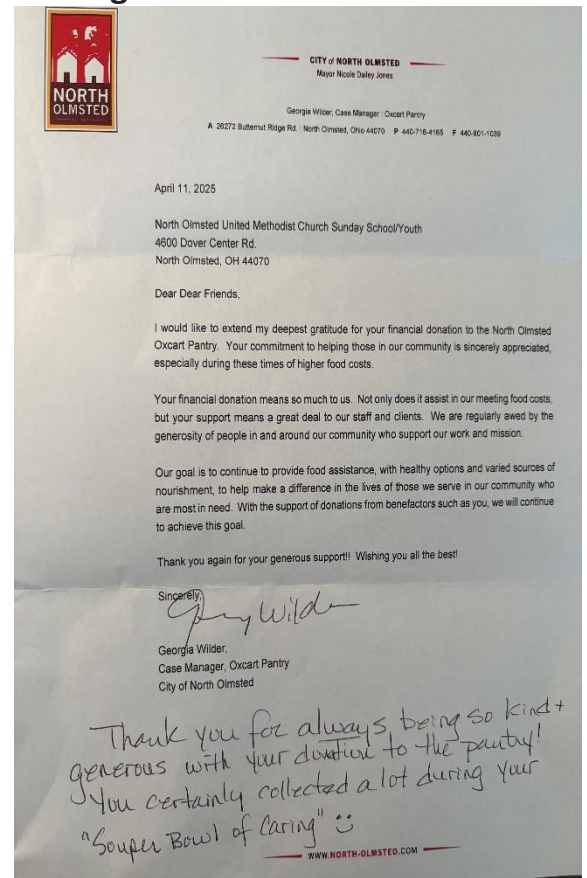
- Removed and stored the stained glass windows and memory plaques in preparation for new sanctuary windows
- Cleaned all the interior windows and screens
- Cleaned up the parking lot butterfly island
- Upgraded the last bathroom with an ADA compliant toilet
- Replaced all of the bathroom door stops with magnetic door stops
- Replaced one hallway light with a new LED light. (No jokes about how many Methodists it takes to change a lightbulb!)

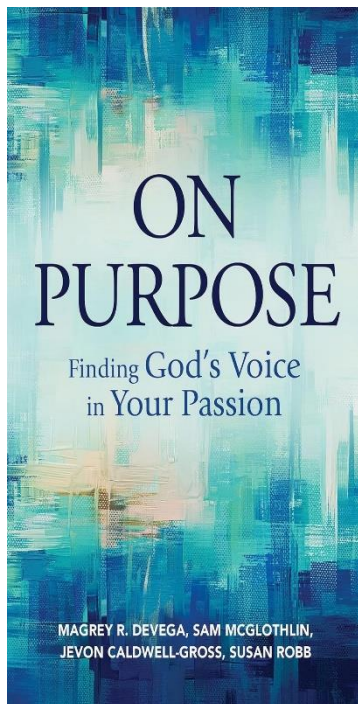
Thank you to everyone!



This month we will be collecting condiments and salad dressing. Please place in green box in Fellowship Hall.

A Big "Thank You" from Oxcart!





Adult Sunday School Bible Study Begins May 4th

We are hungry for a sense of purpose, direction, and calling in our lives. That's as basic an ingredient to the human experience as they come. We want to be part of something bigger than ourselves. We want to participate in something that has eternal merit and lasting impact. We do not want to live a shallow, hollow existence. We yearn for deeper meaning, for deeper purpose within our lives. We want to be more than we are.

"On Purpose: Finding God's Voice in Your Passion" is a four-part exploration of the spiritual principles that allow us to listen to God, discover our purpose and passion, join with others in the journey, and ultimately, make a difference in the world around us. As you study the book together with those in your small group, you will learn to minimize the barriers that prevent us from listening to God and recalibrate your spiritual lives to be more in tune with who God is and how God is calling you. You will discover that listening together, in the context of community, not only helps us be part of something bigger than ourselves: God will use us to have an impact in the world far greater than the sum of our parts.

Annual Conference News!

Did you know you can impact the world right from Annual Conference? By collecting items for Midwest Mission, **your congregation can bring life-changing items to people in need around the world, without leaving Ohio.**

A wheelchair that was previously collecting dust in a storage room, could empower someone like Luis*, who was dependent on his family to move him around the house. He couldn't even get to the bathroom on his own! But, **with a wheelchair donated by someone like YOU, he has dignity, independence, and hope for his future!**

Medical supplies that we might consider "old" can be life changing for people like Luis. Your wheelchairs, walkers, canes, crutches, and other orthopedic supplies (like boots, splints, and braces), are desperately needed. Bring them to annual conference, and allow Midwest Mission to be the conduit to people around the world, **giving a second life to your medical supplies.**

EAST OHIO

MISSION COLLECTION



We will collect items for Midwest Mission during the 2025 Conference. These life-changing items will go to people in need, both globally and locally. **Join us in making a global impact from right here in East Ohio!**

WHAT TO COLLECT

HOME CARE KITS

- liquid household cleaner - 56-80 oz. total (no spray bottles)
- dish soap - 42-64 oz.
- liquid laundry detergent - 100-150 oz. total
- 1 scrub brush
- 1 five-gallon round bucket with reusable lid

MOST-NEEDED ITEMS

- Gently used: wheelchairs, walkers, canes, crutches, splints, braces, boots
- Onesies and Sleepers - 0-6 months
- Contractor trash bags (2 mil-)
- Reusable Day and Night Pads (pattern at midwestmission.org/patterns)

PERSONAL DIGNITY KITS

- 1 hand towel - no kitchen towels
- 1 washcloth - no dishcloths
- 1 toothbrush (no multipacks)
- 1 bar soap - 3-4 oz.
- 1 shampoo - 12-18 oz.
- 1 deodorant - 2-3 oz. (stick, roll-on, or pump)
- 1 lotion - 8-10 oz.
- 1 one-gallon resealable plastic bag
- \$2 donation for toothpaste and carrying bag

Drop-Off Details

The Midwest Mission Truck will be located at the College of Wooster on **Thursday, June 12 from noon-8pm** and **Friday, June 13 from 8am-5pm.**

Find Kit lists and instructions at midwestmission.org/kits

OTHER ITEMS

Anything listed in the Kits and Projects Brochure will be accepted (scan QR code). This includes items like orthopedic medical supplies, canes, crutches, walkers, specific handmade items, other Midwest Mission Kits, and electric sewing machines.

This Week's Happenings

"Isaiah" Bible Study: Tuesday, May 6, 7:30 pm, Conversation Cafe

UWF: Wednesday, May 7, 10:00 am, Classroom 7

Christian Ed: Wednesday, May 7, 7:00 pm, Classroom 7

Finance Committee: Thursday, May 8, 6:00 pm, Classroom 7

Chancel Choir: Thursday, May 8, 7:00 pm, Choir Room

UMM Breakfast: Saturday, May 10, 8:30 am, Canary's Restaurant

Fourth Sunday of Easter/Mother's Day: Sunday, May 11, 10:30 am, Sanctuary

Birthday Celebration: Sunday, May 11, 11:30 am, Fellowship Hall