



# AGAPE

# Greek for “love without limits”

## A Letter From Pastor Tennille

Hello Church Family! I, along with my husband, Bryant, am so honored and excited to begin this journey with you as your new pastor. I am passionate about building community, sharing God's Word, and walking alongside each of you in faith and service.

I look forward to getting know each of you and your families, worshiping together, serving together, and discovering all the ways God is calling us to grow! My door and heart are always open!

Pastor Tennille and Bryant Alexander

## Get to Know Pastor Tennille!

### Family:

Husband: Bryant Alexander

Children: Kamaal (age 26), Amar (age 24), Jayvyn (age 21)

### Hobbies:

Yoga, reading, travel, walks, road trips

### Service:

East Ohio Conference of the UMC—Anti-Racism Team and COSROW

Heartland Networks of Ohio—Pro-Racial Equity Team

Lorain County Urban League

Elyria Rotary

Junior League of Cleveland

National Council of 100 Black Women, Greater Cleveland Chapter

Top Ladies of Distinction, Greater Cleveland Chapter—Chaplain

National Council of Negro Women—Chaplain

### Passions:

Womanist Theology and Gender issues; marrying theology and psychology, specifically working with clients and congregants around trauma.

## Worship Opportunities

Worship With Us In-Person and Online on Sundays at 11:00 am

DATE	GREETER(S)	LITURGIST	USHER(S)
July 6	Sarah Jackson	John Vas	Sarah Jackson
July 13	Jean Scothon	Alice Walsh	Liz Lavelle
July 20	John and Char Vas	Barb Clough	Barb and Ron Clough
July 27	Jim and Ellie Yager	Michelle Wolter	Judi Wagner



## Summer Intergenerational VBS

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

July 23 from 2:00 - 4:00

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).

## UWF News—From Barb Andrews

We are footloose and fancy free for the summer. We will be going to lunch every Wednesday for the summer and only work at the church if you find a job that we can help with. Next meeting will be September 3. If you'd like to join us for lunch and to solve all the problems of the world (thinking optimistically), just let us know and we'll tell you where we are headed on Wednesday.

The next thing on our working agenda will include another eat-out and we pick up a portion of your purchase price. Keep an eye out for the coupon with the date and place. We are taking reservations for our Church Mouse Craft Fair on October 11. Ask Judi Wagner or Barb Andrews for information about the show.

## Mission News—From Barb Andrews

We got the summer off to a good start. We donated 58 condiments and salad dressings to the Oxcart Pantry. Georgia suggests that this month they could use school supplies. Going along with that, we will also make school supplies the items of the month at Penny Sunday. It seems we've just stopped being thankful for not having to slow for buses or school zones, and now need to get the backpacks full of school supplies to help give many kids a start off equally as prepared as their classmates. Supplies can be things like crayons for kindergarteners to theme books for highschoolers and anything in between that some kid can use for school. Items can be left in the green container in Fellowship Hall. You can help make school a little less of a hassle for some children.

### School Supplies Needed for Oxcart

Please place in green container in Fellowship Hall.

### New Worship Time Starts July 6th

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 Gwen Hinckley, on her passing	Jeannie Bradley, lifted by Barb Andrews	Mike, grandson, and family of Bev Hixon
Tom O'Shaughnessy, lifted by Guylene Harold	Bobby, brother of Ed Brewster	Alex, lifted by Carolyn Bernard



3	Sandra Andrews	10	Ray & Jane Burnett	16	Leslie & Neil Dilley
4	Donald Jackson	12	Jeff Riddlebaugh	18	Gabriela Martinez
5	Neil Dilley	12	Frank O'Dell	22	Mary Lou Fitzgerald
8	Tammy Moore	13	JoAnn & Larry Criss-Krejci	24	Kelly Benko
8	Paul Taller	14	Rae Spalding	28	Jane Burnett

# JULY 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 10am UWF 8pm AA	3	4	5
6 11am Worship	7 8:30pm AA	8	9 10:30am VBS 8pm AA	10	11	12 8:30am UMM Breakfast
13 11am Worship	14 8:30pm AA	15 1pm Book Bank	16 10:30am VBS 8pm AA	17	18 6-8pm Habitat House	19 8am-8pm Habitat House
20 Penny Sunday 11am Worship	21 8:30pm AA	22	23 2pm VBS 8pm AA	24	25	26
27 11am Worship	28 8:30pm AA	29	30 8pm AA	31 4:30-5:30pm Community Meal		

**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, July 31, 2025***

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

***Fellowship Hall***

**Pizza, Salad, 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.